

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees
Keller Independent School District

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Keller Independent School District was held October 22, 2007, beginning at 6:30 PM in The Education Center, 350 Keller Parkway, Keller, Texas.

Members Present: Robert Apetz, Cindy Lotton, Dr. David Farmer, Scott Brown, Lara Lee Hogg, Kevin Stevenson

Members Absent: Jason Wylie

Superintendent: James R. Veitenheimer

Attorney: Thomas E. Myers

1. 6:35 PM CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledges of Allegiance were led by former students from Mr. Grant Simpson's classes at Hidden Lakes Elementary.

3. AWARDS/ACHIEVEMENTS

A. Grant Simpson, State Elementary Teacher of the Year

Award presentations for Grant Simpson, 2008 State Elementary Teacher of the Year, included a proclamation from Pat McGrail, Mayor of the City of Keller, a resolution from State Representative Vicki Truitt, a state flag and certificate from Brooke Hambrick, representative from Senator Jane Nelson's office, a \$2500 check from the Texas Rangers Ball Club, a basket of items donated by the community, and the use of a 2008 Jeep Wrangler Sahara for the remainder of the school year courtesy of Wes Harrison, President and General Manager of Allen Samuels Chrysler Jeep.

4. AUDIENCE WITH INDIVIDUALS

Mark Rosenblatt addressed the Board concerning grades at Central High School and staph infections. Julie Wildridge addressed the Board concerning high school boundaries.

5. 7:25 PM EXECUTIVE SESSION was called for the purposes permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 through 551.146. Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters (Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, Dismissal, Complaint)

6. 7:40 PM RECONVENED INTO OPEN SESSION

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Safeguarding our Youth Forum

The KISD Counseling Department will be hosting a "Safeguarding Our Youth" Forum on Thursday, October 25, from 6:30 – 8:30 PM in the Board Room. The program's featured speaker will be Frank Zenere, school psychologist and crisis management specialist for Miami-Dade County Public Schools, the fourth largest school district in the country. Topics of discussion will include suicide prevention, addictions, media influence, substance abuse, and law enforcement. Panelists for the program include Keller Police Chief, Mark Hafner, and Fort Worth Police Chief, Ralph Mendoza.

Dr. Veitenheimer reported that KISD enrollment as of Friday, October 19 is 30,037 students.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes
- B. Approval of Employment Recommendations
- C. Approval of Calendar for Adopting Textbooks/Textbook Committee
- D. Approval of 4H Resolution/Adjunct Faculty Agreement
- E. Approval of Policy Update 81 and Other Local Policies - FB
- F. Approval of Budget Amendments
- G. Approval of Bids/Bid Renewals
- H. Approval of Construction Manager at Risk for Trinity Springs Middle School Addition

Dr. Farmer moved, seconded by Mr. Brown, to approve consent agenda items 8A, 8C, 8D, 8E, 8F, and 8G as presented. Items 8B and 8H were pulled and moved to action item 9B.

9. ACTION

- A. Approval of Purchases Exceeding \$15,000

Mrs. Hogg moved, seconded by Mrs. Lotton, to approve the purchases exceeding \$15,000 as presented. Motion carried 6/0.

- B. Consideration of Items Pulled from Consent Agenda (if applicable)

Item 8B – Approval of Employment Recommendations

Mr. Stevenson moved, seconded by Dr. Farmer, to approve the employment recommendations as presented including the employment of Mr. George Brown as assistant principal at Trinity Meadows Intermediate School. Motion carried 6/0.

Item 8H – Approval of Construction Manager at Risk for Trinity Springs Middle School Addition

Mrs. Lotton moved, seconded by Mrs. Hogg, to approve the Construction Manager at Risk contract with Steele-Freeman, Inc. for construction of the Trinity Springs Middle School addition as presented. Motion carried 6/0.

10. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

- A. Guaranteed Maximum Price for New High School #4 - Package 1 - Rough Grading and Crawlspace Drainage

Mr. Stevenson moved, seconded by Mr. Brown, to approve \$1,397,406 as the guaranteed maximum price for rough grading and drainage work at High School #4. Motion carried 6/0.

- B. Guaranteed Maximum Price for New Elementary School #20 and #21 - Phase 1

Dr. Farmer moved, seconded by Mr. Brown, to approve \$13,636,514 as the Guaranteed Maximum Price for elementary #20 and \$2,112,106 for the site package for elementary #21 as presented. Motion carried 6/0.

11. REPORTS

No reports were presented.

12. WORK SESSION/DISCUSSION

- A. High School Boundaries

Dr. Veitenheimer and Bob Templeton led the high school boundary discussion. The Board directed administration to bring back one recommendation for their consideration as an action item on the November 12 Board agenda.

- B. Campus Planning Carousel

Karin Holacka led the Board and campus principals in a campus planning carousel that provided an opportunity for principals to share highlights from their campuses with their assigned Board member.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION for the purposes permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 through 551.146 was not called.

14. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – N/A

15. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Farmer moved, seconded by Mr. Brown, for adjournment at 9:25 PM. Motion carried 6/0.

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Kevin Stevenson, Acting Secretary

Robert L. Apetz, President