

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting on February 25, 2013

The Board of Trustees West Orange-Cove CISD

A Regular of the Board of Trustees of West Orange-Cove CISD was held Monday, February 25, 2013, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 505 N. 15th St. Orange, Texas 77630.

I. Routine Business

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

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

Felicia Amy, a student at the High School gave examples on how to add more instructional days during the school year of the 2013/2014 school calendar without going into the month of June and is encouraging the Board to think about the students and their education when they cast their votes tonight.

Ruby Richard is asking the Board to re-evaluate the policy of dropping off a student from second grade and up at a home without a parent there. Ms. Richards stated that this policy is not conducive to child safety and the District and STS only does it to save a dollar.

III. Superintendent's Report (James Colbert)

- **Congratulations to the boys basketball team, they represented WO-C very well**
- **WO-C hosted the Mustang Relays which went very well.**
- **Baseball & Softball tournaments will be this week**
- **Finished the formal assessments for the year. Fresh Eyes Walks, benchmark testing, STAAR mode testing as ways to identify where we stand as a District on the testing. We received our STAAR results back which we were not happy with the results but feel very confident with the plan that we have implemented at the District level that we will see significant gains throughout the District.**

IV. Consent Agenda Items

- A. **Action Item:**

1. Approval of Budget Amendments (Melinda James)

**Harry Barclay motioned to approve the consent agenda item
Tony Dallas 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
 - f. Head Start

No questions asked

B. Action Items:

1. Approval of Declaring Band Instruments & Equipment as Salvage due to Hurricane Ike Damage (Melinda James)

**Tony Dallas motioned to approve declaring band instruments & equipment as salvage due to hurricane Ike damage.
Eric Mitchell seconded the motion**

2. Approval of Engagement Letter from Kenneth C. Davis & Company, P.C. (Melinda James)

**Harry Barclay motioned to approve the engagement letter from Kenneth C. Davis & Company, P.C.
Andrew Hayes seconded the motion
Motion passes unanimously**

VI. Instruction

A. Action Item:

1. Approval of School Calendar for 2013/2014 (Dr. Silvia Martinez)

**Tony Dallas motioned to approve the 2013/2014 school calendar
Eric Mitchell seconded the motion
Motion passes 5/2 (Pete Amy & Harry Barclay opposing)**

VII. Policy

A. Action Items:

1. Approval of Employee Contract Forms for 2013/2014 (Anitrea Goodwin)

Tony Dallas motioned to approve the employee contract forms for 2013/2014 as presented

Ricky Jacobs seconded the motion

2. Approval of Order to Call Trustee Election on May 11, 2013 (Bonnie Tegge)
 - a. Approval of Order of General Election
 - b. Approval of Joint Election Agreement with the Cities of Pinehurst, Orange, West Orange & Little Cypress-Mauriceville CISD
 - c. Approval of County Joint Election Administrators Agreement
 - d. Approval of Automark Agreement

Ricky Jacobs motioned to approve the Order to Call Trustee Election on May 11, 2013 which includes VII A/2 a,b,c,&d

Rev. Hardy O'Neal seconded the motion

Motion passes unanimously

Board convened to closed session at 6:25 p.m.

Board Reconvened to open session at 7:30 p.m.

- VIII. 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. Discussion of Evaluation
 3. Reassignment and Resignations
 4. Duties
 5. Discipline
 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. Mid-Year Evaluation of Superintendent (Tex. Govt. Code 551.074)
- IX. The Board of Trustees will reconvene in open session for action to be taken on items discussed in closed session and open session items.

X. Personnel (Anitrea Goodwin)

A. Action Item:

1. Approval of Contractual Staff

None at this time

2. Approval of Substitute List

Ricky Jacobs motioned to approve the substitutes at this time
Rev. Hardy O'Neal seconded the motion
Motion passes unanimously

- XI. Adjourn: **7:32 p.m.**