

# **Minutes of Called Board Meeting on October 22, 2012**

## **The Board of Trustees West Orange-Cove CISD**

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A Called of the Board of Trustees of West Orange-Cove CISD was held Monday, October 22, 2012, 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 – Pete Amy
- B. Invocation – Pete Amy
- C. Pledge of Allegiance – All
- D. Certification of Notice – Pete Amy

School Board Members Present: Pete Amy, Tony Dallas, Andrew Hayes. Eric Mitchell & Ricky Jacobs

School Board Members Absent: Harry Barclay & Rev. Hardy O’Neal

School Attorney Present: George Barron

Officer Tim Pruitt w/Orange P.D. provided security

### **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 (Sam Lucia)**

**Mr. Lucia spoke on the following:**

- **Athletic Concession Stands/Restroom Project**
- **Facility Painting Project**
- **Baseball/Softball Concession**
- **Middle School Parking Lot Project**
- **HVAC Project**

#### **IV. Consent Agenda Items**

##### **A. Action Items for October 29, 2012**

1. Consider Approval of Board Minutes (Bonnie Tegge)
  - a. September 17, 2012
  - b. September 24, 2012
2. Consider Approval of Budget Amendments (Melinda James)

Mrs. James gave board members a hard copy of the budget amendments

#### **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

##### **B. Action Item for October 22, 2012**

1. Consider Approval of Lease Amendment with Invista for Property Located at 2020 Western Ave. (Central Services Building), West Orange, Texas (Melinda James)

Tony Dallas stated that the wording on bullet #4 under Terms for Proposed Amendment needs to read differently before this item is approved.

No Action due to a lack of a motion.

This will be an action item for the October 29<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

##### **C. Action Item for October 29, 2012:**

1. Consider Approval on Line of Credit w/Orange Savings Bank (Melinda James)

5 million dollar loan for 6 months at 3.25% with a .10% non use fee.

2. Consider Approval of Bid Property (Melinda James)

This is property being placed back on the Tax Rolls.

Pete Amy wanted to know what the term “Struck Off” meant on this report. Melinda James will ask Ms. Gunstream what that term is referencing.

## **VI. Instruction**

### **A. Information Item:**

#### **1. Head Start Report (Shannon Larson)**

- October 4<sup>th</sup> Ladies Breeze Meeting
- October 5<sup>th</sup> Staff Development on curriculum headed by Mrs. Landry
- October 16<sup>th</sup> Male Buzz
- Sharon Kruger from Region 5 has presented twice this year for science training
- Cheryl Angel consulting on parent community engagement framework
- Community assessment will be updated this year (every 3 years)
- Met deadline for 45 day screening

#### **2. School Improvement Update (Gay Jenkins)**

Mrs. Jenkins reported that they have seen improvement. The District and Campus Leadership Teams are committed and worked diligently as a team. Many changes have been made and training has taken place to meet the needs of teachers and students.

#### **3. Issuance of Textbooks to Students (Pete Amy)**

Mr. Amy wants to know why students are not being issued textbooks. Why are our students being asked to break the student code of conduct by taking a picture with their cell phones of the book? Do we have textbooks for every student enrolled in a state required testing class that we are not meeting the state average standard on? Are we breaking any copy right rules? What about the students who do not have access to computers at home?

Dr. Martinez stated that the State funding for Texas previous process was that we would turn in our enrollment and the State would pick up the check. Last school year the process changed to where we now receive an instructional materials allotment for a two year period. The District level is required to decide where these funds need to go. Last year we received 70% of those funds and this year 30%. WO-C has an Instruction Materials Oversight Committee (IMOC). The State requires that a student has access to a textbook during the school day, anything beyond that the District needs to make those decisions and have the funding source to be able to do that. WO-C students have access to textbooks during the school day and can check out a book if needed. If every student in a tested course were to

receive a textbook the cost would be \$38,224.91. The State has recently revised the textbook adoption list.

If our teachers know that our students do not have access to the textbook we should shape and create our assignments in the classroom and outside of the classroom. The ideal situation is to have a classroom set and a textbook for each child to take home.

## **VII. Policy**

### **A. Action Item for October 22, 2012**

1. Consider Approval of Revised PDAS Calendar (Anitrea Goodwin)

Ricky Jacobs motioned to approve the revised PDAS Calendar as presented  
Tony Dallas seconded the motion  
Motion passes unanimously

### **B. Action Items for October 29, 2012**

1. Consider Approval of Local Policy Update - DNA (LOCAL) - (Anitrea Goodwin)

Mrs. Goodwin gave the first read on the policy update – DNA (LOCAL)

Board convened to closed session at 7:40 p.m.

Board reconvened to open session at 7:52 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)**

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)**

F. Deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the District has received from a business prospect that the District seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the District and with which the District is conducting economic development negotiations and to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to such a business prospect. (Tex.Gov't Code 551.087)

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 (Anitrea Goodwin)**

**A. Action Item for October 22, 2012:**

1. Approval of Substitute List

Ricky Jacobs motioned to approve the substitute list as presented  
Andrew Hayes seconded the motion  
Motion passes unanimously

XI. Adjourn: 7:54

Board Approved \_\_\_\_\_

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Board President

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Board Secretary