

Minutes of Called Board Meeting on August 22, 2011

The Board of Trustees West Orange-Cove CISD

A Called of the Board of Trustees of West Orange-Cove CISD was held Monday, August 22, 2011, 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 – Ricky Jacobs
- B. Invocation – Pete Amy
- C. Pledge of Allegiance – All
- D. Certification of Notice – Ricky Jacobs

Board Members Present: Ricky Jacobs, Harry Barclay, Eric Mitchell, Andrew Hayes, Tony Dallas, Rev. Hardy O’Neal

Board Members Absent: None

School Board Attorney Present: George Barron

School Personnel Present: James Colbert, Anitrea Goodwin, Dr. Silvia Martinez, Melinda James, Dr. Wayne Guidry, Hutcherson Hill, Anthony Moten, Benny Smith, Shannon Larson, Greg Willis, Bettie Curtis, Elvis Rushing, Lorraine Shannon, Dr. Brant Graham, Rod Anderson & 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. QSCB Update (James Colbert)

Mr. Colbert gave an update on the following:

- 1. HVAC Grant**
- 2. DAEP**
- 3. Fencing**

4. Track
5. Playground at WO-S
6. Middle School Parking Lot
7. Painting – Interior and exterior
8. Administration Building Bids
9. Athletic Bids

IV. Consider Approval of Consent Agenda Items for August 29, 2011:

- A. Budget Amendments (Melinda James)
- B. Board Minutes
 1. Special Called Board Meeting on July 11, 2011
 2. Regular Board Meeting on July 25, 2011

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
 - g. First Rating - 2009/2010

**The District received “Above Standard Achievement”
Public Meeting to discuss the First Rating will be on August 29, 2011**

B. Action Items for August 22, 2011

1. Consider Approval of Bank Signature Cards (Melinda James)

**The personnel on the signature cards are: James Colbert, Melinda James
& Dr. Silvia Martinez.**

**Pete Amy motioned to approve the bank signature cards as presented
Eric Mitchell seconded the motion
Motion passes unanimously**

2. Consider and Possible Approval of Fencing (Melinda James & Mike Brooks)

Mr. Kirkpatrick and Mr. Germany from Texas Correctional Industries were present for any questions from the Board.

Tony Dallas motioned to approve the fencing proposal from Texas Correctional Industries

Andrew Hayes seconded the motion

Motion passes unanimously

3. Consider and Possible Approval of Resolution Authorizing Board President to execute all documents necessary to transfer title to personal property, which was a part of the Nature Classroom, to the Nelda C. and H.J. Lutcher Stark Foundation ("Stark Foundation") to conclude the 2006 sale of the Nature Classroom to the Stark Foundation. (Melinda James)

This was tabled until after the closed session.

Harry Barclay motioned to approve the Resolution authorizing the Board President to execute all documents necessary to transfer title to personal property, which was a part of the Nature Classroom, to the Nelda C. and H.J. Lutcher Nature Classroom to the Stark Foundation.

Tony Dallas seconded the motion

Motion passes unanimously

C. Action Item for August 29, 2011

1. Consider and Possible Approval of Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credits (Melinda James)

The District is still considered a Chapter 41 School. Option 3 is being requested.

2. Discussion of Tax Rate (Melinda James)

The District is proposing 1.286%

This will be discussed at the Public Hearing on August 29, 2011

VI. Instruction

A. Information/Discussion Items:

1. Head Start Principal Report (Mr. Shannon Larson)

Mr. Larson Reported that the numbers changed from what was posted in the agenda - the new numbers are as follows:

HS 3 yrs - 95

HS 4 yrs - 144

Pre-K3 - 7

Pre-K4 - 15
PPCD - 9
TOTAL - 270

2. AEIS (Academic Excellence Indicator System) Report 2009/2010 (Dr. Wayne Guidry)

Dr. Wayne Guidry apologized for bringing this to the Board late due to staff changes early in the year. This was released to the public in November of 2010.

This will be discussed at the Public Hearing on August 29, 2011

VII. Policy

A. Action Items for August 29, 2011

1. Consider Approval of PDAS Calendar and Appraisers for 2011/2012 (Anitrea Goodwin)
2. Revised Policy EIA (Local) - 1st Read (Dr. Silvia Martinez & Anitrea Goodwin)

The change to Policy EIA (Local) is on page 7. It is to read “Semester Exam Grades 6-12)

Harry Barclay is asking that the teachers place more emphasis on homework that is outlined in this Policy EIA- (page 4 of 7).

Convened to closed session at 6:48 p.m.

Re-convened to open session at 7:31 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)
- 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
- 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)
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

A. Action Items for August 22, 2011:(Anitrea Goodwin)

1. Approval of Hiring Contractual Staff

**Pete Amy motioned to approve the contractual Staff as presented
Eric Mitchell seconded the motion
Motion passes unanimously**

2. Approval of the Substitute List

None presented

XI. Informational Item

A. Resignations

XII. Adjourn: **7:32 p.m.**