

State of Texas:

August 10, 2009
Minutes of the Board Workshop
of the Tidehaven Independent
School District

County of Matagorda:

The Board of Trustees of the Tidehaven ISD met on Monday night, August 10, 2009, at 6:04 p.m. in the Tidehaven ISD Admin. Building at the intersection of Hwy 35 and FM 1095 in El Maton, TX 77440.

The following trustees were in attendance: Steven Kaspar, Lee Edward Pierce, Robert Dannels and Robbie Galvan. Board members Steve Clontz, David Webernick and Eric Saha were not in attendance. Also present were Supt. Dr. Suzanne Wesson, Admin. Assistant, Debra Taska, Darrell Tolson, Kim Marceaux, Jean May, Jim Sides and Mattie Roe. At 6:04 p.m. Vice-President Kaspar opened the workshop and welcomed comments from guests/visitors. Dr. Wesson praised Mattie Roe for her assistance with the budget. The workshop moved to the next item on the agenda which was a discussion of the assumptions used for 2009-10 budget calculations. Dr. Wesson informed the Board that this was a working document as templates are still coming out. Each new template changes the funding. A 97% tax collection rate, 780 student enrollment and an average daily attendance of 773 were used in the tax rate calculation. Dr. Wesson emphasized the decreased enrollment trend which also affects the budget. The proposed 2009-10 budget and proposed tax rate form were then reviewed. Dr. Wesson reviewed the budget by fund and function. Dr. Wesson informed the Board that the amount budgeted for utilities had increased 10%, as well as a significant increase in insurance premiums. Supt. Wesson reviewed the Stimulus money and how it will be budgeted. She noted that the mandated \$800 raise for select professional staff actually calculated out to be \$1005. Districts are required to use the greater amount. Stimulus money will only be federally funded for two years. The proposed tax rate is \$1.035000. She explained that each penny would raise approximately \$51,285. Dr. Wesson reported that the estimated recapture amount is \$677,455.

Upon completion of the proposed budget discussion, the workshop ended at 6:43 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Secretary of Board

APPROVED: _____
President of Board