

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Tidehaven Independent School District

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Tidehaven Independent School District was held December 14, 2009, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Administration Building, at the intersection of Hwy. 35 and FM 1095, El Maton, Texas.

1. Call to Order
2. Announcements by the Board President whether a quorum is present, that the meeting has been duly called, and notice of the public meeting has been posted for the time and manner required by law.
A quorum was present with the following trustees were in attendance: Stephen Clontz, Steven Kaspar, Robert Dannels, Lee Edward Pierce, Eric Saha and Robbie Galvan. Board member David Webernick was not in attendance. Also present were Supt. Dr. Suzanne Wesson, Admin. Asst. Debra Taska, Kathy Boyett, Jean May, Bill Foley, Doris Streams, Randy Streams and Linda Griffith.
3. Welcome Comments from Guests and Visitors: President Clontz opened the meeting and welcomed comments from guests and visitors. There were no comments, so President Clontz moved on to Reports.
4. Reports
 - A. Board Notes on Items Listed Below
 - B. Academics/Athletics/Extra-Curricular
Dr. Wesson reported that semester exams would be taking place this week at the Jr. High and High School campuses. The Christmas Band concert was well attended and quite festive. Three students made the All-Region Band as a result of their performance at the contest held Saturday in Edna. The elementary campuses competed at the UIL contest in Boling Saturday and Dr. Wesson reported that the event was very well organized.

- C. Facilities/Maintenance
Dr. Wesson reported that the roof in the girls' gym locker room and Blessing Elementary had a few leaks. Parson and Jaco have been out to fix them. Dr. Wesson extended special thanks to the bus drivers and Mike Galvan and Johnny Velasquez for all their help in safely transporting the students to and from school in the inclement weather.
 - D. Enrollment
Our enrollment is up to 816 students.
 - E. Revenues
An update on revenues was included in the board packet.
 - F. Quarterly Report (Ending 9-30-2009)
The quarterly report ending September 30, 2009 was reviewed.
 - G. Board Member Training-Team of Nine Training-February 1st or 9th, 2010
 - H. Christmas Luncheon on Tuesday, December 15, 2009 at 11:30 a.m.
 - I. UIL Update
Ms. Linda Alderson had a report detailing her UIL related activities.
 - J. Matagorda County Appraisal District Board of Director Results
5. Action and/or Discussion Items
- A. Board Notes on Items Listed Below
 - B. Approve 2010-2011 School Calendar
Mr. Kaspar made a motion to adopt Calendar A which was the calendar chosen by the campuses. Mr. Pierce seconded the motion and a unanimous vote followed.
 - C. Textbook Committees
Mr. Kaspar made a motion to approve the textbook committee members. Mr. Saha seconded the motion and a unanimous vote followed.
 - D. Technology Request
Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve the technology request for \$42,000. Mr. Dannels seconded the motion and a unanimous vote followed.
 - E. NCLB Highly Qualified Report
Dr. Wesson reported the district is employing 100% Highly Qualified staff this year.
 - F. Reading of Board Members' Hours of Continuing Education
President Clontz read each Board members hours of continuing education. Please see attached.

- G. Approval of Walsh, Anderson, Brown, Aldridge, and Gallegos Retainer
Mr. Kaspar made a motion to approve the retainer for Walsh, Anderson, Brown, Aldridge and Gallegos. Mr. Saha seconded the motion and a unanimous voted followed.
- H. Matagorda County Education Services (MCES)
1. Special Education IDEA-Part B Funds
Dr. Wesson informed the Board that the District has approximately \$150,000 in Special Education IDEA Part B funds to spend. Dr. Wesson emphasized that the money comes with an excessive amount of documentation and monitoring.
 2. State Performance Plan (SPP) Error and Corrective Action Plan by MCES
The Board was also informed of the corrective action plan that MCES submitted on the District's behalf. This plan is a result of the former MCES director inadvertently failing to submit mandatory reports for the District. The new interim director has worked out a plan with TEA in an attempt to get the District in compliance.
- I. State Fiscal Stabilization Funds (SFSF)
Dr. Wesson briefed the Board on the status of the District's State Fiscal Stabilization Funds (SFSF). The Board was informed Davis-Bacon Act, Made-in-America stipulations and job creation and retention criteria that the funds require.
- J. Purchase of Truck for Maintenance Department
Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve the purchase of a truck for the Maintenance department. Mr. Kaspar seconded the motion and a unanimous vote followed.
- K. Policy Update 86
1. CFD (LOCAL) ACCOUNTING ACTIVITY FUNDS MANAGEMENT
 2. CLB (LOCAL) BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT MAINTENANCE
 3. CV (LOCAL) FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION
 4. DGBA (LOCAL) PERSONNEL-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS EMPLOYEE COMPLAINTS/GREIVANCES
 5. EIA (LOCAL) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT GRADING/PROGRESS REPORTS TO PARENTS
 6. EIE (LOCAL) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT RETENTION AND PROMOTION
 7. EIF (LOCAL) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT GRADUATION

8. FDD (LOCAL) ADMISSIONS MILITARY DEPENDENTS
9. FDE (LOCAL) ADMISSIONS SCHOOL SAFETY TRANSFERS
10. FEA (LOCAL) ATTENDANCE COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE
11. FEC (LOCAL) ATTENDANCE ATTENDANCE FOR CREDIT
12. FFAD (LOCAL) WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Mr. Dannels made a motion to approve as presented by the Superintendent with the following changes: CFD (LOCAL) to include at the end of the second sentence of District and Campus Activities Funds:....”which includes without limitation recruiting and retaining qualified employees and enhancing employee morale. Thus, these funds may properly be expended for small gifts, plaques, flowers for funerals, weddings or retirements, staff appreciation luncheons, and similar activities.” EIA (local) will not be adopted. In EIF local, the Vocational Adjustment Class Requirements will remain in the local policy. Mr. Kaspar seconded the motion and a unanimous vote followed.

L. Superintendent's Evaluation

The superintendent's evaluation was held during closed session.

6. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the November 9, 2009 Board Workshop and Regular Meeting
- B. Payment of Bills
- C. Transfer Students for the 2009-2010 School Year (None)
- D. Acceptance of Donation for D.A.R.E. Program from Matagorda County United Way
- E. Acceptance of Donation from Matagorda County Farm Bureau for Ag Program
- F. Investment Report

Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Kaspar seconded the motion and a unanimous vote followed.

7. Adjournment to a Closed Session
The Board adjourned into Closed Session at 7:45 p.m.
For the purpose of consideration of matters for which closed or executive sessions are authorized by the Title 5, Chapter 551, Texas Govt. Code Sections .0710-.0840, where upon the Superintendent, at the request of the President of the Board of Education, will present for the Board's consideration or discussion the following matters:
 - A. Personnel
 1. Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, leave of absence, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee (Tex. Gov't. Code 551.074)
 - B. District Security
 - C. Property Status on Purchase and Future Usage State Highway 35 and FM 1095
8. Reconvene in Open Session
The Board Reconvened in Open Session at 8:50 p.m.
9. Consider Items Discussed in Closed Session
No action was taken as a result of closed session.
10. Items for Future Board Meetings
 - A. Public Hearing, AEIS, PBMAS, AYP, School Report Card January 11, 2010. Additional items include the Superintendent's Contract, a three year plan for athletic facilities, District audit and discussion for a possible November Bond Election.
11. Adjourn
Mr. Pierce made a motion to adjourn at 8:52 p.m. Mr. Saha seconded the motion and a unanimous vote followed. The meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST: _____
Secretary of Board

APPROVED: _____
President of Board