

# Minutes of Regular Board Meeting on June 27, 2016

## The Board of Trustees West Orange-Cove CISD

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A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of West Orange-Cove CISD was held Monday June 27, 2016, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 902 W. Park Ave. Orange, Texas 77630.

### **Vision Statement:**

Empowering lives through excellence every day.

### **District Goals:**

**Goal 1:** WOCCISD believes that student success is measured in many ways.

**Goal 2:** WOCCISD will afford every student the opportunity to graduate college and/or career ready, through programs that prepare them for higher education, career/technical school, military service, or direct entry into the workforce upon graduation.

**Goal 3:** WOCCISD will be good stewards of the taxpayer's funds.

**Goal 4:** District facilities will be maintained in a manner that extends the functional life of all buildings and equipment.

**Goal 5:** Community Relations: WOCCISD believes in positive, accurate, and open communications throughout the district.

**Goal 6:** WOCCISD believes in improvement that is intentional, systemic, and enduring.

### **I. Routine Business**

A. Call To Order – Ruth Hancock (6:02 pm.)

B. Certification of Notice – Ruth Hancock

Board Members Present: Ruth Hancock, Linda Platt-Bryant, Tony Dallas,  
Roderick Robertson, Demetrius Hunter,  
and Sarah Jefferson Simon

Board Members not Present: John Gray Jr.

Board Attorney Present: George Barron

District Personnel Present: Rickie Harris, Dr. Silvia Martinez, Dr. Wayne Guidry,  
Dr. Nina LeBlanc, Anitrea Goodwin, Lorraine Shannon,  
Robin Hataway, Elvis Rushing, Dr. Anthony Moten, Sherry  
Hardin, Rod Anderson, Manuel Vera, Heather Knox, Coach  
Cornel Thompson, Coach Mike Pierce, Coach Desiree Boxie  
Coach Shea Landry, Coach Russell Bottley, Greg Willis and  
Trisha Spears

### **II. Public Hearing**

#### **A. Information/Discussion**

1. Public Meeting to Discuss Budget & Proposed Tax Rate (Robin Hataway)

**III. Superintendents' Report (Rickie Harris)**

**A. Education Service Center**

1. Employee of the Month – Vera Manuel

**B. Super Fan Recognition (Rickie Harris)**

Andrew Hayes

Darnise Henson

**C. Athletic Recognitions**

1. WOS High School Baseball Playoff Team (Cornel Thompson)

2. State Track & Field Meet Finalists & Medalist (Cornel Thompson)

**IV. 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.

Larry Spears: Mr. Spears proposed that we find ways to have the school board work along with the city council and come up with an annual or semi-annual meeting or dinner to discuss ideas that the school board has as well as what the city council has going on, so that the school board and city council can work together to make Orange better for the students and citizens.

**V. Resolution to Adopt the TEA Code's Definition of Hazardous Routes and the List of WOCCISD Hazardous Route Areas (Dr. Wayne Guidry (Goal 4)**

Motion made by Tony Dallas

Second made by Sarah Jefferson-Simon

Motion passed

**VI. Consent Agenda Items**

**A. Action Items:**

1. Consider approval of Budget Transfers (Robin Hataway) (Goal 3)

Motion made by Tony Dallas

Second made by Linda Platt-Bryant

Motion passed

2. Board Meeting Minutes as follows: (Trisha Spears) (Goal 6)

a. May 23, 2016- Regular

b. September 28, 2015 –Regular (Revised)

Motion made by Sarah Jefferson-Simon

Second made by Roderick Robertson

Motion passed

**VII. Finance (Robin Hataway)**

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

1. Financial Statements
  - a. General Operating Funds
  - b. Student Nutrition Fund
  - c. Debt Service
  - d. Check Register
  - e. Tax Collection 2015
  - f. Tax Collection 2016
  - g. Investment Report
  - h. Head Start

### 2. Donation

No donation

## **B. Action Items: (Robin Hataway) (Goal 3 & 4)**

1. Consider Approval of 2016-17 Budget & Salary Schedule  
Motion made by Roderick Robertson  
Second made by Demetruis Hunter  
Motion passed
2. Consider Approval of Tax Rate (Robin Hataway)  
Motion made by Tony Dallas  
Second made by Sarah Jefferson-Simon  
Motion passed
3. Consider Approval of the following Bids Proposals (Robin Hataway)  
Motion made by Linda Platt-Bryant  
Second made by Demetrius Hunter  
Motion passed

## **VIII. Instruction**

### **A. Action Items**

1. Consider approval of WOCCISD Gifted and Talented Handbook and Forms (Heather Knox)

Motion made by Tony Dallas  
Second made by Sarah Jefferson-Simon  
Motion passed

### 2. Head Start (Sherry Hardin)

- a. Director's Report

## **IX. Policy**

### **A. Action Items**

1. Consider approval of DNA (Local) and DNB (Local) (Anitra Goodwin)  
Motion made by Roderick Robertson  
Second made by Tony Dallas  
Motion passed

- X. The open session of the meeting will adjourn. The Board of Trustees will reconvene in

closed session for the following purposes.

**Board convened to closed session at 7:10 p.m.**

- 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)

XI. The Board of Trustees will reconvene in open session for action to be taken on items discussed in closed session and open session items.

**Board reconvened to open session at 8:17 p.m.**

**XII. Personnel (Anitrea Goodwin)**

**A. Information Item:**

- 1. Substitute List
- 2. Resignations

**B. Action Item:**

- 1. Consider approval of Contractual Staff
- 2. Consider Approval of Recommendation for substitute pay

Motion made by Linda Platt-Bryant

Second made by Tony Dallas

Motion passed

XIII. Adjourn – **Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.**

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Approved:  
Ruth Hancock, President

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Attest:  
Linda Platt-Bryant, Secretary