

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Brackett ISD

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Brackett ISD was held July 13, 2009, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Intermediate Hall, Distance Learning Room, 400 Ann Street, Brackettville.

Members Present: John Paul Schuster, Sondra Meil, Brad Coe, Tony Ashley, Dan Laws

Members Absent: Mark Frerich, Tony Molinar

Administrators: Robert Westbrook, Alma Gutierrez, Frank Taylor

Guests: Greg Buis, David Esparza, Marla Madrid, Susan Esparza

1. CALL TO ORDER / ESTABLISH QUORUM

Presenter: JOHN PAUL SCHUSTER

A. MOMENT OF SILENCE & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The regular meeting was called to order by President John Paul Schuster at 6:37 p.m., with a quorum present. Following a moment of silence, Mr. Schuster led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. OPEN FORUM

Presenter: JOHN PAUL SCHUSTER

No guests were present for open forum participation.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Action

Presenter: JOHN PAUL SCHUSTER

A. MINUTES: 06/08/09 Regular Meeting, 06/15/09 Special Meeting, 06/29/09 Special Meeting

B. BUSINESS & FINANCE: June Recap, Check Run

C. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS ON SUMMER PROJECTS:
Grades PK-6, Grades 7-12

A motion was made by Sondra Meil to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, to include minutes of the 06/08/2009, 06/15/2009, and 06/29/2009 meetings, business and finance reports, and administrative reports. Brad Coe seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

4. NEW BUSINESS

Presenter: ROBERT WESTBROOK / MARLA MADRID

A. BUDGET AMENDMENT(S)

Action

See budget figures with agenda.

A motion was made by Dan Laws to approve the budget amendments as presented by Business Manager Marla Madrid. John Paul Schuster seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

B. BOND ISSUES

Information and discussion on municipal bonds, financing, and timetable of events for bond elections.

C. FACILITIES - BUILDING PLAN

Information and discussion regarding the formation of a committee to set priorities and the selection of an architect.

5. BISD POLICY LOCAL CCG; LOCAL REVENUE SOURCES: AD VALOREM TAXES

Action

Presenter: ROBERT WESTBROOK

A motion was made by Dan Laws to adopt local policy CCG, Local Revenue Sources: Ad Valorem Taxes as presented. Sondra Meil seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

6. PRESENTATION BY WIND FARM COMPANY ON POTENTIAL PROJECT WITHIN BRACKETT ISD BOUNDARIES

Information

Presenter: ROBERT WESTBROOK

E.ON representative Greg Buis gave the board additional information on a wind farm project within Kinney County and the application process.

7. WIND FARM APPLICATION SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 313 OF THE TEXAS TAX CODE

Information and Possible Action

Presenter: ROBERT WESTBROOK

A motion was made by Dan Laws to accept the *wind farm* application pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code, subject to attorney recommendation. Tony Ashley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

8. TRUST PROPERTY 21173 UNIT 27 FCS, BLK J, LOT 71

Action. Offer by Kenneth & Wendy Knox

Presenter: JOHN PAUL SCHUSTER

A motion was made by Tony Ashley to accept the offer of \$1,500.00, as made by Kenneth & Wendy Knox, for the purchase of property 21173, Unit 27 FCS, Block J, Lot 71. Brad Coe seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

9. LOCAL POLICY DEA: DISASTER PAY

First Reading

Presenter: ROBERT WESTBROOK

A brief discussion was held on local policy DEA regarding catastrophic disasters and employee pay, along with FEMA reimbursement requirements. A second reading with adoption will be considered in August.

10. LOCAL POLICY EIA: GRADING GUIDELINES

Action

Presenter: JOHN PAUL SCHUSTER

A motion was made by Tony Ashley to adopt local policy EIA, grading guidelines for the 2009-2010 school year. Sondra Meil seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

11. GOAL SETTING FOR 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR

Information

Presenter: JOHN PAUL SCHUSTER / ROBERT WESTBROOK

The board reviewed 07-08 district goals. Additional information will go out in the next few weeks regarding a 2009-2010 goal setting session.

12. CODE OF CONDUCT / HANDBOOKS

Presenter: JOHN PAUL SCHUSTER

A. STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT - POST LEGISLATIVE

Action

A motion was made by Dan Laws to adopt the student Code of Conduct (*including Post-Legislative changes*) as recommended by TASB for the 2009-2010 school year. John Paul Schuster seconded, and opened the floor for discussion of post-legislative changes to the Code of Conduct. Following discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

B. REVIEW STUDENT HANDBOOKS

Information

Presenter: ALMA GUTIERREZ / FRANK TAYLOR

Administrators gave a brief review of the student handbook changes.

C. REVIEW EMPLOYEE & SUBSTITUTE HANDBOOKS

Information

Presenter: ROBERT WESTBROOK

The board reviewed employee handbook changes, the majority being TASB.

13. BOARD OPERATING PROCEDURES MANUAL

Action

Presenter: ROBERT WESTBROOK

A motion was made by Sondra Meil to approve the development of a Board of Trustees Operating Procedures manual, with noted changes to be included in the final draft. The motion died due to lack of second.

The board requested additional time to receive a final draft and review before adoption.

14. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Presenter: ROBERT WESTBROOK

A. T.A.S.B. FALL CONFERENCE IN HOUSTON

Information

Presenter: ROBERT WESTBROOK

Tony Ashley requested reservations for his attendance at the Houston conference.

The board convened into a closed session at 7:49 p.m., pursuant to Gov't Code 551.072, Real Property, and 551.074, Personnel.

15. *REAL PROPERTY, PURSUANT TO GOV'T CODE 551.072

Closed Session

Presenter: JOHN PAUL SCHUSTER

A. CONSIDER / POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY

Action

16. *PERSONNEL, PURSUANT TO GOV'T CODE, 551.074

Closed Session

Presenter: JOHN PAUL SCHUSTER / ROBERT WESTBROOK

A. LETTER OF RESIGNATION

B. STAFF UPDATE

The board reconvened into open session at 8:55 p.m. and took the following action:

A motion was made by Dan Laws to regretfully accept Brenda Perry's letter of resignation. Sondra Meil seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

No other action was taken.

17. OPEN FORUM

Presenter: JOHN PAUL SCHUSTER

No guests were present for open forum participation.

18. ADJOURN

Presenter: JOHN PAUL SCHUSTER

With no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

John Paul Schuster, Board President

Tony Molinar, Secretary

Date

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