

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
CALDWELL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

February 24, 2014

6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Dan Harris, Mark Goodman, Terri Jurena, Janet Carrigan, Gerald Rodriguez,  
Clover Cochran, Mike Thompson

Members Absent:

Administrators: Dr. Janet Cummings, Rhonda Homeyer, Bill Broaddus, Vicki Ochs,  
Dr. Tim Cuff, Kim McManus, Nathan Goodlett, Tracy Brewer

Guests: William Foster, Lewis Wynn, Coach Bobby Jack Goforth, Caldwell ISD;  
Roy Sanders, Lisa Daehnke, Mike Brooks (TASB), Carla Pope-Osburne (Perdue,  
Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, LLP)

President Dan Harris called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Public Input: No one wished to address the Board at this time.

Student/Staff Recognition: No recognition at this time.

Motion No. 3950

On motion by member Carrigan, seconded by member Jurena, the Board approved the following: the minutes of the regular meeting on January 27, 2014 and special meetings on February 10<sup>th</sup> and February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014; approved expenditures; tax reports; monthly investment reports for January, 2014 and budget amendment to recognize donations; submitted by Rhonda Homeyer, Director of Business Services. (A copy of the budget amendment is attached and made a part of these minutes.)

For 7                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

Ms. Carla Pope-Osborne, with Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, LLP, reviewed the procedures of her firm reference to the district's contract renewal. There is an annual review of Caldwell ISD's taxable values as certified by the Texas Comptroller's Office to determine if an appeal and audit would benefit the district. Services include review and compilation of current year and previous three years of CPTAD values. Information is gathered from the appraisal district, CPTAD, software vendors, tax assessor-collectors, and business managers to ensure all information has been reviewed for changes that have occurred in the district. If the audit review produces a change which results in additional state aid, the district is contacted and appeal is submitted to the Comptroller's Office.

Motion No. 3951

On motion by member Jurena, seconded by member Cochran, the Board approved renewing the contract with Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, LLP, for the district's appeal and audit services of the property value study performed by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. (A copy of the contract is attached and made a part of these minutes.)

For 7                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

Mr. Lewis Wynn, Technology Director, gave an updated report regarding the district's technology.

Members of the Board discussed the needed improvements on campuses while reviewing the possibility for calling for a bond election. Consensus of the Board was to use the Q-Bonds "Qualified School Construction Bonds", in the amount of \$5,744,000 as the proposition in calling for election.

The Board directed Superintendent Cummings to request the required legal verbiage for calling for a bond election to be placed on the agenda for the Special Meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 27, 2014.

Motion No. 3952

On motion by member Cochran, seconded by member Carrigan, the Board tabled any action on Agenda Item H.(a) Consider Adopting an Order Calling for a Bond Election, Including Making Provision for the Conduct of the Election and Taking all Necessary Action Thereof, until the Special Meeting on Thursday, February 27, 2014.

For 7                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

Motion No. 3953

On motion by member Thompson, seconded by member Cochran, the Board approved a call for election on May 10, 2014 of two Board members; Dan Harris and Gerald Rodriguez. (The Board also recognized each Board member's continuing education hours that they have completed as listed below.)

Dan Harris	24.25 hrs.
Mark Goodman	27.50 hrs.
Terri Jurena	26.50 hrs.
Gerald Rodriguez	25.50 hrs.
Mike Thompson	19.50 hrs.
Janet Carrigan	25.00 hrs.
Clover Cochran	25.50 hrs.

For 7                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

Motion No. 3954

On motion by member Cochran, seconded by member Rodriguez, the Board approved the appointment of the following election judges and early voting clerks as submitted by Paula Bartnesky, Burleson County Elections Administrator:

Early Voting Clerk: Paula Bartnesky  
Early Voting Deputies: Francis Zgabay & Brenda Williams  
Election Day Judges: Francis Zgabay & Brenda Williams  
Early Voting Ballot Board and Central Count Judges: Evelyn Henry & Alma Daniels

For 7                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

Motion No. 3955

On motion by member Cochran, seconded by member Carrigan, the Board approved the contract with Burleson County, Paula Bartnesky, Elections Administrator, to conduct early voting and election day voting for the district's school trustee election to be held on May 10, 2014.

For 7                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

Motion No. 3956

On motion by member Goodman, seconded by member Cochran, the Board approved a resolution for a joint election with Caldwell ISD and the City of Caldwell. (The election will be held on May 10, 2014, at the Burleson County Courthouse. Early Voting will also be held with the City administered by Burleson County Elections Administrator, Paula Bartnesky.)

For 7                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

Dr. Cummings, Superintendent, addressed the Board regarding the HB-5 Community and Student Engagement that is new this year. This is a requirement for each district in the State of Texas to evaluate their district's performance in nine areas as defined by the Texas Legislature. A local committee must develop a rating system to evaluate the performance. As part of the committee, one Board of Trustee is asked to serve on the development committee.

Consensus of the Board was to nominate Mark Goodman as the liaison for the Board of Trustees.

**Motion No. 3957**

On motion by member Cochran, seconded by member Jurena, the Board approved Superintendent Cummings to file a waiver request to TEA due to weather conditions exceeding the two day bad weather restrictions.

For 7                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

Superintendent Cummings addressed the Board regarding approval to file a staff development waiver to TEA in case the district may choose to use the 177 school day schedule option plus 10 professional days to equal 187 days required calendars. Dr. Cummings stated that it is time to file and reserve this option for the district as needed.

**Motion No. 3958**

On motion by member Jurena, seconded by member Thompson, the Board approved Superintendent Cummings to file the staff development waiver to TEA in order to reserve the option as needed for the district.

For 7                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

\*Members of the Board took a break at approximately 7:00 p.m. The meeting reconvened at approximately 7:03 p.m.

**Motion No. 3959**

On motion by member Carrigan, seconded by member Jurena, the Board accepted the following resignations effective the end of the 2013-2014 school year:

- Gary Stout, Middle School Principal
- James Hill, High School Teacher
- Carol Hughes, Elementary School Teacher

For 7                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

**Motion No. 3960**

On motion by member Goodman, seconded by member Jurena, the Board approved the contract renewals for 2014-2015 for the following administrators:

- Rhonda Homeyer, Director of Business
- Bobby Jack Goforth, Athletic Director
- William Foster, Director of Fine Arts
- William Broaddus, Director of Maintenance/Transportation/Food Service
- Lewis Wynn, Director of Technology
- Vicki Ochs, High School Principal
- Tracy Brewer, Middle School Assistant Principal
- Dr. Tim Cuff, Intermediate School Principal
- Shaunna Savage, Intermediate School Assistant Principal
- Kim McManus, Elementary School Principal
- Nathan Goodlett, Elementary School Assistant Principal

For 6                      \*Ag. 1                      Ab. 0

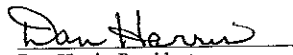
\*Member Carrigan voting against the motion.

At-Will Employees: Information Only

Resignations: William Frieda, Maintenance  
Nancy Parker, Cafeteria  
Christine Sanchez, Custodian

Hiring: Jasmin Ellis, Maintenance/Bus Driver  
Roxana Obella, Cafeteria

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

  
Dan Harris, President

  
Terri Jurena, Secretary