



## Whitehouse Independent School District

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### Whitehouse ISD School Board Meeting Summary September 12, 2016

The Board of Trustees held a regular public meeting.

The WISD board discussed the following items:

-The Board recognized Whitehouse High School FCCLA member and Region III Officer, Courtney Eeds. Ms. Eeds was recognized from local media earlier this summer for the work she did while attending the Texas State Conference for FCCLA.

-Open forum followed those being recognized. Two community members addressed the Board.

-Mr. James Wansley with the WISD Strong Board Committee passed on positive information to the Board of Trustees that the Strong Board Committee had been receiving from the community in regards to the 2016 Bond Election. Mr. Wansley applauded the District and Board for the transparency of information they had been putting out to the public.

-Ms. Ethel Hawkins, a Forest Crossroads Pastor, and contributor to the Fellowship of Christian Athletes program, also addressed the Board of Trustees. Ms. Hawkins applauded both the District Administration and High School Administration for allowing Christian athlete groups on the campuses. She applauded the growth of those student groups and the work that they do on the field and through Christ.

-Action Items included, but are not limited to:

-Consent Items that involved approving Board Meeting Minutes, monthly financial reports, tax reports, donations, etc.

-The Board of Trustees approved the 2016-2014 Compensation Plan

-The Board of Trustees approved taking action on an Interlocal agreement between the District and Smith County for the November 8, 2016 Bond Election and authorized the Superintendent to execute the Interlocal agreement for conducting elections.

-The Board of Trustees approved 'Construction Manager At-Risk' as the method of delivery for construction/repair/maintenance projects.

-The Board of Trustees approved the purchase of architectural drawings for baseball, softball, tennis and warehouse facilities to someday be moved from the Junior High campus to the High School campus.

-The Board of Trustees approved several policy updates affecting local policies.

-The Board of Trustees approved a State-mandated local policy, policy 106, in regards to Special Education classrooms requiring video and audio monitoring.

-Action Items from Closed Session included, but are not limited to:

-Approving the contract for an Administrator:

-Director of Student Auxiliary Services, Dr. Kevin Whitman

-Information items included, but are not limited to:

-New Hires, resignations/terminations, and retirements

-Junior High School water main update

-ESL Annual Evaluation Report for 2016

-Update on Accountability Ratings

-Whitehouse ISD campuses received 25 distinctions from TEA.

-Reports from the Superintendent included, but are not limited to:

-An update on the land acquisition

-A location for a new Elementary school would possibly be north of The City of Whitehouse and within WISD on 84 acres. This would allow for a new Elementary campus and a site for a future campus if needed. The contract is currently in negotiations.

-A town hall meeting has been added to the calendar to discuss the 2016 Bond election. The date is scheduled for September 26, 2016 at 6pm in the High School Lecture Hall. A second town hall meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 25th.

-WISD has met the requirements to apply to become a District of Innovation.

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