

# **Minutes of Regular Board Meeting – April 25, 2011**

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

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A Regular of the Board of Trustees of West Orange-Cove CISD was held Monday, April 25, 2011, 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**

### **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.

**Shirley Joseph: Spoke on Board and Bond issues**

**Allen Nation: Spoke in support of the North ELC Campus**

**Shaw Mitchell: Spoke in support of North ELC Campus**

**Christy Miller: Spoke in support of NELC Campus**

**Mr. Colbert stated factual information concerning the North ELC: The impression out in the community is that the District is going to close the NELC Campus for the 2011/2012 school year, this is absolutely not true. There are looming budget cuts not only from the State of Texas but the Head Start program which is looking at a 22.4% budget cut. North ELC will be open full blown for next year.**

**Board Members Present: Pete Amy, Ricky Jacobs, Eric Mitchell, Andrew Hayes, Dr. Mary Fontenot Hardin, & Harry Barclay**

**Board Members Absent: Rev. Hardy O'Neal**

**School Attorney Present: George Barron**

**School Personnel Present: James Colbert, Margaret Duchamp, Melinda James.**

**Dr. Silvia Martinez, Anitrea Goodwin, Hutcherson Hill, Travis McKelvain,  
Benny Smith, James Acker & Bonnie Tegge**

III. Superintendent's Report

**Mr. Colbert stated the following:**

**WO-S High School Career Center students – State Skills Meet:**

**Best in Show/Precision Machining Projects**

**Third place in State/Precision Machining Speed Skills**

**WO-S High School Journalism earned more than 15 medals for outstanding yearbook content from the Interscholastic League Press Conference in 3-A Competition;**

**Additionally, Shonalee Jacobs earned First place overall (1A-5A) in Academic Photos. This photo will be included in the TOPS in Texas Magazine.**

**Wo-S High School Boys Track Team won the District Track Meet.**

**The Regional meet will be May 2 & 3 in Humble**

**Family Fun Day will be held this Saturday, April 30 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Lions Dens Park.**

IV. Approval of Consent Agenda Items:

A. Action Items:

1. Board Minutes

a. March 28, 2011

2. Budget Amendments (Melinda James)

**Harry Barclay motioned to approve the Consent Agenda Items**

**Andrew Hayes seconded the motion**

**Motion passes unanimously**

V. Finance (Melinda James)

A. Information/Discussion Items

1. Financial Statements

a. General Operating Funds

b. Student Nutrition Fund

c. Debt Service

2. Tax Collection

3. Check Register

4. Head Start

B. Action Items:

1. Approval to Submit Refunding Application for Head Start Grant (James Acker - Melinda James)

**Ricky Jacobs motioned to approve the refunding application for Head Start Grant**

**Eric Mitchell seconded the motion**

**Motion passes unanimously**

2. Approval to Submit RFP for Head Start Center Play Space Grant (James Acker - Melinda James)

**Harry Barclay motioned to approve the RFP for Head Start Center Play Space Grant**

**Ricky Jacobs seconded the motion**

**Motion passes unanimously**

3. Approval of Designee for Head Start Grant (James Acker)

**Ricky Jacobs motioned to approve the Designee as Mr. Colbert for the Head Start Grant**

**Eric Mitchell seconded the motion**

**Motion passes unanimously**

4. Approval of Bank Depository Proposal (hard copy was given at the April 18th meeting) (Melinda James)

**Dr. Mary Fontenot Hardin motioned to approve the bank depository proposal to Orange Savings Bank**

**Andrew Hayes seconded the motion**

**Motion passes unanimously**

5. Approval of Food Service Contract Amendment (Melinda James)

**Eric Mitchell motioned to approve the Food Service contract amendment as presented**

**Dr. Mary Fontenot Hardin seconded the motion**

**Motion passes unanimously**

VI. Instruction - Action Item:

- A. Consider Approval of 2011/2012 School Calendar ( will be emailed to Board Members on Thursday, April 22, 2011)

James Colbert recommend Draft A

**Pete Amy motioned to approve Draft B with the following changes: May 31, 2012 as an early release day and June 1, 2012 as a bad weather day.**

**Harry Barclay seconded the motion**

**Motion passes 5/1 with Ricky Jacobs opposing**

VII. Policy (Margaret Duchamp)

A. Action Item:

1. Approval of Policy Update 89

**Harry Barclay motioned to approve Policy Update 89**

**Dr. Mary Fontenot Hardin seconded the motion**

**Motion passes unanimously**

**Board convened to closed session at 6:41 p.m.**

**Board reconvened to open session at 7:08 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)

- 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

- 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)

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 (Margaret Duchamp)

- A. Resignation:

- B. Action Items:

1. Approval of Reassignment of Assistant Principal, Rod Anderson to Off-Campus Disciplinary Alternative Education Program (James Colbert)

**Ricky Jacobs motioned to approve the reassignment of A.P. Rod**

**Anderson to Off-Campus Disciplinary Alternative Education Program**  
**Eric Mitchell seconded the motion**  
**Motion passes unanimously**

2. Approval of New Athletic Director (James Colbert)

**Harry Barclay motioned to approve the new Athletic Director/Head**  
**Football Coach as Cornel Thompson**  
**Dr. Mary Fontenot Hardin seconded the motion**  
**Motion passes unanimously**

XI. Adjourn: **7:10 p.m.**