

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ECTOR COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT HELD AT THE ADMINISTRATION BOARD ROOM, 802 NORTH SAM HOUSTON, ODESSA, ECTOR COUNTY, TEXAS, AT 6:00 P.M., August 20, 2013, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

Present:

Ray Beaty, D.C.
Dr. Steve Brown
Teri Ervin
Luis Galvan
Nelson Minyard
Dr. Donna C. Smith
Doyle Woodall

Absent:

School Officials: Brian Moersch, David Finley, Wendy Hines, Roy Garcia, Carolyn Gonzalez, David Harwell

Others: Malcolm Tyree, Rebecca Norris, Kellie Wilks, Stephanie Howard, Racheal Coursey, Eleanor Edmondson, Kevin Adams, Joretha Lee, Daniel Loudenback, Lisa Wills, Amy Harvey, Katherine Reddick, Rebecca Mull, Helen Cooper, Elsie Mohler, Robin Fawcett, Nancy Vanley, Chuck Isner, Sharon Story, Mike Adkins, Mike Atkins, Wes Wells, Reverend Norman Stolpe, Cynthia McNabb, Mary Franco

22143 **Meeting Called to Order:** Ray Beaty, D.C., Board President, called the Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

(Luis Galvan was absent for this portion of the meeting.)

22144 **Pledge of Allegiance to United States and Texas Flags:** The United States and Texas flag pledges were led by Gale Pond Alamo Elementary Students Mark Diaz and Allyson Jutras.

(Luis Galvan was absent for this portion of the meeting.)

22145 **Invocation:** Invocation was led by Reverend Norman Stolpe, First Christian Church.

(Luis Galvan was absent for this portion of the meeting.)

22146 **Special Presentations:**

Recognition of Nimitz JHS Student Blake Dominguez, “Do the Write Thing” Essay Winner: Nimitz JHS Student Blake Dominguez was recognized as the “Do the Write Thing” essay winner. Blake earned a trip to Washington D.C. through the essay contest.

(Luis Galvan was absent for this portion of the meeting.)

22147 **Verification of Compliance with Open Meeting Law:** Ray Beaty, D.C., Board President, verified that the provisions of Section 551.001 of the Texas Government Code have been met in connection with public notice of this meeting.

(Luis Galvan was absent for this portion of the meeting.)

22148 **Presentation by the Summer Ector County ISD Abydos Class Members:** Trustees heard from five teachers who participated in the Abydos training this summer. The teachers provided information, answered questions and stressed the importance of the initiative. To date, 88 teachers have gone through the Abydos training, eight have been selected to become trainer of trainers, and two of those eight are now trainers.

(Luis Galvan was absent for this portion of the meeting.)

No action required.

22149 **Request for Approval of Budget Amendment #2:** Moved by Smith, seconded by Woodall to approve Budget Amendment #2 as presented.

(Luis Galvan was absent for this portion of the meeting.)

Motion unanimously approved.

22150 **Request for Approval of Proposed Tax Rate to Publish and Public Meeting Date for Tax Rate Adoption:** Moved by Brown, seconded by Woodall to approve the Proposed Tax Rate to publish and Public Meeting Date for the Tax Rate Adoption.

The M&O rate of \$1.04 and I&S rate of \$.121 for a total tax rate of \$1.161. were proposed for publication.

Trustees approved September 17, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. as the date and time of a public meeting to formally adopt this proposed tax rate.

(Luis Galvan arrived at 6:30 p.m. and was present for the remainder of the meeting.)

Motion unanimously approved.

22151 **Request for Approval of Student Code of Conduct for 2013-2014:** Moved by Ervin, seconded by Brown to approve the Student Code of Conduct for 2013-2014 as presented. Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education Roy Garcia noted to Trustees the stricter guidelines for drug-related offenses.

The new rules are as follows:

First Offense – 20 day mandatory placement at Alternative Center
Second Offense – 40 day mandatory placement at Alternative Center
Third Offense – Mandatory Expulsion for 60 days or a term dictated by law

Motion unanimously approved.

22152 **Request for Approval to Increase Substitute Teacher Compensation Rates:** Moved by Minyard, seconded by Ervin to approve an Increase to the Substitute Teacher Compensation Rates as presented. Acting Superintendent of Schools Brian J. Moersch recommended a \$15 per day increase for substitute teachers. With the increase non-certified substitute teachers would earn \$100 per day and certified substitute teachers would earn \$125 per day.

Motion unanimously approved.

22153 **Request for Approval of Board Policy GE(Local) Relations with Parent Organizations:** Moved by Ervin, seconded by Woodall to approve Board Policy GE(Local) Relations with Parent Organizations as presented. The change will centralize the required documents and financial reporting to the Communications department.

Appearing before the Board – Citizens may address the Board on any agenda item by presenting their name, address, and agenda item to be discussed to the President of the Board on the form provided prior to the opening of the meeting. BED(Local)

City PTA President Malcolm Tyree gave Trustees a brief update on the status of PTAs in Ector County ISD. He encouraged all parents and Trustees to get involved with PTA.

Motion unanimously approved.

22154 **Discussion of Board Policies for TASB Update 97 [First Reading]:** TASB is recommending changes to four Local board policies to bring them in alignment with Legal policy which is established by the Legislature. These policies will be presented next month for a second reading and adoption.

No action required

22155 **Request for Approval of Consent Agenda:** Moved by Woodall, seconded by Minyard to approve Consent Agenda as presented:

1. Request for Approval of Superintendent's Agenda
2. Request for Approval of Minutes of Meetings:
 - July 30, 2013 – Regular Board Meeting
 - August 7, 2013 – Special Board Meeting

3. Request for Approval of Bills for Payment
4. School Construction Report
5. Request for Approval of Purchases over \$250,000
6. Request for Approval of 2013-2014 PDAS Appraisal Calendar and Timelines
7. Request for Approval of 2013-2014 PDAS Appraisers
8. Request for Approval of Interlocal Agreement Between Ector County ISD and Crane ISD for Providing an Alternative Education Program
9. Request for Approval of UIL Eligibility Courses
10. Request for Approval of Annual Investment Report
11. Request for Approval of Extension of Lease for Grace Point Church
12. Request for Approval of Key & Piskuran Insurance Company Contract for Property and Crime Insurance

Motion unanimously approved.

22156 **Request for Approval of Closed Meeting - Personnel Matters - Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code (Discussion of Naming Interim Superintendent and Discussion of Routine Personnel Report) [Board will deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of public employees of the District]:**

Board President Ray Beaty, D.C. convened the Board of Trustees to closed session at 6:53 p.m.

Board President Ray Beaty, D.C. reconvened the Board of Trustees to open session at 8:58 p.m.

22157 **Take Action to Name Interim Superintendent:** Moved by Ervin, seconded by Minyard to name Thomas Crowe as Interim Superintendent.

Motion unanimously approved.

22158 **Request for Approval of Routine Personnel Report:** Moved by Smith, seconded by Ervin to approve the Routine Personnel Report as presented.

Motion unanimously approved.

22159 **Adjournment:** Moved by Galvan, seconded by Woodall to adjourn meeting.

Motion unanimously approved.

Ray Beaty, D.C., Board President, adjourned the Board meeting at 8:59 p.m.

Board President
Ray Beaty, D.C.

Board Secretary
Doyle Woodall