

Hitchcock Independent School District
Special Called Meeting/ Board Training Session
Thursday, June 7, 2007

The Hitchcock Independent School District Board of Trustees met at a Special Called Meeting/Board Training Session on Thursday, June 7, 2007, at the Boardroom/Conference Facility located at 8004 North Railroad, Hitchcock, Texas. President Monica Cantrell called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

Present Monica Cantrell, President; Tom Ivey, Vice President; Pat Turner, Member; Ted Robinson, Jr., Member; Shirley Price, Member

Late Arrival Estelle Holmes, Secretary, arrived at 6:40 PM

Others Mike Bergman, Superintendent; Bob Thompson, Trainer

Call to Order Monica Cantrell, President, called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM; announced the presence of a quorum and stated that the meeting had been duly called and the notice had been posted in the manner prescribed by law.

Report/Information from the Superintendent

State of the District Report

Dr. Bergman presented the State of the District Report [see attached] based on the Board goals for the 2006-2007 school year.

Items the Board would like addressed:

- Academic Goals
 - Address student issues directly with the students in class meetings
 - Improve notification to parents of school issues and events
 - Teach students responsibility
- Attendance
 - Develop an incentive plan to help booster attendance
 - Present quarterly reports to the Board on attendance or send weekly attendance reports to Board in the Board-FYI
 - Present attendance plan to Board
- Raise student expectations
- Bus route on Beiring and Redfish – present report at the regular June meeting

- Facilities:
 - Bus drop off and pick up at Stewart Elementary School
- Extra-Curricular/Co-Curricular
 - Address dress code for all students and coaches. Instill a sense of pride. The students and coaches should dress in the same colors and look like they are a part of Hitchcock
 - Address dress code for all events
 - Encourage coaches to recruit students for extra-curricular activities
 - Encourage teachers to help sponsor UIL Academic Events and to encourage students to participate.
 - Hold Parents Night
 - Expand vocational programs: Homemaking and Construction Trades
 - Do a survey of students to see what vocational programs they would be interested in taking.
 - Look at doing an extended year for vocational programs
 - Have career counseling at each campus. Every student should have a career plan
- Communication
 - Send notes and cards to students, teachers
 - More correspondence

Bond /Construction Issues

Dr. Bergman presented *Bond Election Strategy: Essential Elements for Election Success* to the Board for their review and information. Consider looking at a May 2008 Bond Election. Additional information will be presented at the Regular meeting.

Board Training with Dr. Bob Thompson

Dr. Bob Thompson, Trainer, led the discussion on developing the Board goals for the 2007-2008 school year.

The following goals were set for the 2007-2008 school year:

1. Student attendance at each campus will be 96% for the 2007-2008 school.
2. Academic Advancement—All campuses will be Recognized by August 1, 2009.
 - a. Stewart Elementary School will maintain its 2007 Recognized Status

- b. Crosby Middle School will become Recognized by August 1, 2009
- c. Hitchcock High School will become Recognized by August 1, 2009

3. Communication

- a. Organize Key Communicators Committee
- b. Monthly superintendent's newsletters
- c. District newsletter published each semester for residents in all zip codes within the Hitchcock ISD boundary with the first newsletter published in October 2007.
- d. Paid news advertisements
- e. District brochure

The goals will be presented at the Regular June meeting for approval.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Pat Turner and seconded by Shirley Price to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda J. Taylor

Monica Cantrell, President

Estelle Holmes, Secretary