

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees
Keller Independent School District

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Keller Independent School District was held April 9, 2009, beginning at 6:30 PM in The Education Center, 350 Keller Parkway, Keller, Texas.

Members Present: Robert L. Apetz, Cindy Lotton, Jason Wylie, Dr. David Farmer (arrived at 6:53 PM), Lara Lee Hogg, Kevin Stevenson, Craig Allen

School Attorney/General Counsel: Amanda Bigbee

1. 6:30 PM CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledges of Allegiance were led by students from Heritage Elementary.

3. AWARDS/ACHIEVEMENTS/RECOGNITIONS
 - A. Campus Teachers of the Year
 - B. UIL State Diving Achievement
 - C. UIL State Wrestling Achievement
 - D. TFA State Oral Interpretation Achievement
 - E. March Heart at Work Winner
 - F. Community of Character Student of the Month

4. AUDIENCE WITH INDIVIDUALS

Beth Duncan addressed the Board regarding teacher turnover rate and student/teacher ratio. Phoebe Saenz addressed the Board regarding full day kindergarten.

5. 7:02 PM EXECUTIVE SESSION was called for the purposes permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 through 551.146. Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters (Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, Dismissal, Complaint)
Consideration of Employment Contracts for Professional Instructional Staff

6. 7:15 PM RECONVENED INTO OPEN SESSION
7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. TAKS

Deana Lopez, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, reported preliminary TAKS information.

Mr. Apetz presented "You've Got Heart" notes to Mrs. Lotton, Mrs. Hogg, and Mr. Allen for their participation in the tour of Timber Creek High School.

8. CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. Approval of Minutes
 - B. Approval of Employment Recommendations
 - C. Approval of Acceptance of Water Safety Grant for the Natatorium
 - D. Approval of Acceptance of TCC Mini Grant
 - E. Approval of Verizon Cell Phone Tower Contract
 - F. Approval of Meal Prices for 2009-2010
 - G. Approval of Electrical Right-of-Way Easement for Maintenance/Operations Building
 - H. Approval of Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services with Tarrant County Elections Administrator

Mr. Stevenson moved, seconded by Dr. Farmer, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

9. ACTION

A. Approval of Employment Contracts for Professional Instructional Staff

Mrs. Lotton moved, seconded by Mr. Allen, to approve the employment contracts for professional instructional staff for 2009-2010 as per the list presented. Motion carried 7/0.

B. Approval of Board Goals

Mrs. Lotton moved, seconded by Mr. Allen, to approve the goals as established by the Board. Motion carried 7/0.

C. Approval of Revised Board Standard Operating Procedures

Mr. Stevenson moved, seconded by Dr. Farmer, to approve the revised Board Standard Operating Procedures. Motion carried 7/0. Each Board member signed their Affidavit.

D. Approval of Purchases Exceeding \$25,000

Mrs. Hogg moved, seconded by Mr. Allen, to approve the purchases exceeding \$25,000 as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

E. Approval to Use \$5M From Fund Balance to Purchase 43-acre Site if Receipt of Bond Funds is Delayed

Mr. Stevenson moved, seconded by Mrs. Lotton, to approve utilization of five million dollars from fund balance to pay for the 43-acre site in the event receipt of bond funds is delayed. Motion carried 7/0.

F. Approval of Design Development for New Intermediate/Middle School

Mrs. Lotton moved, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, to approve the design development for the new intermediate/middle school. No action was taken on this motion. Mrs. Lotton moved, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, to table this action item until the April 23, 2009 Board meeting. Motion carried 7/0.

G. Consideration of Items Pulled from Consent Agenda (if applicable)

No items were pulled from the consent agenda.

10. PREVIEW FOR APRIL 23, 2009: The following items were previewed for action at the April 23, 2009 Board meeting:

A. Local At-Risk Criteria

B. Employment of District Financial Auditors - Renewal of Annual Contract

C. Budget Amendments

D. Bids/Bid Renewals

E. Board Resolution for Membership with U.S. Communities Cooperative Purchasing Program

F. Durham Contract Renewal

G. Construction Manager at Risk for New Intermediate/Middle School and Multipurpose Facility

11. REPORTS: The following reports were presented:

A. ESL/Bilingual Program

B. Special Education Program

C. Budget Assumptions

D. 10 Year Business Strategic Plan (Second Quarterly)

AUDIENCE WITH INDIVIDUALS

Elizabeth Broadway addressed the Board regarding graduation.

12. WORK SESSION/DISCUSSION

A. Graduation

B. Scheduling and Upcoming Events

1. Citizens Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) Meeting April 14, 2009

A CBOC meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 14. The Board scheduled a special work session meeting for Monday, April 27.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION for the purposes permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 through 551.146, Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney, Aramark, was not called.

14. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – N/A

15. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Hogg moved, seconded by Mrs. Lotton, for adjournment at 9:36 PM. Motion carried 7/0.

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Jason Wylie, Secretary

Robert L. Apetz, President