

# Minutes of Regular Board Meeting on November 17, 2014

## The Board of Trustees West Orange-Cove CISD

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A Regular of the Board of Trustees of West Orange-Cove CISD was held Monday, November 17, 2014, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 902 W. Park Ave. Orange, Texas 77630.

### I. Routine Business

- A. Call To Order at 7:30 p.m. by Pete Amy
- B. Certification of Notice – Pete Amy
- C. Pledge of Allegiance - All
- D. Certification of Notice

Board Members Present: Pete Amy, Eric Mitchell, Ruth Hancock, Bryan Thomas Muhammad, Sarah Jefferson Simon & Nathaniel Colbert

Board Member Absent: Rev. Hardy O'Neal

Board Attorney Present: George Barron

School Personnel Present: James Colbert, Dr. Wayne Guidry, Anitrea Goodwin, Melinda James, Dr. Silvia Martinez, Anthony Moten, Sherry Hardin, Dr. Tyrus Doctor, Rod Anderson, Elvis Rushing, Beverly Robinson & Bonnie Tegge

### II. 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.

None

### III. Superintendent's Report - (James Colbert)

**Mr. Colbert stated that this would be his last board meeting as Superintendent of West Orange-Cove CISD and that he wanted to thank the Executive Leadership Team including Dr. Brant Graham and all the campus principals for doing an outstanding job. Next the Board of Trustees for having the courage to make radical decision to put the district in good standings. He also wanted to thank Bonnie Tegge for doing an exceptional job and for being so trust worthy.**

### IV. Action Items:

- A. Approval of Consent Agenda Items:

1. Budget Amendments (Melinda James)
2. Board Meeting Minutes as follows: (Bonnie Tegge)
  - a. October 20, 2014 - Called
  - b. October 27, 2014 – Regular

Eric Mitchell motioned to approve the consent agenda items as presented  
Ruth Hancock seconded the motion  
Motion passes unanimously

## **V. Finance (Melinda James)**

### **A. Information/Discussion Items:**

1. Financial Statements
  - a. General Operating Funds
  - b. Student Nutrition Fund
  - c. Debt Service
  - d. Check Register
  - e. Tax Collection
    - (1) Tax Collection 2013
    - (2) Tax Collection 2014
  - f. Investment Report
  - g. Head Start

### **B. Action Items:**

1. Approval to Reject Fuel Bids (Melinda James)

Bryan Thomas Muhammad motioned to approve the rejection of the fuel bids  
Eric Mitchell seconded the motion  
Motion passes unanimously

2. Approval to use Buy Board Vendor for Fuel (Melinda James)

Bryan Thomas Muhammad motion to approve the use of Buy Board Vendors for fuel  
Sarah Jefferson Simon seconded the motion  
Motion passes unanimously

3. Approval of the Certification of the 2014 Current & Delinquent Tax Rolls (Melinda James)

Bryan Thomas Muhammad motioned to approve the Certification of the 2014 Current & Delinquent Tax Rolls

Nathaniel Colbert seconded the motion  
Motion passes unanimously

## **VI. Instruction**

### **A. Action Items:**

1. Approval of Head Start Integrated Plans for 2014-2015 are as follows: (Sherry Hardin)
  - a. Education and Early Childhood Dev.
    - (1) Curriculum Plan 2014-2015
    - (2) Individualization Plan 2014/2015
    - (3) Child Outcomes Nine Weeks Plan 2014/2015
  - b. Transition Plan
  - c. Nutrition
  - d. Child Health and Dev. Services
  - e. Mental Health Services
  - f. Family Partnership Engagement
  - g. Program Governance
  - h. Management Systems and Procedures
  - i. Human Services
  - j. Facilities, Materials, and Equipment
  - k. Disability Services
  - l. Transportation

Nathaniel Colbert motioned to approve the Head Start Integrated Plans including the hard copy corrections (presented to the board tonight) to the transportation section as presented.

Ruth Hancock seconded the motion  
Motion passes unanimously

Board convened to closed session at 7:43 p.m.

Board reconvened to open session at 8:22 p.m.

VII. 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)
  1. Consider legal advice regarding renewals, non-renewals and terminations of contracts for professional and non-professional personnel and related actions.
- B. Teachers and Administrators (Tex.Gov't Code 551.074)
  1. Discussion of Selection/Employment

2. Reassignment and Resignations
  3. Discussion of Evaluation
  4. Discipline
  5. Duties
  6. Discussion of Termination
  7. Consider renewals, non-renewals and terminations of contracts for professional and non-professional personnel and related actions.
- 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)
  - F. Deliberate the Appointment of an Interim Superintendent
- VIII. The Board of Trustees will reconvene in open session for action to be taken on items discussed in closed session and open session items.

**IX. Personnel (Anitrea Goodwin)**

**A. Action Items:**

1. Approval of Contractual Staff

Nathaniel Colbert motioned to approve the contractual staff pending clear background checks  
Eric Mitchell seconded the motion  
Motion passes 5/1 with Sarah Jefferson Simon abstaining

2. Approval of Substitutes

Ruth Hancock motioned to approve the substitutes as presented  
Sarah Jefferson Simon seconded the motion  
Motion passes unanimously

**B. Information Items:**

1. Resignations

**X. Consider and Take Action on the Resignation of Superintendent James Colbert**

Ruth Hancock motioned to accept the resignation of Superintendent James Colbert  
Sarah Jefferson Simon seconded the motion  
Motion passes unanimously

**XI. Adjourn: 8:45 p.m.**