

Minutes of Special/Regular Board Meeting – Oct. 25, 2010

The Board of Trustees West Orange-Cove CISD

A Regular of the Board of Trustees of West Orange-Cove CISD was held Monday, October 25, 2010, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 505 N. 15th St. Orange, Texas 77630.

I. PUBLIC MEETING – Opened at 6:00 p.m.

- A. First Rating Information – **Melinda James gave an overview of the First Rating, which we received an Above Standard Achievement.**

No questions were asked from the public.

II. Adjourned: 6:05 p.m.

III. Routine Business

- A. Call To Order – Pete Amy
- B. Invocation – Pete Amy
- C. Pledge of Allegiance - All
- D. Certification of Notice – Pete Amy

IV. Audience with Patrons (limited to 5 minutes per patron)

Persons wishing to participate in this portion of the meeting reserved for that purpose were required to sign up as they arrive and to indicate the topic about which they wish to speak.

Cymenthia Rogers asked several questions on the status of the superintendent search.

School Board Members Present: Pete Amy, Eric Mitchell, Ricky Jacobs, Andrew Hayes, Dr. Mary Fontenot Hardin (arrived at 6:05 p.m.), Rev. Hardy O’Neal and Harry Barclay

School Attorney George Barron – Absent

School Personnel Present: Bill Conway, Margaret Duchamp, Jane Stephenson, Melinda James, Hutcherson Hill, Travis McKelvain, Benny Smith, James Acker, Michael Cascio, Michelle Duhon, Bettie Curtis, Greg Willis, Elvis Rushing, Carmen Purgahn & Bonnie Tegge

V. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Conway stated the following:

Principals were trained on the Eduphoria, this is a PDAS and walk through rated software that teachers have access to immediately after the appraisal.

Snap-shot date is Friday, October 29, 2010

We recently completed a 100% highly qualified staff that was sent to the state.

The auditors have all of their information and they should report in November.

VI. CIT Report (Sandra Ellington)

A. District Report

B. High School Report

Ms. Ellington gave an overview of the data collected on the District and High school campus for 2009/2010 and earlier.

VII. Approval of Consent Agenda Items:

A. Action Items:

1. Board Minutes

a. September 20, 2010 - Called

b. September 27, 2010 - Regular

2. Budget Amendments

Eric Mitchell motioned to approve the consent agenda items as presented

Ricky Jacobs seconded the motion

Motion passes unanimously

VIII. Finance (Melinda James)

A. Information/Discussion Items

1. Financial Statements

a. General Operating Funds

b. Student Nutrition Fund

c. Debt Service

2. Tax Collection

3. Check Register September 2010

4. Head Start

IX. Instruction - (Jane Stephenson)

- A. Information Item:
 - 1. Benchmark Report

Jane Stephenson gave an overview of the benchmark report

X. Policy - (Margaret Duchamp)

- A. Action Item:
 - 1. Approval of Policy Update 88

**Eric Mitchell motioned to approve the Policy Update 88 as presented
Ricky Jacobs seconded the motion
Motion passes unanimously**

Board convened to closed session at 7:32 p.m.

- XI. The open session of the meeting will adjourn. The Board of Trustees will reconvene in closed session for the following purposes.
 - A. Discussion for the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's Attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law.(Tex.Govt.Code 551.071)
 - B. Teachers and Administrators (Tex.Gov't Code 551.074)
 - 1. Discussion of Selection/Employment
 - 2. Discussion of Evaluation
 - 3. Reassignment and Resignations
 - 4. Duties
 - 5. Discipline
 - 6. Discussion of Termination
 - 7. Discussion of Superintendent Interviews
 - C. Discussion of Discipline of Students (Tex.Govt. Code 551.082)
 - D. Discuss other matters as authorized by (Tex.Govt.Code 551.071-551.084)
 - E. Paraprofessional, Support Staff, and Personnel (Tex. Govt. Code 551.074)
- XII. The Board of Trustees will reconvene in open session for action to be taken on items discussed in closed session and open session items.

**Board reconvened to open session at 7:45 p.m.
Pete Amy stated that no actions were taken in closed session.**

XIII. Personnel - (Margaret Duchamp)

- A. Information Item:
 - 1. Resignations

B. Action Items:

1. Approval of Substitute List
2. Approval of Contractual Staff

Ricky Jacobs motioned to approve the substitute list and the contractual staff list.

Eric Mitchell seconded the motion

Motion passes unanimously

Pete Amy stated that the Board will reconvene to closed session again at 7:46 p.m.

Board reconvened to open session at 8:56 p.m.

Pete Amy stated that no actions were taken in closed session

XIV. Adjourn: 8:56 p.m