

Minutes of Called Board Meeting on September 17, 2012

The Board of Trustees West Orange-Cove CISD

A Called of the Board of Trustees of West Orange-Cove CISD was held Monday, September 17, 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

Board Members Present: Pete Amy, Tony Dallas, Andrew Hayes, Eric Mitchell, Rev. O’Neal & Ricky Jacobs

Board Members Absent: Harry Barclay

School Personnel Present: James Colbert, Dr. Silvia Martinez, Melinda James, Dr. Wayne Guidry, Hutcherson Hill, Anthony Moten, Benny Smith, Shannon Larson, Greg Willis, Elvis Rushing, Cornel Thompson, Jo Ellen Enmon, Patricia Lee, Sarah Landry, Michelle Duhon, Vickie Price, Kathy Fuqua, Betty Curtis, Gay Jenkins & Bonnie Tegge

Guest: Sam Lucia

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.

Patrice Simon – Would like to see the substitute pay for a certified teacher increased.

III. QSCB Report (Sam Lucia)

Mr. Lucia spoke on the following

- Athletic Concession Stands & Restroom Project
- Facility Painting Project

- Baseball Field Project
- Baseball/Softball Concession
- Middle School Parking Lot Project
- HVAC Project

IV. Action Items for September 24, 2012:

A. Consider Approval of Consent Agenda Items:

1. Budget Amendments: (Melinda James)
2. Board Minutes (Bonnie Tegge)
 - a. August 20, 2012
 - b. August 27, 2012

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

2. 2010/2011 District FIRST Rating (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) (Melinda James)

Melinda James stated: that the District FIRST Rating will be discussed in a Public Hearing next week, Monday, Sept. 24, 2012 before the regular Board Meeting.

B. Action Items for September 24, 2012:

1. Consider Approval of Bid Property (Melinda James)

2. Consider Approval of Signatures for the Following: (Melinda James)
 - a. First Public - Lone Star

Melinda James stated that we are adding Myrna Cedars and removing Margaret Duchamp

- b. Morgan Stanley Smith Barney

Melinda James Stated that we are adding James Colbert & Melinda James

VI. Instruction

A. Information

1. Head Start Report (Shannon Larson)

Shannon Larson stated:

- 8/27/12 began school with 239 students enrolled
- 8/30/12 submitted the Programming Information Report
- 8/31/12 ended and reported 239 students
- 8/27/12 began OWL screening thru 9/14/12
- 9/4-21/12 DIAL 4 testing
- 9/18/12 Science training with Ms. Kruger from Region 5
- 9/27/12 Open House
- 10/9/12 I Care meeting – Policy Council will be formed at this time

B. Action Items for September 24, 2012:

1. Consider Approval of Campus & District Improvement Plans for 2012/2013 (Dr. Silvia Martinez)

Dr. Martinez presented a power point presentation on District & Campus Improvement Plans for 2012/13

The following from each campus gave an overview of their Campus Plans.

- Shannon Larson & Sarah Landry
- Benny Smith & Vickie Price
- Anthony Moten & Kathy Fuqua
- Hutcherson Hill & Michelle Duhon
- Gay Jenkins

2. Consider Approval of Resolution Concerning High Stakes, Standardized Testing of Texas Public School Students (James Colbert)

Mr. Colbert is asking the Board to approve the Resolution Concerning High Stakes, Standardized Testing concerning the over emphasis on testing.

3. Consider Approval of Student Handbooks & Code of Conduct (Anitrea Goodwin/Dr. Silvia Martinez)

Dr. Martinez discussed the changes in the student handbooks.

Board convened to closed session at 7:45 p.m.

Board reconvened to open session at 8:20 p.m.

VII. 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)
- VIII. The Board of Trustees will reconvene in open session for action to be taken on items discussed in closed session and open session items.
- IX. Personnel (Anitrea Goodwin)
- A. Information Item:
 - 1. Resignations
 - B. **Action Item:**
 - 1. Approval of Contractual Staff
 - Tony Dallas motioned to approve the contractual staff as presented
 - Ricky Jacobs seconded the motion
 - Motion passes unanimously
 - 2. Approval of Substitute List
 - Ricky Jacobs motioned to approve the substitute list as presented
 - Tony Dallas seconded the motion
 - Motion passes unanimously
- X. Adjourn: 8:22 p.m.