

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

NOVEMBER 14, 2011

The Celina Independent School District’s Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, November 14, 2011 at the Celina Independent School District Administration Offices at 205 S Colorado in Room 4 and the Board Room.

Board Vice-President Pam Peters called the Dinner Discussion to order at 6:15 p.m. Members present were, Kelly Juergens, Pam Peters, Lance Haynes, Chuck Hansen, Tim Looper, and Jeff Gravley. Staff members and guests present included Donny O’Dell, Wade Stanford, Lizzy Kloiber, Colette Pledger, and Lana Brooks.

Dinner Discussion:

A. Agenda Item Topics

At 7:01 PM Board Vice-President Pam Peters called the regular meeting of the Celina Independent School District’s Board of Trustees to order in the Board Room of the CISD Administration Offices. Tim Looper led the pledge and Chuck Hansen gave the invocation.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kelly Juergens, Pam Peters, Lance Haynes, Chuck Hansen, Tim Looper, and Jeff Gravley.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Choc Christopher

SCHOOL OFFICIALS & VISITORS PRESENT: Donny O’Dell, Lizzy Kloiber, Wade Stanford, Colette Pledger, and Lana Brooks. (A complete guest list is attached to the official minutes.)

OPEN FORUM

Clint Drop spoke and thanked Mr. O’Dell for following up with him on the petition he presented to the board on behalf of the band. He also thanked the Board for their time and efforts.

INFORMATION/CONFIRMATION ITEMS:

Mr. O’Dell gave a report on Highly Qualified Status for the District.

CONSENT/CONFIRMATION AGENDA ITEMS:

Lance Haynes moved and Chuck Hansen seconded the motion to approve the following consent agenda items as presented:

- Minutes of the September 19, 2011 meeting
- Monthly Cash Distributions/Cash Balance/Investment Reports

➤ Budget Amendments for 2011-2012

Motion Carried 6-0.

ACTION/BRIEFING ITEMS:

Kelly Juergens moved and Jeff Gravley seconded the motion to approve the Business Agreement, with typographical errors changed, on the Sale of Right Away on the TXDOT Land Proposal on Parcel 6, parts 1 & 2, and Parcel 27. Motion Carried 6-0.

Kelly Juergens moved and Jeff Gravley seconded the motion to approve the Resolution related to the potential school finance litigation. Motion Carried 6-0.

Lance Haynes moved and Tim Looper seconded the motion to approve the Audit Report Ending June 30, 2011 on the District's finances as presented. Motion Carried 6-0.

Chuck Hansen moved and Tim Looper seconded the motion to approve the Resolution for Goods-In-Transit – Local Option to tax for 2011. Motion Carried 6-0.

Jeff Gravley moved and Chuck Hansen seconded the motion to cast the District's one vote in the Denton County Appraisal Board election for Tom Washington. Motion Carried 6-0.

Kelly Juergens moved and Chuck Hansen seconded the motion to distribute the District's 33 votes among the candidates listed on the Collin County Appraisal Board election. Motion Carried 6-0.

At 7:22 p.m. Pam Peters opened Level III Grievance in open session and stated this portion would be recessed. All Board Members introduced themselves along with Amy and David Herron, Janet Calvert and Donny O'Dell. Pam Peters set for the procedures to be followed. Amy and David Herron spoke for 2 minutes on behalf of the Celina Board Boosters and asked for 8 minutes rebuttal time. Janet Calvert spoke for 8 minutes and Mr. O'Dell spoke for 3 minutes. Since Mr. O'Dell went over the allotted time by a minute, the Board gave Amy and David Herron an extra minute for their rebuttal. The Board asked questions of each party and then adjourned closed session for deliberation.

At 8:29 p.m. Pam Peters recessed the open session and convened the Board in closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074, Personnel, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee, specifically to include deliberation regarding an interim and/or full-time Superintendent, process for the search, and Board responsibilities related to the search.

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551-071, to consult with the District's attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the District under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Board of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, regarding legal advice concerning an Interim Superintendent and selection of new full-time Superintendent and related issues.

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551-071, to seek the advice of the Board's attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement office, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the government body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules or Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551, specifically, to conduct board training with the Board's attorney regarding Level III grievance filed by Melina and Boosters.

At 8:51 p.m. Pam Peters recessed the closed session and reconvened the Board in open session.

ACTION TAKEN ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION:

Chuck Hansen moved and Tim Looper seconded the motion for the Board to grant the appeal in part and deny the appeal in part, mentioning the relief requested as follows:

1. Uphold the decision at Level II as to the relief outlined in points #1 and #2 of Mr. O'Dell's Level II decision.
2. Modify the relief awarded in point #3 of the Level II decision by:
 - a. Work with the District administration and the Middle School and High School Band Directors to schedule the recruiting session(s) at the Intermediate School prior to student course selections for the 2012-2013 school year.
 - b. Issue a directive from the Board to the Administration to make every effort to combine the 7th and 8th grade band periods for the 2012-2013 school year.
 - c. Involve the Middle School and High School Band Directors in the scheduling process toward the effort to combine the band periods.
 - d. By August 1, 2012 update the Board regarding the efforts and actions to combine the bands prior to the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year.
 - e. In the event the bands cannot be combined by August 1, 2012, the matter will be brought back to the Board as an agenda item for consideration.

No discussion or action was needed regarding the Superintendent Search and Personnel.

ADJOURNMENT:

Jeff Gravely moved and Tim Looper seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.
Motion Carried 6-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 p.m.

Pam Peters, Vice-President

Kelly Jurgens - Secretary

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