

SPLENDORA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JULY 18, 2011
7:00 PM

The trustees of the Splendor Independent School District met in a regular meeting on Monday, July 18, 2011 in the boardroom of the administration building, 23419 FM 2090, Splendor, TX 77372.

1. Meeting began at **7:13 PM. ROLL CALL:** (1) David Duke - Secretary, (2) Dan Muirhead – Member, (3) Kino Manzella – Assistant Secretary, (4) Rex Fry – Member, (5) Mattie McKee – Member, (6) Otis Carter –President, (7) Dana Daniels – Vice President, and Thomas Price – Superintendent.

Absent: None

Presiding: Otis Carter Recording: David Duke

2. INVOCATION

Invocation given by Mattie McKee.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

4. AUDIENCE

Damon Johnson spoke on character of girls' athletic coordinator.

Regina Vollmer spoke on REACH program, feels the program needs improvement. Second topic was about confidentiality and felt confidentiality has been breached by an ex-board member.

Sophie Hinkelman asked how many employee lawsuits there have been over the past several years.

Deborah Jones, unable to address Board because of grievance policies.

Tina Kennedy spoke on academics and girls' athletic coordinator.

Frankie Freeze spoke on softball and concerns about head coach resigning.

Karen O'Brien addressed Board on employee concerns and Board communication.

Scott Hinkelman requested information about early college, school board, and grants.

Sharon Williams asked about her daughter's email not being properly answered by the superintendent.

Kevin McDonald congratulated superintendent and Board on recent accomplishments expressed his support of the superintendent and Board.

5. BOARD REPORT

None.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. Superintendent's Report.

1. Activity Calendar

Calendar included in packet for board members.

B. Safety Cumulative and End of Year Report

Report included in packet. Chief Doerge was available for questions.

7. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A. Minutes

B. Financials, Tax Report, Investment Report, and Accounts Payable

C. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Policy Update 90

D. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve 2011 SCORE Program Memorandum of Understanding

E. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve JJAEP Memorandum of Understanding

A motion was made by Otis Carter, seconded by Dana Daniels to approve the June 6, 2011 special meeting minutes, June 20, 2011 public hearing minutes, June 20, 2011 regular meeting minutes and June 30, 2011 special meeting minutes; June 2011 financials, tax reports, investment and collections reports, and accounts payable in the General Operating Account in the total amount of \$3,011,855.90; Policy Update 90; 2011 SCORE Program Memorandum of Understanding; and JJAEP Memorandum of Understanding. Voting for: 7, Against: 0. Motion carried.

8 BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Discussion and Possible Action to Accept Certification of Debt Service Collection Rate

A motion was made by David Duke, seconded by Dana Daniels to accept the Certification of Debt Service Collection Rate. Voting for: 7, Against: 0. Motion carried.

B. Discussion and Possible Action to Accept Certification of Excess Collections

A motion was made by Dana Daniels, seconded by Otis Carter to accept the Certification of Excess Collections. Voting for: 7, Against: 0. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEMS C AND D WERE TAKEN OUT OF ORDER.

D. Consider, Adopt, and Set by Ordinance the 2011 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Interest Debt Service

A motion was made by Dana Daniels, seconded by Otis Carter adopt and set by Ordinance the 2011 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Interest and Debt Service of \$.29. Voting for: 7, Against: 0. Motion carried.

C. Consider, Adopt, and Set by Ordinance the 2011 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operations

A motion was made by David Duke, seconded by Dana Daniels to adopt and set by Ordinance the 2011 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operations, that property taxes be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$1.04. Voting for: 7, Against: 0. Motion carried.

E. Discussion and Possible Action to Endorse Candidacy of Marilyn Bettes for the TASB Region 6 Board of Directors

A motion was made by Mattie McKee, seconded by Otis Carter to endorse the candidacy of Marilyn Bettes for the TASB Region 6 Board of Directors. Voting for: 7, Against: 0. Motion carried.

F. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Board Operating Procedures Manual Revisions

A motion was made by Otis Carter, seconded by Kino Manzella to approve the Board Operating Procedures Manual Revisions. Voting for: 7, Against: 0. Motion carried.

G. Discuss Board Goal Setting and Team Building Sessions

No action.

In accordance with Section 551.001 et seq., of the Texas Government Code, as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Board President called for a closed session, concerning any and all purposes permitted by the Act including, but not limited to, sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.075, 551.076, 551.082, 551.083, 551.084.

The Board of Trustees moved into closed session under the following provisions of the ACT:

- H. Personnel - Section 551.074
 - 1. Employment
 - 2. Resignations

BREAK AT 7:52 PM

CLOSED SESSION BEGAN AT: 8:04 PM

RECONVENED at 8:24 PM to take action on items discussed in closed session.

- 8H. Personnel – Section 551.074
 - 1. Employment

A motion was made by Dana Daniels, seconded by Otis Carter to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to employ the following employees with probationary one-year contracts for the 2011-2012 school year, subject to assignment and availability of funds. Voting for: 7, Against: 0. Motion carried.

- Kerry Milam
 - Wade Thompson
 - Marian Alvarado, Jr.
 - Alex Campbell
 - Sarah McCall
 - Shelby York
- 2. Resignations
For Information Only.
 - Lee Armstrong
 - Tessie Branham
 - Andy Greever
 - Karen Onstott-O'Brien

9. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING
 - A. Campus Spotlight on Piney Woods Elementary School
 - B. Attendance/Incentive Program Report
 - C. Community Education Report
 - D. Employee Turnover Report
 - E. Maintenance Report
 - F. Employee and Student Handbooks
 - G. District Improvement Plans
 - H. PDAS Calendar and Appraisers

10. ADJOURNMENT AT **8:29 PM**

President

Secretary