Notice of Regular
Board of Trustees
September 20, 2005

A Regular of the Board of Trustees will be held on September 20, 2005, beginning at 7:00 PM, in the Administration Building, 400 East Loop 340, Waco, TX 76705.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice. For more information about public comment, see Policy BED. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

I. Roll Call, Establishment of Quorum, Call to Order, Opening Ceremony, and Review Listing of Agenda Items --
II. Public Participation --
III. Recognition Items --
IV. Special Reports - Construction Report, Legislative Report, and Superintendent's Report --
    A. Departmental Reports --
V. Consent Agenda Items --
    A. Minutes for Meetings Held -- Dr. Monte Geren or Ms. Lori Mynarcik
    B. Tax Collection Report -- Mr. Gary W. Williams
    C. Reading First Grant Update -- Dr. Sharon M. Shields
    D. Textbook Update -- Dr. Sharon M. Shields
VI. Action / Discussion Items --
    A. Consider Resolution Authorizing Extracurricular Status for the McLennan County 4-H Organization and Approving McLennan County Extension Agents as Adjunct Staff Members -- Dr. Monte Geren
    B. Consider Nomination of Candidates for the McLennan County Appraisal District Board of Directors -- Dr. Monte Geren
    C. Authorization of Budget Management for 2005-2006 -- Mr. Gary W. Williams
    D. Approve Additions and Modifications of the La Vega High School and La Vega Junior High School George Dixon Campus Student Handbooks and Student Code of Conduct -- Mr. Al Bishop
    E. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the 2005-2006 Tax Rate -- Mr. Gary W. Williams
VII. Closed Meeting --
    A. Discussion Regarding Personnel Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, Dismissal, Complaint, or Charges (If Needed) --
    B. Confer With Employees of the District to Receive Information or Ask Questions (If Needed) --
    C. Discussion Regarding Student Discipline (If Needed) --
    D. Consultation with the District's Attorney (If Needed) --
VIII. Adjournment --

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E or Texas Government Code section 418.183(f).

Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting. [See TASB Policy BEC(LEGAL)]

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For the Board of Trustees

ROLL CALL, ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM, AND CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at _____ m.

Board of Trustees Members Present: _____

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Board of Trustees Members Absent: _____

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BOARD PRESIDENT: THE OPENING CEREMONY CONSISTING OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG AND TO THE TEXAS FLAG WILL BE PROVIDED BY:

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(NAME, TITLE, POSITION, LVISD CAMPUS/DEPT.)

PLEASE STAND FOR OUR OPENING CEREMONY.

PLEDGE TO UNITED STATES FLAG.

PLEDGE TO TEXAS FLAG:

HONOR THE TEXAS FLAG, I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THEE,

TEXAS, ONE AND INDIVISIBLE.

APPROVE LISTING OF AGENDA ITEMS

Motion: _____ For: _____

Second: _____ Against: _____ Abstain: _____

School Personnel Present: _____

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Others Present: _____

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Presented for:
Board action ☐ Report/Review Only ☒

Supporting documents:
None ☒ Attached ☐ Provided Later ☐

Contact Person(s):
Board President and Dr. Monte Geren

Background Information:
LVISD POLICY BED (LOCAL) -- Public Participation: At regular meetings the Board shall allot 30 minutes to hear persons who desire to make comments to the Board. Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting shall sign up with the presiding officer or designee before the meeting begins and shall indicate the topic about which they wish to speak.

Limit on Participation: Audience participation is limited to the portion of the meeting designated for that purpose. At all other times during a Board meeting, the audience shall not enter into discussion or debate on matters being considered by the Board, unless recognized by the presiding officer. No presentation shall exceed five (5) minutes. Delegations of more than five persons shall appoint one person to present their views before the Board.

Board's Response—Specific factual information or recitation of existing policy may be furnished in response to inquiries, but the Board shall not deliberate or decide regarding any subject that is not included on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting.

Complaints and Concerns—Complaints and concerns for which other resolution channels are provided shall be directed through those channels. The presiding officer or designee shall determine whether a person who wishes to address the Board has attempted to solve a matter administratively. If not, the person shall be directed to the appropriate policy to seek resolution before bringing the matter to the Board at a subsequent meeting.

Fiscal Implication:
N/A

Administrative Recommendation:
N/A

RECOGNITION ITEMS

Presented for:
Board action ☐ Report/Review Only ☒

Supporting documents:
None ☒ Attached ☐ Provided Later ☐

Contact Person:
Dr. Monte Geren

Background Information:
This portion of the board meeting is reserved to recognize students and staff for exemplary accomplishments beyond the District level.

Fiscal Implication:
N/A

Administrative Recommendation:
N/A

SPECIAL REPORTS

1. **Construction Report**
2. **Legislative Report**
3. **Superintendent's Information to the Board**

Presented for:
Board action ☐ Report/Review Only ☒

Supporting documents:
None ☒ Attached ☐ Provided Later ☐

Contact Person:
Mr. Gary W. Williams, Dr. Tamra Walthall, Dr. Monte Geren, and LVISD Administrators

Background Information:
This portion of the board meeting is reserved to update the Board of Trustees on construction projects, legislative issues, and information from the Superintendent's Office.

Fiscal Implication:
N/A

Administrative Recommendation:
N/A

La Vega ISD
Primary School
Construction Status
September 16, 2005

Work Item	Status		
	7/19/05	8/15/05	9/16/05
• Sanitary Sewer:	60%	90%	95%
• Storm Water:	60%	90%	90%
• Site Work	40%	40%	40%
• Concrete Grade Beams:	15%	30%	100%
• Concrete Floor Slab:	N/A	N/A	74%
• Bus Loop:	N/A	N/A	NA
• U. G Electrical:	60%	80%	90%
• U. G. Plumbing:	60%	80%	90%
• Remodel Interior CPA	60%	60%	65%
• Structural Steel			25%

Lost Time to Date:

- 8 Weather days, 3 Cement ration days = Total of 11 days.

La Vega ISD
Elementary School
Construction Status
September 15, 2005

Item of Work	Status		
	7/19/05	8/15/05	9/15/05
• Fire Line Main:	60%	60%	60%
• Sanitary Sewer:	70%	70%	95%
• Storm Water:	70%	70%	70%
• Site Work	15 %	15%	15%
• Concrete Floor Slab:	44%	**100%**	**100%**
• Bus Loop:	15%	15%	15%
• U. G Electrical:	90%	90%	90%
• U. G. Plumbing:	90%	90%	95%
• Masonry	1%	20%	30%
• Structural Steel			70%
• Metal Stud Framing			49%

- **Lost time to date:**
- 6 Weather days, 2 Cement ration days = Total of 8 days.

La Vega ISD
High School
Construction Status
September 15, 2005

Work Item	Status 9/15/05
• Site Work	90%
• Utility Relocation:	20%
• Drilled Piers	NA
• Sanitary Sewer:	NA
• Storm Water:	NA
• U. G Electrical:	NA
• U. G. Plumbing:	NA
• Concrete Grade Beams:	NA
• Concrete Floor Slab:	NA

Lost Time to Date:
None to date.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Presented for:
Board action ☐ Report/Review Only ☒

Supporting documents:
None ☒ Attached ☐ Provided Later ☐

Contact Person:
N/A

Background Information:
This portion of the meeting is to allow district personnel to provide reports to the Board of Trustees.

Fiscal Implication:
N/A

Administrative Recommendation:
This report is being provided for informational purposes.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Minutes for Meeting(s) Held

Presented for:
Board action ☒ Report/Review Only ☐

Supporting documents:
None ☐ Attached ☒ Provided Later ☐

Contact Person:
Dr. Monte Geren or Lori Mynarcik

Background Information:
The Board shall prepare and retain minutes or make a tape recording of each of its open meetings. The minutes shall state the subject matter of each deliberation and shall indicate each vote, order, decision, or other action taken by the Board. The minutes or tapes are public records and shall be made available for public inspection and copying on request to the Superintendent or designee.

Fiscal Implication:
N/A

Administrative Recommendation:
Board review and approval.

Motion: _____

Second: _____

For: _____

Against: _____

Abstain: _____

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Office of the Superintendent

La Vega I.S.D. Board of Trustees
Minutes of the Called Meeting
August 9, 2005

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT – Phil Bancale, Mildred Watkins, Rodney Outlaw, Dr. Tamra Walthall, Henry C. Jennings, and Kevin P. Harris.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT – Randy Devorsky.

SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT – Dr. Monte Geren, Gary W. Williams, Dr. Sharon M. Shields, Al Bishop, Charles Langlotz, Cliff Brown, Elicia Krumnow, Bryant Adams, and Lori Mynarcik.

OTHERS PRESENT – Paul Svacek, Eddie Mazanec, and Cameron Morris.

CALLED TO ORDER - Mr. Phil Bancale, Board President, established a quorum and brought the board meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Dr. Sharon M. Shields, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

APPROVED LISTING OF AGENDA ITEMS - Motioned by Mr. Outlaw and seconded by Mr. Jennings, the Board unanimously approved the listing of agenda items.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

2005 Accountability Ratings - Dr. Shields provided a report on the 2005 District and Campus Accountability Ratings. The ratings are as follows:

District Rating: Academically Acceptable
La Vega High School: Academically Acceptable
McLennan County Challenge Academy: Not Rated
Bill Logue Juvenile Detention: Not Rated
La Vega Junior High School George Dixon Campus: Academically Acceptable
La Vega Intermediate School H. P. Miles Campus: Academically Unacceptable
La Vega Elementary School: Recognized
La Vega Primary Center: Recognized

Personnel Items

Personnel Resignations, Contract Renewals, and Contract Recommendations - Motioned by Mr. Harris and seconded by Mrs. Watkins, the Board unanimously approved the following personnel items:

- The Probationary Contracts for Lauren Male' and Joseph Tyus;
- A One-Year Term Contract for Professional or Administrator Position not Requiring Certification for Stephanie Hammond; and
- The resignation of Mark Dawson.

Elective Course Offerings at La Vega Junior High School George Dixon Campus - Motioned by Dr. Walthall and seconded by Mrs. Watkins, the Board unanimously approved the following additional elective course offerings at La Vega Junior High School George Dixon Campus: Conversational Spanish, Web Mastering, Introduction to Drafting, and Newspaper.

Contract for Construction and Renovations at La Vega High School - Board Member and Administrators reviewed estimated costs for the La Vega High School Additions and Renovations.

Budget Workshop - Mr. Gary W. Williams, Deputy Superintendent for Support Services, and Mr. Charles Langlotz, Director of Finance, conducted a budget workshop for the 2005-2006 Budget.

CLOSED MEETING - None.

ADJOURNMENT - On a motion by Mr. Jennings and seconded by Mr. Harris, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn the called meeting at 8:53 p.m. on August 9, 2005.

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Date of Board Approval

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President, La Vega I.S.D. Board of Trustees

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La Vega I.S.D. Board of Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
August 16, 2005

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT - Phil Bancale, Mildred Watkins, Rodney Outlaw, Dr. Tamra Walthall, Kevin Harris, and Henry C. Jennings (arrived at 8:00 p.m.).

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT – Randy Devorsky.

SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT - Dr. Monte Geren, Gary W. Williams, Dr. Sharon M. Shields, Al Bishop, Cliff Brown, Charles Langlotz, Tammy Brinkman, Peggy Johnson, Patricia Harvey, and Lori Mynarcik.

OTHERS PRESENT - Paul Svacek, MikeKing, Cameron Morris, Steve Harvey, and Refugia E. Lara.

CALLED TO ORDER AND OPENING CEREMONY - Board President Phil Bancale established a quorum and brought the board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Tammy Brinkman, Principal at La Vega Primary Center, led the Pledge to the United States Flag and the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

APPROVED LISTING OF AGENDA ITEMS - Motioned by Mr. Outlaw and seconded by Mr. Harris, the Board unanimously approved the listing of agenda items.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None.

RECOGNITION ITEMS - None.

SPECIAL REPORTS - Board Members were given the following reports.

Construction Report - Mr. Cliff Brown, Director of Construction, provided a report on current construction projects.

Legislative Report - Dr. Tamra Walthall, the Board's legislative liaison, provided a legislative report.

Superintendent's Information to the Board - Dr. Geren, Superintendent, updated the Board on calendar and other miscellaneous items.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

JR3 Employees and Retire / Rehire - Mr. Al Bishop, Executive Director for Personnel and Administrative Services, provided a report on SB 1691 and its affect on the District's ability to hire employees through JR3. The legislature recently enacted laws that affected the employment of retired teachers. For the past few years, LVISD has employed retired educators through JR3, an independent personnel company. According to the rulings and interpretations now in place, the new laws will not affect LVISD's ability to employ retired professional personnel.

Report on Kindergarten, First, and Second Grade Reading Assessment for 2004-2005 - Ms. Tammy Brinkman, LVPC Principal, and Ms. Peggy Johnson, LVES Principal, provided reports on student performance on the state mandated reading assessment, which was administered during the 2004-2005 school year for students in Grades K-2. All grade levels had significant improvements.

APPROVED CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - On a motion by Dr. Walthall and seconded by Mrs. Watkins, the Board unanimously approved the following Consent Agenda items:

- The minutes for the July 25, 2005 regular board meeting;
- The resignation of Lewis Cass;
- The One-Year Term Contract for Professional or Administrator Position Not Requiring Certification for Stacy Catero;
- The employment of Lewis Cass through JR3;
- The Monthly Budget Analysis Reports for the period ending on July 31, 2005;
- The Tax Collection Reports for the period ending on July 31, 2005; and
- The Academic and Athletic Stipend Schedules for 2005-2006.

ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS - The following items were considered and/or approved by the Board of Trustees.

Awarded Contract for Construction of Renovations at La Vega High School - Motioned by Mr. Outlaw and seconded by Mr. Jennings, the Board awarded a contract with Mazanec Construction Co., Inc. in the total amount of $1,904,508.00 for the additions and renovations at La Vega High School (Bancale, Harris, Jennings, Outlaw, and Watkins voting for the motion; Walthall voting against the motion).

Authorization of Short Term Loan - On a motion by Mr. Harris and seconded by Mr. Jennings, the Board authorized the district to borrow up to $1 million from American Bank for the purpose of meeting short-term financial obligations (Bancale, Harris, Jennings, Outlaw, and Watkins voting for the motion; Walthall voting against the motion).

The Texas Legislature, in a cost-avoidance measure two years ago, chose to delay the August payment to school districts until the early part of September. The purpose in delaying this payment was to shift the expense from one fiscal year to the following one, thus artificially reducing expenditures in one year and balancing the state budget. As a result of this accounting procedure, the district will experience a temporary cash shortfall until the funds are received. The best financial practice to alleviate this cash shortage is a short-term loan. The District's current depository contract allows for such a loan. The interest rate on the funds would be 75% of the current prime lending rate (approximately 4.6875%). The funds are needed for a very short period of time.

Take Record Vote on the 2005-2006 Tax Rate and Announcement of Public Hearing on the Budget - Mr. Jennings made the following motion: "I move that property taxes be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of $1.7975." Dr. Walthall seconded the motion, and the Board voted as follows:

Mr. Bancale - For
Mrs. Watkins - For
Mr. Outlaw - For
Dr. Walthall - For
Mrs. Watkins - For
Mr. Jennings - For

Mr. Phil Bancale, Board President, made the following announcement: "The La Vega Independent School District will hold a public hearing on its 2005-2006 Budget on August 30, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Building at 3100 Bellmead Drive, Bellmead, Texas. The District will adopt its 2005-2006 budget and set the tax rate at this meeting.

BUDGET WORKSHOP - Mr. Gary W. Williams, Deputy Superintendent for Support Services, provided an update on the 2005-2006 Budget.

CLOSED MEETING - A closed session of the Board was declared at 9:10 p.m. on August 16, 2005 as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.074, to discuss personnel or to hear complaints against personnel. The closed meeting ended at 9:25 p.m. on August 16, 2005.

ADJOURNMENT - On a motion by Mr. Jennings and seconded by Mr. Harris, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. on August 16, 2005.

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Date of Board Approval

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La Vega I.S.D. Board of Trustees
Minutes of the Called Meeting
August 30, 2005

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT – Mildred Watkins, Rodney Outlaw, Dr. Tamra Walthall, and Henry C. Jennings.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT – Randy Devorsky, Phil Bancale, and Kevin P. Harris.

SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT – Dr. Monte Geren, Gary W. Williams, Dr. Sharon M. Shields, Al Bishop, Charles Langlotz, and Lori Mynarcik.

OTHERS PRESENT – Roy Walthall.

CALLED TO ORDER - Mrs. Mildred Watkins, Board Vice President, established a quorum and brought the board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Al Bishop, Executive Director for Personnel and Administrative Services, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

APPROVED LISTING OF AGENDA ITEMS - Motioned by Mr. Outlaw and seconded by Mr. Jennings, the Board unanimously approved the listing of agenda items.

PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS 2005-2006 BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE - A public hearing was conducted on the 2005-2006 Budget and Proposed Tax Rate. The hearing was declared open at 7:01 p.m. and was closed at 7:26 p.m. A summary of the major features of the 2005-2006 Budget is attached to the official minutes of this meeting. Mr. Roy Walthall also told the Board Members that the state made a covenant to aid public school districts and that covenant has been broken. He said that school officials have the task of getting this word out to the public.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Personnel Items - Motioned by Dr. Walthall and seconded by Mr. Outlaw, the Board unanimously approved the job description for Technology Assistant - Network Manager, and the LVISD Paygrade Chart for 2005-2006. Mr. Bishop told Board Members that the position for Instructional Facilitator for Technology will not be filled at this time due to budget constraints. He also told the Board that the administration is recommending the employment of the Director of Special Programs. Dr. Walthall then made a motion to approve the contract recommendation of Maria Green as the Director of Special Programs. Mr. Outlaw seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Approved Amended Budget for 2004-2005 - On a motion by Mr. Outlaw and seconded by Mr. Jennings, the Board unanimously approved the Final Amended Budget for 2004-2005.

Approved 2005-2006 Official Budget - Motioned by Mr. Jennings and seconded by Dr. Walthall, the Board unanimously approved the 2005-2006 Budget as presented.

Tax Rate Ordinance for 2005-2006 - Mr. Jennings made a motion that the Board adopt a tax rate of $1.5000 for Maintenance and Operations and $.2975 for Debt Service, for a total tax rate of $1.7975. Mr. Outlaw seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

CLOSED MEETING - A closed session of the Board was declared at 7:40 p.m. on August 30, 2005 as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.074 to discuss personnel or to hear complaints against personnel. The closed meeting ended at 7:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT - On a motion by Mr. Jennings and seconded by Mr. Outlaw, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn the called meeting at 7:45 p.m. on August 30, 2005.

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Date of Board Approval

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President, La Vega I.S.D. Board of Trustees

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Secretary, La Vega I.S.D. Board of Trustees

Tax Collection Report

Presented for:
Board action ☒ Report/Review Only ☐

Supporting documents:
None ☐ Attached ☒ Provided Later ☐

Contact Person:
Gary W. Williams

Background Information:
The District contracts with the McLennan County Tax Office for the collection of taxes. As a part of this service, the County Tax Office supplies us with a monthly cumulative summary of taxes collected. This report is submitted as a part of each month's Consent Agenda.

Fiscal Implication:
The "Tax Collector Monthly Report" shows cumulative payments and percent collected for both current and delinquent taxes.

Administrative Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Board approve the Tax Collection Monthly Report as submitted.

Motion: _____

Second: _____

For: _____

Against: _____

Abstain: _____

YEAR	FUND	TAX RATE	LEVY PAID	DISCOUNT GIVEN	PENALTY INTEREST	TIF AMOUNT	DISBURSE TOTAL	ATTORNEY	OTHER FEES	REFUND AMOUNT	PAYMENT AMOUNT
2004	M & O	1.482500	46,012.11-	.00	4,196.49	.00	41,815.62-	4,577.23	.00	.00	37,238.39-
	I & S	.237500	7,371.24-	.00	672.29	.00	6,698.95-	.00	.00	.00	6,698.95-
	TOTAL	1.720000	53,383.35-	.00	4,868.78	.00	48,514.57-	4,577.23	.00	.00	43,937.34-
2003	M & O	1.482500	3,731.94	.00	1,088.22	.00	4,820.16	702.10	.00	.00	5,522.26
	I & S	.057500	144.73	.00	42.21	.00	186.94	.00	.00	.00	186.94
	TOTAL	1.540000	3,876.67	.00	1,130.43	.00	5,007.10	702.10	.00	.00	5,709.20
2002	M & O	1.448000	445.64	.00	190.74	.00	636.38	99.42	.00	.00	735.80
	I & S	.060000	18.47	.00	7.89	.00	26.36	.00	.00	.00	26.36
	TOTAL	1.508000	464.11	.00	198.63	.00	662.74	99.42	.00	.00	762.16
2001	M & O	1.466000	76.50	.00	42.09	.00	118.59	18.64	.00	.00	137.23
	I & S	.070000	3.64	.00	2.00	.00	5.64	.00	.00	.00	5.64
	TOTAL	1.536000	80.14	.00	44.09	.00	124.23	18.64	.00	.00	142.87
2000	M & O	1.466000	45.14	.00	30.25	.00	75.39	11.84	.00	.00	87.23
	I & S	.070000	2.15	.00	1.44	.00	3.59	.00	.00	.00	3.59
	TOTAL	1.536000	47.29	.00	31.69	.00	78.98	11.84	.00	.00	90.82
1999	M & O	1.436000	75.92	.00	59.98	.00	135.90	21.80	.00	.00	157.70
	I & S	.100000	5.29	.00	4.18	.00	9.47	.00	.00	.00	9.47
	TOTAL	1.536000	81.21	.00	64.16	.00	145.37	21.80	.00	.00	167.17
1998	M & O	1.200547	22.25	.00	20.25	.00	42.50	7.99	.00	.00	50.49
	I & S	.305453	5.66	.00	5.15	.00	10.81	.00	.00	.00	10.81
	TOTAL	1.506000	27.91	.00	25.40	.00	53.31	7.99	.00	.00	61.30
1997	M & O	1.197531	8.81	.00	9.07	.00	17.88	3.37	.00	.00	21.25
	I & S	.308469	2.27	.00	2.34	.00	4.61	.00	.00	.00	4.61
	TOTAL	1.506000	11.08	.00	11.41	.00	22.49	3.37	.00	.00	25.86
1996	M & O	1.143031	44.99	.00	51.32	.00	96.31	19.04	.00	.00	115.35
	I & S	.362969	14.28	.00	16.30	.00	30.58	.00	.00	.00	30.58
	TOTAL	1.506000	59.27	.00	67.62	.00	126.89	19.04	.00	.00	145.93
1995	M & O	1.161126	19.88	.00	25.04	.00	44.92	8.74	.00	.00	53.66
	I & S	.344874	5.90	.00	7.44	.00	13.34	.00	.00	.00	13.34
	TOTAL	1.506000	25.78	.00	32.48	.00	58.26	8.74	.00	.00	67.00
1992	M & O	.045900	.09	.00	.15	.00	.24	.36	.00	.00	.60
	I & S	.416700	.83	.00	1.35	.00	2.18	.00	.00	.00	2.18
	TOTAL	.462600	.92	.00	1.50	.00	2.42	.36	.00	.00	2.78
1985	M & O	.570000	2.49	.00	6.15	.00	8.64	2.50	.00	.00	11.14
	I & S	.530000	2.31	.00	5.71	.00	8.02	.00	.00	.00	8.02
	TOTAL	1.100000	4.80	.00	11.86	.00	16.66	2.50	.00	.00	19.16

JURISDICTION: 0028 LA VEGA ISD

	CERT TAXABLE VALUE	ADJUSTMENTS	ADJ TAX VALUE	TAX RATE	TAX LEVY	PAID ACCTS
CURRENT YEAR	402,288,179	8,183,795-	394,104,384	1.720000	6,566,492.68	6,314

YEAR	TAXES DUE	MONTH ADJ	ADJUSTMENT YTD	LEVY PAID	PAID YTD	BALANCE	COLL %	YTD UNCOLL
2004	6,715,424.89	80,169.64-	148,932.21-	53,383.35-	6,352,875.54	213,617.14	96.75	21.08-
2003	172,067.25	.00	63,898.79-	3,876.67	32,573.42	75,595.04	30.11	18.87-
2002	66,253.24	.00	20,099.68-	464.11	749.00-	46,902.56	1.62-	22.54-
2001	35,158.99	.00	11,718.46-	80.14	5,109.46-	28,549.99	21.80-	18.82-
2000	60,565.41	.00	29,625.88-	47.29	27,212.53-	58,152.06	87.95-	18.82-
1999	22,820.44	.00	52,650.06-	81.21	51,068.12-	21,238.50	71.20	324.48-
1998	19,923.28	.00	41,969.37-	27.91	41,189.31-	19,143.22	86.83	18.45-
1997	16,308.77	.00	147.60-	11.08	333.34	15,827.83	2.06	18.45-
1996	20,512.29	.00	18.45-	59.27	535.57	19,958.27	2.61	18.45-
1995	14,357.39	.00	147.60-	25.78	669.76	13,540.03	4.71	18.45-
1994	13,173.29	.00	3,483.07-	0.00	337.18	9,353.04	3.48	18.45-
1993	11,859.92	.00	18.45-	0.00	209.90	11,631.57	1.77	18.45-
1992	2,763.46	.00	5.66-	0.92	72.80	2,685.00	2.64	5.66-
1991	2,761.00	.00	6.13-	0.00	74.09	2,684.66	2.69	6.13-
1990	6,511.88	.00	16.34-	0.00	372.98	6,122.56	5.74	16.34-
1989	5,603.58	.00	16.34-	0.00	355.67	5,231.57	6.37	16.34-
1988	5,245.74	.00	16.38-	0.00	256.68	4,972.68	4.91	16.38-
1987	4,627.94	.00	14.91-	0.00	128.11	4,484.92	2.78	14.91-
1986	3,683.41	.00	14.92-	0.00	32.99	3,635.50	.90	14.92-
1985	3,139.80	.00	9.94-	4.80	19.18	3,110.68	.61	9.94-
1984	3,075.98	.00	1,547.78-	0.00	7.51	1,520.69	.49	0.00
1983	13,766.19	.00	827.62-	0.00	93.14	12,845.43	.72	75.82-
****	7,219,608.02	80,169.64-	375,185.64-	48,704.17-	6,263,619.44	580,802.94		0.00

RENDITIONS

YEAR	FUND	LEVY PAID	DISCOUNT GIVEN	PENALTY INTEREST	TIF AMOUNT	DISBURSE TOTAL	ATTORNEY	OTHER FEES	REFUND AMOUNT	PAYMENT AMOUNT
2004	M & O	2.21	.00	.00	.00	2.21	.00	.00	.00	2.21
	I & S	.35	.00	.00	.00	.35	.00	.00	.00	.35
	TOTAL	2.56	.00	.00	.00	2.56	.00	.00	.00	2.56
ALL	M & O	2.21	.00	.00	.00	2.21	.00	.00	.00	2.21
ALL	I & S	.35	.00	.00	.00	.35	.00	.00	.00	.35
ALL	TOTAL	2.56	.00	.00	.00	2.56	.00	.00	.00	2.56
DLQ	M & O	2.21	.00	.00	.00	2.21	.00	.00	.00	2.21
DLQ	I & S	.35	.00	.00	.00	.35	.00	.00	.00	.35
DLQ	TOTAL	2.56	.00	.00	.00	2.56	.00	.00	.00	2.56
CURR	M & O	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
CURR	I & S	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
CURR	TOTAL	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00

YEAR	FUND	TAX RATE	LEVY PAID	DISCOUNT GIVEN	PENALTY INTEREST	TIF AMOUNT	DISBURSE TOTAL	ATTORNEY	OTHER FEES	REFUND AMOUNT	PAYMENT AMOUNT
ALL	M & O		41,538.46-	.00	5,719.75	.00	35,818.71-	5,473.03	.00	.00	30,345.68-
ALL	I & S		7,165.71-	.00	768.30	.00	6,397.41-	.00	.00	.00	6,397.41-
ALL	TOTAL		48,704.17-	.00	6,488.05	.00	42,216.12-	5,473.03	.00	.00	36,743.09-
DLQ	M & O		4,473.65	.00	1,523.26	.00	5,996.91	895.80	.00	.00	6,892.71
DLQ	I & S		205.53	.00	96.01	.00	301.54	.00	.00	.00	301.54
DLQ	TOTAL		4,679.18	.00	1,619.27	.00	6,298.45	895.80	.00	.00	7,194.25
CURR	M & O		46,012.11-	.00	4,196.49	.00	41,815.62-	4,577.23	.00	.00	37,238.39-
CURR	I & S		7,371.24-	.00	672.29	.00	6,698.95-	.00	.00	.00	6,698.95-
CURR	TOTAL		53,383.35-	.00	4,868.78	.00	48,514.57-	4,577.23	.00	.00	43,937.34-

JURISDICTION: 0006 LA VEGA ISD

	CERT TAXABLE VALUE	ADJUSTMENTS	ADJ TAX VALUE	TAX RATE	TAX LEVY	PAID ACCTS
CURRENT YEAR	0	0	0	1.000000	1,698.06	63

YEAR	TAXES DUE	MONTH ADJ	ADJUSTMENT YTD	LEVY PAID	PAID YTD	BALANCE	COLL %	YTD UNCOLL
1983	1,698.06	.00	52.54-	0.00	0.25	1,645.27	.02	52.54-
****	1,698.06	.00	52.54-	0.00	0.25	1,645.27		0.00

YEAR	DEPOSIT	ACCOUNT NUMBER	EFF YR/MO	LEVY PAID	DISCOUNT GIVEN	PENALTY INTEREST	ATTORNEY	CAUSE /REV	REFUND AMOUNT	PAYMENT AMOUNT
1991	05081902	18-003300-094300-7	200508	9.67	0.00	16.92	3.99		0.00	30.58
1991	UNCL0831	28-B11980-6	200508	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
1991	050824RS	34-134000-050900-3	200508	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
1991	RS050826	48-010000-004300-0	200503	6.94	0.00	11.79	2.81		0.00	21.54
		1991 TOTAL		16.61	0.00	28.71	6.80		0.00	52.12
1992	05081902	18-003300-094300-7	200508	10.71	0.00	17.46	4.23		0.00	32.40
1992	05083005	28-027101-000600-0	200508	1.83	0.00	2.99	0.73		0.00	5.55
1992	UNCL0831	28-B11980-6	200508	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
1992	050824RS	34-134000-050900-3	200508	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
1992	RS050826	48-010000-004300-0	200503	7.69	0.00	12.15	2.97		0.00	22.81
1992	05083103	50-065600-000103-6	200508	43.57	0.00	71.03	17.19		0.00	131.79
		1992 TOTAL		63.80	0.00	103.63	25.12		0.00	192.55
		TOTAL PAYMENTS		80.41	0.00	132.34	31.92		0.00	244.67

1.83 2.99 = 5.55 TOTAL Coll

Reading First Grant Update

Presented for:
Board action ☒ Report/Review Only ☒ Date: September 20, 2005

Supporting documents:
None ☐ Attached ☒ Provided Later ☐

Contact Person:
Sharon M. Shields

Background Information:
La Vega Primary Center and La Vega Elementary School received the Texas Reading First Initiative for Grades K-3 Continuation Funding Grant. This begins the third year that these two campuses will have received this grant. Originally, this grant was scheduled for a six-year continuation period. However there has been discussion of shorting the number of years this grant will cover. Although the grant is scheduled to cover a six-year period, each year we must reapply and qualify for the grant. A significant qualifying factor is that the campuses must continue to demonstrate reading achievement progress as measured by the Texas Primary Reading Inventory (TPRI), Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS), and or Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) assessments. The fiscal year of the grant is scheduled to begin August 1, 2005 through July 31, 2006. The grant will continue to fund the reading personnel, supplies, and staff development that is currently in place.

The Reading First grant annually provides $352,025.00 that is share between the two campuses.

Fiscal Implication:
$2,112,150.00 over 6 years - Reading First Grant

Administrative Recommendation:
The administration recommends the Board accepts the funding and terms specified in the Texas Reading First Initiative for Grades K-3 Cycle 1 Year 3 Continuation Funding Grant.

Motion: _____

Second: _____

For: _____

Against: _____

Abstain: _____

Texas Education Agency

NOGA ID: 056455057110041

Organization: La Vega ISD
County-District: 161906
Vendor ID: 1- 746000340
Campus/School: Not Applicable
ESC Region: 12
School Year: 2006

Notice of Grant Award

SAS # A770-06

Amendment Number:

Name of Grant Program	FAR Fund Code	FAR Rev Code	CFDA #	Federal Aid Agency	TEA USE Only	Begin Date	End Date	Increase (Decrease)	Amount
READING FIRST GRANTS - CYCLE 1, YEAR 3	261	5929	84.357A	USDE	64550505	8/1/2005	7/31/2006	$0.00	$352,025.00
								NOGA Total:	$352,025.00

An amount of $35,202.50 has been reserved for the Notice of Grant Award and will not be disbursed to the subgrantee until TEA has received the final expenditure report and/or final documents required under this grant.

Application and any amendment thereto identified above, Received Date/ Document Control Number/ Application ID 5/18/2005 as revised or negotiated by the Texas Education Agency (TEA), is hereby incorporated by reference and, therefore, made a part of this grant award. Also incorporated by reference into this grant award are the Provisions and Assurances contained in the incorporated application, the Request for Application (if applicable), the instructions to completing the Standard Application System (SAS), any guidelines which accompany the application, including program and fiscal guidelines, and any and all attachments or appendices submitted by the applicant or included by TEA. This grant is made contingent upon the availability of funds from the funding entity to the Texas Education Agency for distribution to the subgrantee named above. If funding is not received, TEA assumes no liability for costs incurred by the grant recipient.

Offer Accepted by Grantee	Approval ID of the Commissioner of Education or Designee Texas Education Agency	Date
The signature of the applicant's authorized officer contained on the applicant's application or amended application referred to above, is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this grant award.	Robert Scott	4/27/05

Textbook Update

Presented for:
Board action ☐ Report/Review Only ☒ Date: September 20, 2005

Supporting documents:
None ☒ Attached ☐ Provided Later ☐

Contact Person:
Dr. Sharon M. Shields

Background Information:
All textbooks for the 2005-2006 school year have been ordered. Campus textbook coordinators are submitting supplemental textbook requests, as necessary. Textbook requests are being ordered as soon as possible.

Fiscal Implication:
None. Textbooks selected will be provided by the state.

Administrative Recommendation:
Report only.

Approve Resolution Regarding Extracurricular Status of the 4-H Organization and Recognize Texas Cooperative Extension Staff Members as Adjunct Faculty Members of La Vega ISD

Presented for:
Board action ☒ Report/Review Only ☐

Supporting documents:
None ☐ Attached ☒ Provided Later ☐

Contact Person:
Dr. Monte Geren

Background Information:
Attached.

Fiscal Implication:
N/A

Administrative Recommendation:
Board approval.

Motion: _____

Second: _____

For: _____

Against: _____

Abstain: _____

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August 24, 2005

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LaVega ISD
Dr. Monte Geren
3100 Bellmead Drive
Waco, TX. 76705

Dear Dr. Geren:

On behalf of the 4-H members of McLennan County, we hereby respectfully request that the 4-H organization, by the attached resolution, be sanctioned as an extracurricular activity. The enclosed RESOLUTION should be presented for consideration at the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of the LaVega ISD. We further request that Texas Cooperative Extension staff members be recognized as adjunct faculty members of LaVega ISD. Please direct any questions regarding this information to our office in a timely manner so that we may prepare and present an appropriate response so as not to delay action on this request.

Finally, we request that a signed copy of the Adjunct Faculty Agreement and RESOLUTION along with a copy of the minutes of the Board meeting be forwarded to us for our files.

If you have any questions, please call our office at the above number. Thank you and members of your Board of Trustees for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Kim Miles
County Extension Agent - 4-H
McLennan County

Alfornette Holloway-Timms
County Extension Agent - FRM
McLennan County

Donald Kelm
County Extension Agent - AG
McLennan County

Sharon Amelunke
County Extension Agent - FCS
McLennan County

Will Kiker
County Extension Agent - NR
McLennan County

Enclosures

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RESOLUTION
regarding
EXTRACURRICULAR STATUS OF 4-H ORGANIZATION

Be it hereby resolved that upon this date the duly elected Board of Trustees of the La Vega Independent School District
(Complete name of school district)
meeting in public with a quorum present and certified did adopt this resolution that recognizes the **McLennan** County Texas 4-H Organization as approved for recognition and eligible for extracurricular status consideration under 19 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 76.1, pertaining to extracurricular activities. Participation by 4-H members under provisions of this resolution are subject to all rules and regulations set forth under the 19 Texas Administrative Code as interpreted by this Board and designated officials of this school district whose rulings shall be final.
Approved this 20th day of September, 2005.

_____
(For Board of Trustees)

_____
(Superintendent)

Texas Cooperative
EXTENSION
The Texas A&M University System

MEMORANDUM TO: All Independent School Districts in McLennan County

SUBJECT: STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION RULING

The State Board of Education passed an amendment to 19 TAC 129.21 (K)(1). Requirements for Student Attendance Accounting for State Funding Purposes allows public school students to be considered "in attendance" when participating in off-campus activities with an adjunct staff member of the school district. Section 3 of the Student Attendance Handbook states:

(4-12) 1. The student is participating in an activity which is approved by the local board and is under the direction of a professional staff member of the school district or an adjunct staff member. This adjunct staff member must have a minimum of a bachelor's degree and be eligible for participation in the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.

(4-13) Students participating in any activity which is not approved by the local school board and/or without certified district personnel supervision are counted absent (see 94-12). To qualify for funding purposes, the certified district staff member/adjunct staff member must be accompanying the students as an official of the school district of the specific purpose of supervising the students and must be approved by the school board to supervise the activity. For example, students participating in 4-H activities which are supervised solely by a County Extension Service Agent are reported present.

This amendment provides local school boards the opportunity to recognize county Extension agents as adjunct staff members and to count students participating in 4-H/Extension educational activities "in attendance for Foundation School Program purposes."

McLennan County requests adjunct staff member status for the county Extension agents for the school year 2005-2006. The following faculty are eligible for participation in the Teacher Retirement System of Texas and have a minimum of a bachelor's degree.

Name	Title	Degree	Date	Institution
Kim Miles	County Extension Agent-4-H	B.S. Human Sciences Education	1997	Tarleton State University
		M.S. Family Studies	2004	Texas Woman's University
Alfornette Holloway-Timms	County Extension Agent - FRM	B.S. Social Work	1992	Texas Woman's University
		M.S. Social Work	2001	University of Texas at Arlington
Donald Kelm	County Extension Agent-AG	B.S. Animal Science	1986	Texas A&M University
		M.S. Animal Science	1987	Sam Houston State University
Will Kiker	County Extension Agent - NR	B.S. Animal Science	2001	San Angelo State University
		M.S. Animal Science	2003	San Angelo State University
Sharon Amelunke	County Extension Agent-FCS	B.S. Home Economics	1974	Baylor University
		M.S. Home Economics	1977	Texas Tech University

I hope that your school district will accept this request. Please let me know if you would like to schedule an appointment to discuss the amendment and request or if you need further information.

Sincerely,

Kim Miles
County Extension Agent
4-H Coordinator

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The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperatin

ADJUNCT FACULTY AGREEMENT

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF McLennan

On this date, at regularly scheduled and posted meeting, came the Board of Trustees of the La Vega Independent School District, hereinafter referred to as "District." A quorum having been established, the Board proceeded to consider the appointment of the herein named individual(s) as an adjunct faculty member of the La Vega Independent School District.

Upon consideration and vote of _____ in favor to _____ opposed to, the McLennan County Extension staff is hereby named as adjunct faculty member(s) of the La Vega Independent School District subject to the following conditions and provisions of such appointment, to wit:

1. This appointment shall commence on the 11th day of August and end on the day 25th of May, being the end of the 2005-2006 academic year.

2. Adjunct faculty member will receive no compensation, salary, or remuneration from La Vega Independent School District.

3. Adjunct faculty member is and shall remain an employee, in good standing, of the Texas Cooperative Extension.

4. Adjunct faculty member shall be under the direct supervision of the District Extension Administrator of District 8, Texas Cooperative Extension

5. Adjunct faculty member shall receive all group insurance benefits, workman's compensation insurance benefits, unemployment insurance, and any and all other plans for the benefit of Texas Cooperative Extension employees. District shall have no responsibility for any of such benefits or plans.

Adjunct faculty member shall direct the activities and participation of students of the school district in sponsored and approved activities as designated from time to time by adjunct faculty member of which notice shall be given to School District administrative personnel. Adjunct faculty members' activities and participation with students of the School District are directed, supervised, and controlled by and through supervisory personnel of Texas Cooperative Extension pursuant to the supervisory authority of the District Extension Administrator. Adjunct faculty member is not the employee of School District, and School District does not nor shall not supervise, direct or control the activities and/or participation of such McLennan County Extension Agents who have been herein designated as an adjunct faculty member.

This appointment is made by Independent School District by and through the Board of Trustees of said district for the benefit of allowing voluntary student participation in programs conducted by Texas Cooperative Extension in recognition of the educational benefits arising from such participation and activities and/or directed by Texas Cooperative Extension. This appointment is made in accordance with provisions of Section 129.21 (k)(1) of the Texas Administrative Code authorizing the school to deem such participating students in attendance for foundation school program purposes.

This appointment of the herein named McLennan County Extension Agents (Texas Cooperative Extension employees) are not intended nor shall be construed as a waiver of any claim or defense of sovereign or governmental immunity from liability now possessed by La Vega Independent School District or any of its employees, agents, officers, and/or board members in the performance of governmental functions.

Signed this 20th day of September, 2005.

La Vega Independent School District

By: _____

Its: _____

Adjunct Faculty Appointment Accepted By:

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County Extension Agents

Approved:

_____

By: District Extension Administrator,___
Texas Cooperative Extension

Consider Nomination Of Candidates For The Mclennan County Appraisal District Board Of Directors

Presented for:
Board action ☒ Report/Review Only ☐ Consent Agenda Item ☐

Supporting documents:
None ☐ Attached ☒ Provided Later ☐

Contact Person:
Dr. Monte Geren

Background Information:
See attached.

Fiscal Implication:
N/A

Administrative Recommendation:
N/A

Motion:

Second:

For:

Against:

Abstain:

McLENNAN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

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2006-2007 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
TAXING UNIT VOTING PROCEDURES

McLennan CAD Taxing Units:

It is time again to deliver the voting entitlements, for eligible taxing units, to nominate candidates for the five (5) positions on the McLennan County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

Each taxing unit is entitled to nominate, by resolution adopted by its governing body (sample enclosed), one candidate for **each** of the five (5) positions to be filled on the board of directors. The presiding officer of the governing body of the taxing unit shall submit the name and address of the unit's nominee(s) to the chief appraiser **before** October 15th. Before October 30th, the chief appraiser shall prepare a ballot listing the candidates and shall deliver a copy of the ballot to the presiding officer of each taxing unit that is entitled to vote.

The governing body shall determine its vote by resolution and submit it to the chief appraiser before December 15th. Your voting entitlement may be cast for one candidate or distributed among any number of candidates as the governing body chooses. The chief appraiser will count the votes, declare the five (5) candidates who receive the largest cumulative vote totals elected, and submit the results before December 31st to each governing body.

Please mark these important dates on your calendar for the governance of the McLennan County Appraisal District:

- Before **October 15** Your governing body submits nominee names and addresses, by resolution, to the chief appraiser.
- Before **October 30** The chief appraiser will prepare and deliver a ballot to the presiding officer of your taxing unit.
- Before **December 15** Your governing body will vote by resolution and return the ballot to the chief appraiser.
- Before **December 31** The chief appraiser will send the results of the election to each governing body and to the candidates.

There is a very small window of time to consider this issue. Please make plans at your scheduled meetings to consider and act on this matter. Your vote is very important to the continued dedicated leadership of this board.

I have asked our current board members about their interest in serving another term. Brad Davis, Billy Hubert, Randy Riggs, and Allen Sykes have expressed that they would be willing to serve during the 2006-2007 term. Scott Felton has declined to serve another term. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Waldrop, RPA
Chief Appraiser

September 1, 2005

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MCLENNAN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

2006-2007 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
TAXING UNIT VOTING ENTITLEMENTS

TAXING UNIT	2004 TAX LEVY	PERCENT OF TOTAL LEVY	CALCULATED 2006-2007 TERM VOTES
SCHOOL DISTRICTS			
AXTELL ISD	1,013,779	0.496587%	**25**
BOSQUEVILLE ISD	1,384,859	0.678356%	**35**
BRUCEVILLE-EDDY ISD	1,528,548	0.748740%	**35**
CHINA SPRING ISD	4,902,047	2.401207%	**120**
CONNALLY ISD	5,934,029	2.906710%	**145**
CRAWFORD ISD	1,545,155	0.756875%	**40**
GHOLSON ISD	373,805	0.183104%	**10**
HALLSBURG ISD	990,940	0.485400%	**25**
LA VEGA ISD	6,715,425	3.289467%	**165**
LORENA ISD	4,236,268	2.075083%	**105**
MART ISD	980,900	0.480482%	**25**
McGREGOR ISD	3,310,322	1.621520%	**80**
MIDWAY ISD	37,698,975	18.466374%	**925**
ROBINSON ISD	4,860,311	2.380763%	**120**
WACO ISD	47,322,102	23.180143%	**1,160**
WEST ISD	3,713,664	1.819092%	**90**
COUNTY			
MCLENNAN COUNTY	34,756,900	17.025235%	**850**
CITIES			
BELLMEAD	715,380	0.350420%	**20**
BEVERLY HILLS	161,857	0.079284%	**5**
BRUCEVILLE-EDDY	152,424	0.074663%	**5**
CRAWFORD	83,363	0.040834%	**0**
GHOLSON	51,641	0.025296%	**0**
HEWITT	2,072,385	1.015132%	**50**
LACY-LAKEVIEW	498,175	0.244025%	**10**
LORENA	262,528	0.128596%	**5**
MART	276,651	0.135514%	**5**
McGREGOR	918,025	0.449683%	**20**
MOODY	150,918	0.073925%	**5**
RIESEL*	61,750	0.030247%	**0**
ROBINSON	1,195,027	0.585369%	**30**
WACO	33,233,788	16.279158%	**815**
WEST	317,235	0.155394%	**10**
WOODWAY	2,730,135	1.337323%	**65**
TOTAL	**204,149,311**	**100%**	**5,000**

Calculated using 2005 estimated levy.

TAXING UNIT: _____

Resolution No. _____

RESOLUTION OF CANDIDATE NOMINATIONS FOR THE McLENNAN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE YEARS 2006-2007

WHEREAS, Section 6.03 (f) of the Texas Property Tax Code, requires that each taxing unit entitled to vote may nominate by Resolution one candidate for each of the five positions to be filled and submit those nominations to the Chief Appraiser of the McLennan County Appraisal District before October 15, 2005.

THEREFORE, the _____ submits the following nomination(s) for Board of Directors of the McLennan County Appraisal District for 2006-2007:

1. xxxxxxxxxx
2. xxxxxxxxxx
3. xxxxxxxxxx
4. xxxxxxxxxx
5. xxxxxxxxxx

ACTION TAKEN this _____ day of _____, 2003, in _____ Session of the governing body of the above mentioned taxing unit; as authorized under Section 6.03 of the Texas Property Tax Code, for the purpose of nominating candidates to the Board of Directors of the McLennan County Appraisal District.

_____

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_____

ATTEST:

_____

MCLENNAN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility:
To be eligible to serve, a person must have resided in the appraisal district for at least two (2) years immediately preceding the date of taking office. The person may not be an employee of a taxing entity served by the appraisal district, but may be an elected official or a member of the governing body. A person may not be appointed if related within the second degree of consanguinity (blood) or affinity (marriage) to either an appraiser who appraises property for use in the appraisal district's appraisal review board proceedings or a tax representative who represents taxpayers for compensation before the appraisal district's appraisal review board. Owing delinquent taxes for more than 60 days after the date the person knew or should have known of the delinquency disqualifies a person from serving on the CAD board of directors.

Term:
All directors, other than the county tax assessor collector, serve a two (2) year term beginning on January 1 of an even-numbered year.

Meetings:
Meetings are held at least once a calendar quarter at the convenience of the majority of the board.

Compensation:
Directors may not receive a salary, per diem, or other compensation. The appraisal district may reimburse for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of a director's duties if included in the appraisal district budget.

General Statement of Functions:
The board of directors has the following primary responsibilities:

- Establish the appraisal district's appraisal office;
- Adopt the appraisal district's annual operating budget;
- Contract for necessary services;
- Hire a chief appraiser;
- Hire a taxpayer liaison officer (districts in counties having a population of over 125,000);
- Appoint appraisal review board members; and
- Make general policy on the appraisal district's operation.

The board's authority over appraisals is limited. The board does not appraise property or review values on individual properties. The board has no authority to officially review ARB decisions. The board does have some authority over appraisals through its duties to contract and budget.

Budget Management Resolution

Presented for:
Board action ☒ Report/Review Only ☐

Supporting documents:
None ☒ Attached ☐ Provided Later ☐

Contact Person:
Mr. Gary W. Williams

Background Information:
The budget management process requires that from time to time appropriations have to be adjusted from account to account as needs change during the fiscal year. The Board of Trustees has in the past authorized the Superintendent or the Deputy Superintendent to make these adjustments without submission to the Board of Trustees as long as the adjustments did not increase the overall level of appropriations.

Fiscal Implication:
None

Administrative Recommendation:
The Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees authorize the Superintendent or his designee to approve budget adjustments that do not change the overall level of appropriations.

Motion: _____

Second: _____

For: _____

Against: _____

Approve Additions and Modifications of the La Vega High School and La Vega Junior High School George Dixon Campus Student Handbooks and Student Code of Conduct

Presented for:
Board action ☒ Report/Review Only ☐ Consent Agenda Item ☐ Date: September 20, 2005

Supporting documents:
None ☐ Attached ☒ Provided Later ☐

Contact Person:
AL Bishop

Background Information:
We are beginning to see some signs of "gang" activity in our schools. We would like to strengthen our discipline options with regard to these signs and to try to be pro-active in dealing with these incidents. All of the proposed additions are to help provide a safe environment for our students.

The administration is also recommending a change in the Student Code of Conduct for all campuses that will prohibit all knives or knifelike instruments:

> Mandatory Expulsion for Serious Offenses A.2.b. - Knives, including any instrument that has a knifelike blade, i.e. fingernail clippers, fingernail file, etc.

This section currently states: Knives, including pocket knives, that have a blade in excess of two and one-half inches long; for students on the Alternative Education Program campus, a knife of any size, including a pocket knife.

Fiscal Implication:
Minimal.

Administrative Recommendation:
LVISD recommends approval of this recommendation.

Motion: _____

Second: _____

For: _____

Against: _____

Abstain: _____



GANGS & COMMUNITY RESPONSE

JUST WHAT IS A GANG?

There are many different types of gangs. The kinds of gangs most commonly found in Texas are:

DELINQUENT YOUTH GANGS—Groups of young people (mostly juveniles) who "hang out" together. They have developed some identifying signs such as similar clothing style, colors, or hand signs. They have engaged in delinquent or undesirable behavior (truancy, minor vandalism, status offenses) often enough to attract negative attention from law enforcement officers, neighborhood residents, and school officials; but they have not yet committed serious crimes.

SIGNS OF GANG ACTIVITY:

- A rise in truancy
- An increasing number of social groups with unusual names
- Young people wearing tattoos, beads, and colors
- Graffiti—especially if crossed-out
- A rising incidence of confrontations, "staredowns," and racial tensions
- "Show-by" displays of weapons and "drive-by" shootings

TRADITIONAL TURF-BASED GANGS—Groups of young people (juveniles and/or adults) with a name and a leader or leaders and identifying signs such as clothing style, colors, or hand signs. The group is associated with a territory, which it defends against rival gangs. Offenses include vandalism (graffiti), assault, and sometimes even homicide. Turf and rivalries are key identifying characteristics of these groups.

GAIN-ORIENTED GANGS—Groups of young people (juveniles and adults) with a name and a leader or leaders, who repeatedly engage in criminal activities both as a group and individually for economic gain. Offenses may include robbery, theft, and the distribution and sale of controlled substances.

VIOLENT/HATE GANGS—Groups of young people (juveniles and adults) with a name and a leader or leaders, who collectively engage in acts of violence toward groups or individuals. Geographical turf and material gain appear to be of secondary importance, if present at all. Offenses may include serious assaults and homicide.

WHO ARE THE YOUNG PEOPLE IN GANGS?

Gang members are typically between the ages of 10 and 21. Most have not performed well in school, and many have dropped out. Very often, they have family members who have been in gangs. Typically, the most deeply involved gang members have histories of being without adult supervision for extended periods of time, on a daily basis, from an early age on. These young people turn to gangs in search of acceptance, companionship, recognition, and a feeling of belonging. Note: not every child who experiments with gang styles is a gang member. Don't jump to conclusions. If you suspect gang involvement, talk to the child—and above all, listen.

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS
GREG ABBOTT

WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT GANGS?

ACKNOWLEDGE THE PROBLEM. In some communities, residents and officials are afraid to admit that there is a gang problem. They may be concerned about their community's image or about the negative effects of "labeling" young people as gang members. Some people are even afraid that by giving the problem any attention, they will be encouraging gangs by providing them the notoriety they seek. All of these concerns should be addressed. Denial is never beneficial. You cannot solve a problem until you admit that it exists.

ASSESS THE PROBLEM. Gangs are found in every locality—large, medium, and even small towns. Before you can begin to find solutions to your own situation, you must understand it. How many gangs and gang members are there? What kinds of gangs are present? Do you have an emerging or chronic gang problem? What sorts of local conditions are contributing to gang activity? To gather this information, you must establish cooperative relationships among schools, police, and community organizations.

ACT ON THE PROBLEM. Send a clear message to the gangs in your community that gang activity will not go unanswered. Call neighborhood meetings for citizens who are concerned about gangs. Involve the media. Clean up graffiti—and keep it cleaned up. Always photograph the marks for law enforcement documentation. Graffiti is the newsletter of the gangs: read it, then paint it over. Involve parents and neighbors. Graffiti removal is a crucial first step to reclaiming neighborhoods and reducing fear.

GRAFFITI ERADICATION. An individual convicted of a graffiti-related offense can be required to pay a $5 fee for deposit in a county's Graffiti Eradication Fund, as provided by Art. 10.0171, Code of Criminal Procedure. The county commissioner's court is responsible for creating and administering this fund. This fund may be used to repair damage, provide education and intervention for graffiti abatement programs, and provide public rewards for identifying and aiding in the apprehension and prosecution of graffiti-related offenders.

WHAT KINDS OF PROGRAMS REDUCE GANG ACTIVITY?

Special police tactics may be needed where gangs are violent or where they are driving up local crime rates. But gangs are not primarily a law enforcement problem. Programs are needed to address some of the causes of gang behavior.

OPPORTUNITIES. Gang activity often occurs when young people do not have access to socially acceptable alternatives. Children who are poorly prepared for school and receive little support for their positive efforts may turn to gangs for a chance to "be somebody." Schools must recognize the potential and value of each child. Academic support and positive extra-curricular opportunities are essential for at-risk youth.

ALTERNATIVES. Gangs are the only form of recreation and companionship available to some young people. To compete successfully with gangs, recreational programs must offer excitement and close, supportive relationships. Mentoring programs may be combined with after-school and summer activities.

SUPERVISION. Too many children are left unsupervised for extended periods of time. "Latchkey" and after-school programs can help by providing safe places for children to learn and play when they would otherwise be left alone. These programs also can help by providing nutritious meals, tutoring, and mentoring.

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT. Some children need help with interpersonal and decision-making skills. Young people can be taught to visualize the consequences of their actions and to understand that they can choose what to make of their lives.

Children and parents can benefit from learning new ways of communicating with each other and positive ways of resolving interpersonal conflicts.

RESOURCES FOR COMMUNITIES

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
JUVENILE CRIME INTERVENTION
(512) 463-4024
www.oag.state.tx.us
jci@oag.state.tx.us

TEXAS YOUTH COMMISSION
OFFICE OF PREVENTION
(512) 424-6130
www.tyc.state.tx.us

GANG RESISTANCE EDUCATION
AND TRAINING (G.R.E.A.T.)
(800) 726-7070
www.atf.treas.gov/great

TEXAS SCHOOL SAFETY CENTER
(512) 245-3696
www.txssc.swt.edu

JUVENILE JUSTICE CLEARINGHOUSE
1-800-638-8736

NATIONAL YOUTH GANG SUPPRESSION
AND INTERVENTION PROGRAM
Technical assistance manuals (University of Chicago, School of Social Service Administration). Available from the Juvenile Justice Clearinghouse.

NATIONAL SCHOOL SAFETY CENTER
Gangs in Schools: Breaking Up is Hard to Do
(Pepperdine University, Malibu, Ca. 90263)
(805) 373-9977
www.nssc1.org

Gang Information & Action Plan

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Confidential Information

Background Information

Unfortunately, La Vega High School has recently had a few incidents (see below) that could be gang related. While taking the necessary precautions to maintain safety, we also realize the importance of not creating panic or unnecessary stress to our staff, students, parents, and/or community. However, we also know the serious nature of these concerns and will do what is necessary to eliminate this type of behavior. The black ink print in this document is general information and law, and the red ink print is for recommended additions and/or revisions to the Student & Parent Handbook. Also, I have attached additional information, *Gangs & Community Response* from the Attorney General of Texas, Gregg Abbott.

1. On 09/15/05: the pictures on the cover of this document are samples from a recent "tagging" incident in a restroom at La Vega High School.

2. On 09/14/05: we had an incident in which the students involved stated "Eastside" and "Southside" could have been the catalysis for a fight in the restroom.

3. On 09/14/05: a teacher saw a student "throw" an "S" with his hands, and shout "Southside" during the same incident stated directly above.

4. On 09/08/2005: a student reported that some males approached him and his friends at Pizza Hut looking for the person that was having trouble with his group.

5. On 09/01/05: a group of males attempted to confront a group of students on a bus after school.

According to the Texas Education Code:

Section 37.121 FRATERNITIES, SORORITIES, SECRET SOCIETIES, AND GANGS

(a) A person commits an offense if the person:

(1) is a member of, pledges to become a member of, joins, or solicits another person to join or pledge to become a member of a public school fraternity, sorority, secret society, or gang; or

(2) is not enrolled in a public school and solicits another person to attend a meeting of a public school fraternity, sorority, secret society, or gang or a meeting at which membership in one of those groups is encouraged.

(b) A school district board of trustees or an educator shall recommend placing in a disciplinary alternative education program any student under the person's control who violates Subsection (a).

(c) An offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor.

(d) In this section, "public school fraternity, sorority, secret society, or gang" means an organization composed wholly or in part of students of public primary or

secondary schools that seeks to perpetuate itself by taking in additional members from the students enrolled in school on the basis of the decision of its membership rather than on the free choice of a student in the school who is qualified by the rules of the school to fill the special aims of the organization. The term does not include an agency for public welfare, including Boy Scouts, Hi-Y, Girl Reserves, DeMolay, Rainbow Girls, Pan-American Clubs, scholarship societies, or other similar educational organizations sponsored by state or national education authorities.
Added by Acts 1995, 74th Leg., ch. 260, Sec. 1, eff. May 30, 1995. Amended by Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1055, Sec. 23, eff. June 20, 2003.

Texas Sec. 28.08. Graffiti

(a) A person commits an offense if with aerosol paint or an indelible marker and without the effective consent of the owner the person intentionally or knowingly makes markings, including inscriptions, slogans, drawings, or paintings, on the tangible property of the owner.

(b) Except as provided by Subsection (d), an offense under this section is:

(1) a Class B misdemeanor if the amount of pecuniary loss is less than $500;

(2) a Class A misdemeanor if the amount of pecuniary loss is $500 or more but less than $1,500;

(3) a state jail felony if the amount of pecuniary loss is $1,500 or more but less than $20,000;

(4) a felony of the third degree if the amount of pecuniary loss is $20,000 or more but less than $100,000;

(5) a felony of the second degree if the amount of pecuniary loss is $100,000 or more but less than $200,000; or

(6) a felony of the first degree if the amount of pecuniary loss is $200,000 or more.

(c) When more than one item of tangible property, belonging to one or more owners, is marked in violation of this section pursuant to one scheme or continuing course of conduct, the conduct may be considered as one offense, and the amounts of pecuniary loss to property resulting from the marking of the property may be aggregated in determining the grade of the offense.

(d) An offense under this section is a state jail felony if the marking is made on a place of worship or human burial, a public monument, or a community center that provides

medical, social, or educational programs and the amount of the pecuniary loss to real property or to tangible personal property is less than $20,000.

(e) In this section:

(1) "Aerosol paint" means an aerosolized paint product.

(2) "Indelible marker" means a device that makes a mark with a paint or ink product that is specifically formulated to be more difficult to erase, wash out, or remove than ordinary paint or ink products.

Recognizing Gangs

Typically people look for graffiti or bandannas as the main indicators of a gang presence. However, gang indicators can be quite subtle, particularly as awareness increases among school officials, law enforcement, parents, and other adults.

Depending upon the specific gang activity in a specific given school or community, gang identifiers ***may*** include:

Graffiti: Unusual signs, symbols, or writing on walls, notebooks, etc.

"Colors": Obvious or subtle colors of clothing, a particular clothing brand, jewelry, or haircuts (But not necessarily the traditional perception of colors as only bandannas)

Tattoos: Symbols on arms, chest, or elsewhere on the body

"Lit" (gang literature): Gang signs, symbols, poems, prayers, procedures, etc. in notebooks or other documents

Initiations: Suspicious bruises, wounds, or injuries resulting from a "jumping in" type initiation

Handsigns: Unusual hand signals or handshakes

Behavior: Sudden changes in behavior or secret meetings

Managing and Preventing Gangs in Schools

School and community responses require a balanced approach of prevention, intervention, and enforcement strategies. Schools must work very closely with law enforcement to share information on gang activity since what happens in the community spills over into the schools and vice versa.

Practical steps schools can take include:

Communicate to staff, students, and parents that schools are neutral grounds and that gang, drug, and weapon activities will receive priority response

Apply discipline in a timely, firm, fair, and consistent manner

Institute student anti-gang education and prevention programs

Train school personnel in gang identification, intervention, and prevention techniques

Obtain input from youth on violence-related concerns and prevention strategies

Establish cooperative relationships and communication networks with parents, law enforcement and other criminal justice agencies, social services, and other community members.

Gangs are a community problem, but schools are a part of that community and cannot operate in isolation while hoping that the gang members will drop their gang alliances and activities once they cross the schoolhouse door.

DRESS CODE

Inappropriate clothing/styles of dress include, but are not limited to, the following examples:

Baggy or Saggy Pants: Pants must be an appropriate size for the wearer and must be worn at the waist. Pants must be less than seven inches in measurement from the outside of the knee to the seam and the waist must be within two inches of the actual waist size. Pants must be able to stay up at the waist without a belt. NO sagging!

Military style web belts, initial belt buckles or chains: These items are not allowed, even when worn as belts or security for wallets/billfolds.

Any style of clothing or grooming that can be associated with gang membership: Even if the wearer is not “in a gang” we do not want other students, or gangs, to make assumptions regarding gang affiliation. Items that are associated with gangs or might cause a disruption in the educational process as determined by the La Vega High School staff and administration will not be allowed. An updated list of prohibited grooming or clothing will be kept in the Principal's Office on each campus. All items currently prohibited in the dress code plus the following: (list should be developed by the principals with La Vega ISD Administration input).

Excessive make-up: This includes black lipstick, extremely heavy mascara and/or eyeliner, etc.

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ILLEGAL ITEMS

The following items are not allowed on the La Vega High School campus per Texas law:

- Alcoholic beverages, unauthorized prescription medicine, or any illegal substance
- Weapons such as knives, slingshots, firearms, paintball guns, chains, or other items which could be used to inflict bodily harm
- Fireworks
- Spray paint
- Indelible marker- means a device that makes a mark with a paint or ink product

All items deemed illegal to possess on the campus by state law or school/district policy will be confiscated. **The school assumes no liability for confiscated items**, although every effort will be made to secure these items. Possession of prohibited weapons of any kind or any prohibited illegal substance (these items will not be returned) will result in explusion or placement in District Alternative Education Program as provided by state law and will be referred to law enforcement authorities.

§ 37.107. TRESPASS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

An unauthorized person who trespasses on the grounds of any school district of this state commits an offense. An offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor.

No person shall be permitted, on school property or on public property within 500 feet of school property, to willfully disrupt, alone or in concert with others, the conduct of classes or other school activities. TEC 37.124

Entrance into a classroom without consent of either the principal or teacher and, either through acts of misconduct and/or use of loud or profane language, causing disruption of class activities will not be permitted. TEC 37.124

No person or group of persons acting in concert may willfully engage in disruptive activity or disrupt a lawful assembly on the campus or property on any school in the La Vaga ISD. TEC 37.123

Any person loitering on school property after being advised to leave by the person in charge shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be subject to a fine, as established by law. TEC 37.105, TEC 37.107

Discussion And Possible Action Regarding The 2005-06 Tax Rate

Presented for:
Board action ☒ Report/Review Only ☐ Consent Agenda Item ☐

Supporting documents:
None ☐ Attached ☒ Provided Later ☐

Contact Person:
Gary W. Williams

Background Information:
The district set its 2005-06 tax rate on August 31, 2005. Based on the best information available at that time, the Board adopted at tax rate of $1.7975, with $1.50 dedicated to Maintenance and Operations and $0.2975 dedicated to Debt Service. Since that time, the district has learned that Existing Debt Allotment (EDA) funds, which help pay a portion of debt service costs, have been approved and appropriated. The administration has confirmed that the district will receive $525,052 in EDA funds in 2005-06. This new information will allow the district to amend the Debt Service tax rate. The attached information describes, in detail, the ramifications and options available to the district. In summary, the district can amend the debt service portion of the tax rate from $0.2975 to $0.1925, resulting in a new overall tax rate of $1.6925. In order to accomplish this reduction, the Board must replicate the tax adoption process with the new rate: that is, a new vote must be taken, the required advertisement must be published, a public hearing on the new rate must be held, and the rate must be amended.

Fiscal Implication:
The district can lower its debt service tax rate by $.105, resulting in a lower overall rate than last year.

Administrative Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Board adopt an amended tax rate of $1.6925, composed of $1.50 for Maintenance and Operations and $0.1925 for Debt Service.

Motion: _____

Second: _____

For: _____

Against: _____

Abstain: _____

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the 2005-06 Tax Rate

The District' voters passed the 2004 Bond Program on February 7, 2004, and the bonds were sold approximately two months later. One of the unknowns regarding repayment of the bonds was the status of the state-funded Existing Debt Allotment (EDA). The EDA is a state program that pays a portion, based on wealth, of a district's debt service cost. The program is dependent on the date of the first bond payment, and it must be updated each Legislative Session to include more recent bond sales.

This "roll-forward" of EDA was passed in the 79th Regular Session of the Texas Legislature. Unfortunately, the appropriations for this program were vetoed along with the remainder of the education budget. These funds were eventually reinstated at the end of the second Called Session.

School districts received notice of their eligibility for EDA in a letter from the Texas Education Agency dated August 16, 2005. A copy of the letter is included in this packet. While confirming the roll-forward of EDA, the letter and accompanying documents provided no statement of the amount of funds to be sent to the district. With conflicting information regarding funding, and with continued uncertainty regarding school finance, the district set its debt service tax rate based on no EDA funding.

The district has made numerous inquiries regarding EDA funding and possible actions available to the Board. We have contacted the Texas Education Agency, the State Comptroller's Office, the Texas Association of School Business Officials, and the Texas Association of School Boards, and the McLennan County Tax Office. We have also contacted the district's law firm) and the district's delinquent tax attorney. We asked for information and opinions regarding the amount of EDA funds, the likelihood that the funds will be affected by pending court and/or legislative action, possible actions that the district can take, legal options available to the district, and the consequences of various courses of action. The information we gathered is summarized below:

A. **EDA Funding:**

1. **TEA has not officially notified school districts of the amount of EDA funds they will receive; however, they have sent us an estimate of $525,052 for 2005-06. (See attached fax from Liz Caskey at TEA).**
2. **TEA has not confirmed the total EDA funds needed during the biennium; a number of school districts qualified for the program in late August. Agency personnel are confident that the program will be fully funded.**
3. **The Texas Supreme Court is expected to rule in the West Orange Cove appeal shortly, and the Legislature is then expected to meet in a Called Session to address the Court's ruling. While there is consensus that any new finance plan will address facilities funding (IFA and EDA), no one knows what impact their actions will have on future funding formulas.**
4. **The Board may choose to proceed on the assumption that EDA funding will be available as currently projected. It will necessitate revising the district's Debt Service tax rate. Attachment #1 shows a comparison of the current and amended tax rates.**

B. Revising the Tax Rate:

1. Current law is silent on the subject of revising tax rates; that is, it neither allows nor prohibits it. The consensus of the law firms and agencies we contacted is that the action would not be challenged, since it involves lowering the tax rate, and it is taken in good faith. The district's law firm

advised us to replicate the tax rate process (advertising, public hearing, and Board action), based on SB 1652, effective 9/01/05, which requires the district to adopt the exact tax rate advertised in its public notice.

2. If the complete tax calendar is followed, the tax rate cannot be amended before October 3. The effective tax rate notice would be run on Thursday, September 22, and the hearing and adoption would be held on Monday, October 3 (A 10-day notice is required). This violates the state Tax Code, which requires adoption before September 30.
3. In order to meet the September 30 requirement, the district must hold the public hearing and amend the tax rate by September 29. This means that we will be unable to meet the 10-day notice requirement between the advertised tax rate and the public hearing/adoption.

C. Pros and Cons, Questions:

1. An amended, lower tax rate will fulfill the district's pledge to take advantage of EDA funding when and if it became available.
2. Leaving the tax rate as originally set will have an adverse effect on future years' debt service tax rates. The district will collect excess taxes in 2005-06, place the excess in fund balance, and return the savings to taxpayers by lowering the debt service rate in 2006-07. This will necessitate raising the rate again in 2007-08, which may confuse and frustrate taxpayers.
3. Future EDA payments will be reduced as a result of leaving the tax rate as originally adopted and lowering it in 2006-07. If the Board lowers the rate in 2006-07, it will negatively impact EDA funding in future years.
4. The penalty for late adoption can cause the tax rate, if legally challenged, to revert to the previous year's tax rate. This is a very specific provision in the Tax Code. On the other hand, failure to give adequate notice can also be the basis for a taxpayer to challenge the action. In this case, the taxpayer must prove that the law was violated, and that the district's action was taken in bad faith. Further, the action must be taken before tax bills are mailed out. This is more flexible and defensible.

D. Recommendation:

Considering all options, the administration recommends revising the tax rate adopted on August 31, as outlined in Attachment #1. We also recommend that the Board act before September 30, because:

- **It lowers the tax rate, and expedites the collection process.**
- **It fulfills the Board's pledge to take advantage of EDA funding.**
- **It limits the district's legal liability, ensuring substantial compliance with applicable laws, while acting in good faith.**
- **It places no restriction on future tax rates or EDA funding.**
- **It guarantees that debt payments can be made.**
- **It takes advantage of current law; future court decisions may modify significantly or even eliminate EDA. Under this "worst case" scenario, the district would receive 2005-06 EDA funding in October 2005, unless the district court's injunction cutting off all funding stands.**

TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY
STATE FUNDING DIVISION
1701 N. CONGRESS
AUSTIN, TX 78701

FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

TO:	FROM:
Dr. Monte Geren	LIZ CASKEY
FAX NUMBER: 254-799-8642	FAX NUMBER: 512.305.9165
DATE: 09/20/05	: PHONE NUMBER: 512.463.9268
RE: EDA	TOTAL NO. OF PAGES INCLUDING COVER: 5

NOTES/COMMENTS:

SB 1863, which was signed by the governor on 6/17/05, included "roll forward" provision for Existing Debt Allotment (EDA) to include bonds having payments by 8/31/05:

Sec. 46.033. ELIGIBLE BONDS. Bonds, including bonds issued under Section 45.006, are eligible to be paid with state and local funds under this subchapter if:

(1) the district made payments on the bonds during the 2004-2005 ~~[2002-2003]~~ school year or taxes levied to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds were included in the district's audited debt service collections for that school year;)

La Vega ISD's Series 2004 bond issue meets the EDA eligibility requirement, since the first payment was 2/15/05 (see attached.) I have also verified that the debt service amount shown on line 5 of my manual calculations matches TEA's EDA data base.

However, since there were many districts which issued debt at the end of the summer, TEA is still in the process of updating and programming the EDA and IFA payments. We expect to finish this process and make payments by the end of September.

I have taken the 2005-06 Summary of Finance for La Vega and calculated an estimated EDA allotment, using the updated eligible debt, based on SB 1863. This is considered to be an estimate, due to the large number of variables used in the formulas, such as tax collections and ADA. TEA will reconcile the 05-06 EDA and IFA based on year end numbers, just as we do with Tier II, Block Grant and other state aid.

Please don't hesitate to contact me, if you think of other questions.

2005-2006 CALCULATION OF EXISTING DEBT ALLOTMENT

SCHOOL FINANCE Fax:512-305-9165 Sep 20 2005 10:38 P.02

	161906	LA VEGA ISD
DATA ELEMENTS NEEDED:		VALUES:
1.	2004-05 I AND S TAX COLLECTION	892,817
2.	2004-05 LOCAL SHARE OF EDA	0
3.	2004-05 LOCAL SHARE OF IFA AWARDED FOR BONDED DEBT	241,577
4.	2004-05 EXCESS I&S TAX COLLECTION (LINE1 - LINE2 - LINE3)	651,240
5.	2005-06 ACTUAL DEBT SERVICE PAYMENT FOR ELIGIBLE BONDED DEBTS (FROM STATE INFORMATION DEPOSITORY) THESE AMOUNTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN UPDATED TO REFLECT CHANGES AUTHORIZED BY SB1863.	551,630 1,536,370*
6.	2005-06 IFA STATE/LOCAL SHARE OF IFA AWARDED FOR BONDED DEBT	557,630
7.	ESTIMATED 2005-06 TOTAL REFINED ADA	2431.067
8.	2004 CPTD ADJUSTED PROPERTY VALUE	394,416,727
9.	2003 CPTD ADJUSTED PROPERTY VALUE	359,123,965
CALCULATION OF EDTR LIMIT:		
10.	2004-05 RATE TO DETERMINE MAXIMUM EDA LIMIT (LINE 2 + LINE 4)/(2003 CPTD VALUE / 100) IF LINE 1 < LINE 2 THEN RATE = (LINE 1*100)/LINE 9	0.1813
11.	2005-06 RATE NEEDED FOR ALL ELIGIBLE DEBT (LINE 5 - LINE 6)/$35/LINE 7/100	0.0000 .11503 (rounded)
12.	2005-06 ALLOWED RATE (LESSER OF LINE 10 OR LINE 11 OR $ .29)	0.0000 .11503
CALCULATION OF ALLOTMENT:		
13.	STATE / LOCAL SHARE OF EDA ($35 * LINE 7 * LINE 12 * 100)	0 978,740
14.	LOCAL SHARE OF EDA	0 453,688

(LINE 12 * (LINE 8/ 100))
NOTE: THE DISTRICT MUST LEVY AND COLLECT I AND S IN THE AMOUNT OF THIS LOCAL SHARE IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE FULL STATE SHARE.

15. STATE SHARE OF EDA (LINE 13 - LINE 14)
NOTE: THE STATE SHARE ON LINE 15 MUST BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT WHEN SETTING THE DISTRICT I AND S TAX RATE

16. EDA ENTITLEMENT (LINE 15, UNLESS I AND S TAXES ARE LESS THAN EDA LOCAL SHARE

0 525,052
0.

Line 5 - Eligible debt service payment matches - final official statement & EDA data base

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OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Dated March 23, 2004

Ratings:
S&P: "AAA"
Fitch: "AAA"
PSF: Approval Received
See ("Other Information – Ratings" and "The Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program" herein)

NEW ISSUE – Book-Entry-Only

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, interest on the Bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under existing law, subject to the matters described under "Tax Exemption" herein, including the alternative minimum tax on corporations.

THE BONDS WILL NOT BE DESIGNATED AS "QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS" FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

1st payment 2/15/05

$16,000,000
LA VEGA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
(McLennan County, Texas)
UNLIMITED TAX SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS, SERIES 2004

Dated: March 15, 2004 **Due: February 15, as shown on Page 2**

PAYMENT TERMS . . . Interest on the $16,000,000 La Vega Independent School District Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2004 (the "Bonds") ~~will accrue from~~ March 15, 2004 (the "Dated Date"), will be payable February 15 and August 15 of each year commencing February 15, 2005, and will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. The definitive Bonds will be initially registered and delivered only to Cede & Co., the nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") pursuant to the Book-Entry-Only System described herein. Beneficial ownership of the Bonds may be acquired in denominations of $5,000 or integral multiples thereof. **No physical delivery of the Bonds will be made to the owners thereof.** Principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds will be payable by the Paying Agent/Registrar to Cede & Co., which will make distribution of the amounts so paid to the participating members of DTC for subsequent payment to the beneficial owners of the Bonds. See "The Bonds - Book-Entry-Only System" herein. The initial Paying Agent/Registrar is Wachovia Bank, National Association, Houston, Texas (see "The Bonds - Paying Agent/Registrar").

AUTHORITY FOR ISSUANCE . . . The Bonds are issued pursuant to the Constitution and general laws of the State of Texas (the "State"), including Sections 45.001 and 45.003(b)(1) of the Texas Education Code, as amended, and are direct and voted obligations of the La Vega Independent School District (the "District"), payable from an annual ad valorem tax levied, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, on all taxable property located within the District, as provided in the order authorizing the Bonds (the "Order") (see "The Bonds - Authority for Issuance"). **An application has been filed and approval received by the District for the Bonds to be guaranteed by the Texas Permanent School Fund Guarantee (see "The Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program").**

PURPOSE . . . Proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used to construct, renovate and equip school buildings throughout the District and to pay the costs associated with the issuance of the Bonds.

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LEGALITY . . . The Bonds are offered for delivery when, as and if issued and received by the Underwriters and subject to the approving opinion of the Attorney General of Texas and the opinion of Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P., Dallas, Texas, Bond Counsel (see Appendix C, "Form of Bond Counsel's Opinion"). Certain matters will be passed upon for the Underwriters by McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Dallas, Texas, Counsel for the Underwriters.

DELIVERY . . . It is expected that the Bonds will be available for delivery through DTC on April 27, 2004.

RBC DAIN RAUSCHER INC.

MORGAN KEEGAN & CO., INC. **SOUTHWEST SECURITIES**

DEBT INFORMATION

TABLE 7 - PRO-FORMA TAX SUPPORTED DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

Fiscal Year Ending 8/31	Outstanding Debt			The Bonds [1]			Total Debt Service Requirements	% of Principal Retired
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total		
2004	$ 140,000	$ 418,305	$ 558,305				$ 558,305	
2005	145,000	410,605	555,605		$ 981,364	$ 981,364	1,536,969	
2006	155,000	402,630	557,630	$ 290,000	688,740	978,740	1,536,370	
2007	165,000	394,105	559,105	300,000	680,628	980,628	1,539,733	
2008	175,000	385,030	560,030	305,000	671,928	976,928	1,536,958	6.85%
2009	185,000	375,405	560,405	315,000	662,628	977,628	1,538,033	
2010	195,000	365,230	560,230	325,000	652,621	977,621	1,537,851	
2011	205,000	354,505	559,505	340,000	641,390	981,390	1,540,895	
2012	215,000	343,230	558,230	350,000	628,878	978,878	1,537,108	
2013	225,000	334,093	559,093	365,000	615,015	980,015	1,539,108	17.98%
2014	235,000	324,305	559,305	380,000	600,115	980,115	1,539,420	
2015	245,000	313,965	558,965	395,000	584,615	979,615	1,538,580	
2016	260,000	302,940	562,940	410,000	568,515	978,515	1,541,455	
2017	270,000	290,980	560,980	430,000	551,715	981,715	1,542,695	
2018	285,000	278,425	563,425	445,000	534,215	979,215	1,542,640	31.70%
2019	300,000	265,030	565,030	465,000	516,015	981,015	1,546,045	
2020	315,000	250,780	565,780	480,000	496,875	976,875	1,542,655	
2021	330,000	235,660	565,660	505,000	476,430	981,430	1,547,090	
2022	345,000	219,655	564,655	525,000	454,538	979,538	1,544,193	
2023	365,000	202,750	567,750	550,000	431,219	981,219	1,548,969	48.80%
2024	385,000	184,500	569,500	575,000	405,531	980,531	1,550,031	
2025	405,000	165,250	570,250	600,000	377,625	977,625	1,547,875	
2026	425,000	145,000	570,000	630,000	348,413	978,413	1,548,413	
2027	445,000	123,750	568,750	660,000	317,775	977,775	1,546,525	
2028	470,000	101,500	571,500	695,000	285,594	980,594	1,552,094	70.44%
2029	495,000	78,000	573,000	725,000	251,869	976,869	1,549,869	
2030	520,000	53,250	573,250	765,000	216,481	981,481	1,554,731	
2031	545,000	27,250	572,250	800,000	179,313	979,313	1,551,563	
2032				1,070,000	134,900	1,204,900	1,204,900	
2033				1,125,000	82,769	1,207,769	1,207,769	95.17%
2034				1,180,000	28,025	1,208,025	1,208,025	100.00%
	$8,445,000	$7,346,128	$ 15,791,128	$ 16,000,000	$ 14,065,735	$ 30,065,735	$45,856,863	

05-06 Debt

(1) Average life of the issue – 19.300 years.

TABLE 8 - INTEREST AND SINKING FUND BUDGET PROJECTION

Tax Supported Debt Service Requirements, Fiscal Year Ending 8/31/04		$ 558,305
Interest and Sinking Fund as of 8/31/03	$ 417,556	
Budgeted Interest and Sinking Fund Tax Levy at 96% Collection	227,923	
Instructional Facilities Allotment Funding	328,450	$ 973,929
Estimated Balance, 8/31/04		$ 415,624

TABLE 9 - AUTHORIZED BUT UNISSUED UNLIMITED TAX BONDS

After the issuance of the Bonds, the District will not have any voter authorized but unissued unlimited tax bonds.

Attachment #1

Debt Service Fund

	Without EDA	With EDA*	
Revenue:			
IFA	$ 299,144	$ 299,144	
EDA		$ 525,052	
	$ 299,144	$ 824,196	
Tax Coll at Curr Rate**	$ 1,117,751	$ 723,250	**Tax Coll at Prop Rate****
	$ 1,416,895	$ 1,547,446	
Expenditure:			
Bond Payment	$ (1,536,370)	$ (1,536,370)	
	$ (119,475)	$ 11,076	
Est. Beginning Fd. Bal. 9/1/05	$ 141,109	$ 141,109	
Est. Ending Fd. Bal. 8/31/06	$ 21,634	$ 152,185	
I&STax Rate	$ 0.2975	$ 0.1925	
M&O Tax Rate	$ 1.5000	$ 1.5000	
	$ 1.7975	$ 1.6925	
Difference		**$ 0.1050**	
Tax Rate 04/05	$ 1.7200	**$ (0.0275)**	**Change From Last Year's Rate**

* IFA and EDA numbers calculated using SOF ADA Projections

** Tax Collections Based on 97% Collection Rate - Current Collections Only

CLOSED MEETING

A. Discussion Regarding Personnel Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, Dismissal, Complaint, or Charges (If Needed)

B. Confer with Employees of the School District to Receive Information or to Ask Questions (If Needed)

C. Discussion Regarding Student Discipline (If Needed)

D. Consultation with District's Attorney (If Needed)

Presented for:
Board action ☐ Report/Review Only ☒

Supporting documents:
None ☒ Attached ☐ Provided Later ☐

Contact Person:
Dr. Monte Geren

Background Information:
The Board may enter into a closed meeting after the following requirements have been met:

1. A quorum of the Board has first been convened in open meeting for which notice has been given.
2. The presiding officer has publicly announced in open meeting that a closed meeting will be held.
3. The presiding officer has identified the section or sections of the Open Meetings Act or other applicable statutes that authorize the holding of such closed meeting.

Fiscal Implication:
N/A

Administrative Recommendation:
N/A

A closed meeting was declared at _____.m. on _____, 2005 to

discuss: _____

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The closed meeting ended at _____.m. on _____, 2005.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: _____

Second: _____

For: _____

Against: _____

Abstain: _____

Date and Time: _____