

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

March 22, 2013

6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Steve Noack, Layne Drgac, Chester Canady, Dan Harris,  
Gerald Rodriguez, Mark Goodman

Members Absent:

Administrators: Dr. Janet Cummings, Rhonda Homeyer, Dr. Tim Cuff, Dr. Brad Vestal,  
Vance Skidmore, Shauna Savage, Kim McManus, Gary Stout, Tracy Anderson,  
Lewis Wynn, Bill Broaddus

Guests: Kevin Greenleaf, Caldwell ISD, Terri Jurena, Roy Sanders, Sal Zaccagnino,  
Mike Sutherland

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

Student/Staff Recognition: No student/staff recognition at this time.

Motion No. 3831

On motion by member Goodman, seconded by member Harris, the Board approved the following: the minutes of the February 25, 2013 Regular Meeting with the following correction being made accordingly: "Executive Session: changing name from President Surovik to President Noack", approved March 3<sup>rd</sup> and March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Special Meetings, approved expenditures, tax reports, and quarterly investment reports for the quarter ending February 28, 2013, as submitted by Rhonda Homeyer, Director of Business Services.

For 6

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\*Public Input: Mike Sutherland, Burleson County Judge, requested to address the Board during Agenda Item K, "Award Bid for Optic Fiber Project."

Motion No. 3832

On motion by member Drgac, seconded by member Canady, the Board approved the district's investment policy, investment strategies, and acknowledged certificates of attendance for Dr. Cummings, Superintendent, and Rhonda Homeyer, Director of Business Services, as presented by Mrs. Homeyer. (A copy of the Resolution recognizing Board review and approval of the investment policy and strategies is attached and made a part of these minutes.)

For 6

Ag. 0

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Dr. Cuff, Intermediate School Principal, presented and reviewed the 2013-2014 G/T with members of the Board. Dr. Cuff stated that the handbook has been revised to meet the new state standard and guidelines. He also expressed a thank you to members of the G/T committee for their hard work in preparing the handbook.

Motion No. 3833

On motion by member Harris, seconded by member Goodman, the Board approved the 2013-2014 G/T Handbook as presented by Dr. Cuff, Intermediate School Principal, and G/T Committee. (A copy of the handbook is available in the Superintendent's Office.)

For 6

Ag. 0

Ab. 0

Motion No. 3834

On motion by member Goodman, seconded by member Canady, the Board set the date of Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, for canvassing the May 11, 2013 school trustee election. (A time for the meeting will be scheduled at a later date.)

For 6                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

Motion No. 3835

On motion by member Goodman, seconded by member Rodriguez, the Board approved a request from Mr. Jimmy Mynar, Burleson County Auditor, for the district to return excess proceeds in the amount of \$8,958.03 that was issued to the district in June, 2012. (This request was determined after final judgment was signed by Judge Flenniken on July 30, 2012, awarding the claimants all excess proceeds reference to Tax Suit #9830.)

For 6                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

Members of the Board submitted their ballots voting for Region VI ESC Board of Directors for Place 4 and Place 5. (Ballots will be returned to Region VI for tabulating.)

Mr. Wynn, Technology Director, addressed the Board regarding awarding a bid for the district's optic fiber project. Three bids were received accordingly: J.C. Communications \$92,730.00; CWS \$143,522.00; and Crown Systems \$88,818.00. Mr. Wynn recommended awarding the bid to J.C. Communications.

Mr. Wynn discussed with members of the Board the district's optic fiber project and the need for the district to move forward. He stated that he has already received the security cameras and started the process for wireless cabling. Plans are to place (8) security cameras on each campus. Mr. Wynn stated that he feels that we are ready to move forward with our own optic fiber but could also wait to see what cost savings the City may receive from their bids that will be opened on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

\*Public Input: Mike Sutherland, Burleson County Judge, shared information with the Board regarding the progress that has been made regarding the fiber optic project. The City has hired a pole engineer to complete the routing for the fiber optic and RFB's are due on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Judge Sutherland explained in detail the process of the project. There are four public entities currently in agreement and the school district has been asked to be a part of the consortium. Judge Sutherland stated that the project will continue to move forward as planned.

Motion No. 3836

On motion by member Harris, seconded by member Goodman, the Board voted to table awarding the district's bid for the optic fiber project in order for Mr. Wynn, Technology Director, to get more information from the City after their bids have been received and reviewed on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

For 6                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

Motion No. 3837

On motion by member Harris, seconded by member Canady, the Board approved a funding request received from Jessie Scott and Ryan Key, BPA sponsors, in the amount of \$2,681.71, to attend the National Leadership Conference in Orlando, Florida on May 8-12<sup>th</sup>. (There are two students that have qualified to attend Nationals. Mrs. Scott and Mr. Ryan will attend as sponsors for the trip. )

For 6                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

Members of the Board took a five minute break at approximately 8:12 p.m. before entering into Executive Session to discuss Agenda Item L. Personnel and Student Issues.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

President Noack read the following: "The Board of Trustees on March 22, 2013, beginning at 8:17 p.m. convened in a closed or executive session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

At the end of the executive session, Noack read the following: "The Board ended its closed or executive session at 9:00 p.m. on March 22, 2013. Regular session reconvened at 9:02 p.m.

**Motion No. 3838**

On motion by member Drgac, seconded by member Harris, the Board accepted the following resignations as submitted: Cherie Leifester, 4<sup>th</sup> grade Teacher, Intermediate School  
Lee Leifeste, High School Teacher/Coach  
Gretchen Opersteny, High School Teacher  
Scot Billey, High School Teacher/Coach

For 6                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

**Motion No. 3839**

On motion by member Harris, seconded by member Goodman, the Board approved the following non-renewals with the option to resign if so choose within twenty-four hours of receiving notification letter.

Kevin Greenleaf, DABP Teacher/High School Coach  
Blake Joseph, High School Teacher/Coach  
Kelsey Spittler, High School Teacher/Coach

For 6                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

**Motion No. 3840**

On motion by member Drgac, seconded by member Rodriguez, the Board approved renewing contracts for the 2013-2014 school year for the following employees as recommended by campus principals: Teachers on the High School, Middle School, Intermediate & Elementary School; Teacher/Coaches at High School, Middle School & Intermediate School; Counselors: Dana Clark (High School), Bliss Bednar (Middle School), Karla Devin (Intermediate School) & Beverly Lilie (Elementary School); Chella Gordon, (High School Librarian); & Shelly Hitchcock, (R.N., District Nurse). *Note: 2013-2014 Contract for Lisa Pieper, High School Career Tech Teacher, will be changed to (12 months) (226 days) same as other Career Tech Teachers.*

(See recommendation lists of staff attached and made a part of these minutes.)

For 6                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

**Motion No. 3841**

On motion by member Harris, seconded by member Drgac, the Board approved renewing contracts for 2013-2014 for Lynn Stutts, Computer Systems Support Specialist and Roger (Keith) Johnson, Network System Administrator as recommended by Lewis Wynn, Technology Director.

For 6                      Ag. 0                      Ab. 0

Motion No. 3842

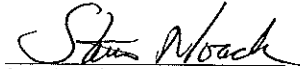
On motion by member Drgac, seconded by member Goodman, the Board approved renewing the contract for 2013-2014 for Sandra Gilland, Middle School Teacher/Coach, who was inadvertently left of the recommendation list in error. Elementary Teacher/M/S, M/S Coach

For 6

Ag. 0

Ab. 0

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

  
Steve Noack, President

  
Layne Drgac, Secretary