



BOARD BRIEFS

Mineral Wells Independent School District

A Summary of Actions by the Board of Trustees Board Workshop/Regular Meeting of June 10, 2014

The Board of Trustees met on June 10, 2014, at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of holding a board workshop/regular meeting. Members present were Joe Ruelas – Board President, Maria Jones – Vice President, Scott Elder – Secretary, Sunny Gail Lee, Greg Malone, and Lauretta Poole. Scott Aaron was absent.

Oath of Office for Elected Board Members:

The Oath of Office was administered to the newly elected board members, Maria Jones and Lauretta Poole, by Judy Brown, Notary Public for the State of Texas.

Board Internal Organization:

The Board internal organization is as follows: Joe Ruelas - Board President, Maria Jones - Vice-President, and Scott Elder – Secretary.

Action Items:

1. Approved the monthly financial reports and accounts payable listing as presented.
2. Approved the water/electricity/gas reports as presented.
3. Approved the board meeting minutes for May 13, 2014 and May 29, 2014 as presented.
4. Approved the Transportation Mileage Report for May 2014 as presented.
5. Approved the Interlocal Agreement with the Palo Pinto County Tax Assessor-Collector for Assessment and Collection Services for the 2014-2015 School Year as presented.
6. Approved the Fuel Proposals for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year as presented.
7. Approved the Adidas Sport Contract as presented.
8. Appointed Lauretta Poole as the Delegate and Scott Elder as the Alternate for the 2014 TASA/TASB Convention scheduled September 25-28 in Dallas.
9. Approved a residency waiver for the Mineral Wells Junior High Principal.
10. Closed Session Items:
 - Approved the employment of the following new personnel and reassignments: Annabelle Doran (Lamar Elementary Counselor) – effective August 4, 2014, Cara Shoemaker (Houston Teacher/3), Erica Luptak-Mort (Houston Teacher/2), Melissa Johnson (High School Teacher/ELA), Daniel Johnson (High School Teacher/PE), Janna Rasmussen (High School Teacher/SS), Ramsey Walker (Lamar/Special Education Speech Language Assistant), and Elijah Acker (Travis/5/Math) - effective August 18, 2014, Jacy Roach (DSC Early Literacy Coach) - effective August 11, 2014, and Sabina Landeros (Junior High Assistant Principal) - effective August 4, 2014.

Information Items:

1. Board held a workshop to discuss Bond Planning, Planning for 2014-2015, Hiring Schedule for 21-30 Year Employees, Board Retreat Date, Board Delegates for Fall TASA/TASB Convention, Adidas Sport Contract, and Student and Booster Club Fundraisers and Athletic Playoff Games.
2. Karyn Bullock, Public Relations Coordinator, recognized four MWS UIL Choir Team members, J. D. Choate – 1st Division, Gold Medal, Male Solo, Ana Garcia – 1st Division, Gold Medal, Female Solo, Anjelica Jones – 1st Division, Gold Medal, Female Solo, and Chantel Ramos – 2nd Division, Silver Medal, Female Solo. Gabriella Kindle, recent graduate of MWS, was recognized for being selected as a Soprano 1 in the 2014 Texas Music Teachers' Association (TMEA) All-State Mixed Choir and receiving a perfect score in sight-reading. J.D. Choate was also recognized for making the finals in the UIL Academic Meet in Poetry Interpretation. J. D. Choate and Angelica Jones performed for the board members and audience.
3. Joe Ruelas, Board President, reminded board members that the 2014 Summer Leadership Institute in Fort Worth, Texas is coming up at the end of June. Board members were asked to contact the superintendent's office, if they plan to attend the institute.
4. Dr. Gail G. Haterius, Superintendent, reported on the attendance figures for the month of May. Travis Elementary was complimented for having the highest attendance rate of 96.1% and high school for coming in a very close second with a rate of 96.07%.
5. Dr. Gail G. Haterius, Superintendent, reported on 2014 LEA Determination Report Special Education Maintenance of Effort (MOE). MWISD is eligible to voluntarily reduce the MOE for the 2014-15 fiscal year due to the determination status of Meets Requirements.
6. Dr. Gail G. Haterius, Superintendent, reported on the Pregnancy Related Services Waiver Review, which must be evaluated at the end of a waiver year. This waiver allows students the option of attending school for four hours during the week instead of receiving home-based instruction.
7. Paul Hearn, Chief Financial Officer, presented the proposed budget calendar. The first budget workshop is scheduled on Tuesday, July 29 and the second one is scheduled on Tuesday, August 19. The announcement of the tentative tax rate and set date for adoption of final budget, new budget, and tax rate is scheduled on Tuesday, August 12. The final budget amendment, adoption of 2014-15 budget, and set tax rates is scheduled on August 26.

8. James Bradford, Maintenance Director, presented the 2013-14 maintenance projects, 2014 summer maintenance projects, and preventive maintenance monthly checklist.
9. Information:
 - The Board received calendars for June and July.
 - Carey Carter, Director of Secondary Education/Assessment/Accountability, reported on the summer schools at MWHS, Travis, and Lamar. In addition, she reported that the food service department fed free breakfast and lunch to approximately 300 summer school students on Tuesday. Plus, they delivered lunches to apartments, Vacation Bible School for local churches, and the city pool.
 - Gerald Perry, Athletic Director/Head Football Coach, reported that 121 students showed up for the Volleyball Camp and 58 students showed up for the Baseball Camp scheduled for Monday, June 9 through Wednesday, June 11.
 - Joe Ruelas, Board President, recognized Maria Jones and Laretta Poole for being elected to serve on the MWISD Board of Trustees for three years and the outstanding leadership of the Board.
 - Dr. Gail G. Haterius, Superintendent, recognized the instructional coaches, Jennifer Seaton, Lindsey Wells, and Jacy Roach, seated in the audience.

Next Regular Meeting will be on July 15, 2014

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