

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

August 27, 2015

6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Gerald Rodriguez, Clover Cochran, Terri Jurena, Mark Goodman, Janet Carrigan, Chris Luttrell & Mike Thompson

Members Absent:

Administrators: Dr. Tim Cuff, Vicki Ochs, Bill Broadbuss, Kim McManus, Seth Alpert, Shaunna Savage, Kim Pagach, Nathan Goodlett, Erin Supak, Lewis Wynn

Guests: John Banks, Denise Hornaday, Norris Braly

President Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. indicating six members present.

Members of the Board spoke of the positive outcome of KBTX's airing of Caldwell High School in their School Spotlight segment.

Member Mike Thompson recognized Superintendent Cuff for his handling of a transportation matter with a student.

Public Input: Mr. Norris Braly addressed the Board regarding the deficit and school safety.

Agenda Item C – Public Hearing: 2015-16 Budget and Tax Hearing

No action taken

Agenda Item E – Student/Staff Recognition

Superintendent Cuff recognized Mrs. Cindy Perry on her retirement and thanked her for 39 years of service.

Motion No. 4182

On motion by member Luttrell, seconded by member Goodman, the Board approved the following: the minutes of the regular meeting on July 23, 2015 and Special Meetings on August 4, August 12, and August 17, 2015; approved expenditures; tax reports; and monthly investment reports for July, 2015, as submitted. No Budget Amendments were presented.

For 7 Ag. 0 Ab. 0

Motion No. 4183

On motion by member Carrigan, seconded by member Jurena, the Board approved the Adoption of the 2015-16 Budget.

For 6 Ag. 1 Ab. 0

*Member Goodman voted against the motion.

Agenda Item H – Adopt Ordinance to Set the Maintenance & Operation and Interest & Sinking Fund Tax Rate:

No action taken.

Motion No. 4184

On motion by member Carrigan, seconded by member Jurena, the Board approved amending the 2014-15 Budget to Actual Revenue and Expenditures as of 8/31/2015.

For 6 Ag. 1 Ab. 0

*Member Goodman voted against the motion.

Agenda Item J – Membership in Walsh Anderson’s Retainer Program

No action taken. The Board requested bids from other vendors for legal services.

Motion No. 4185

On motion by member Thompson, seconded by member Carrigan, the Board approved the bus use request by the Burleson County Fair Association

For 7 Ag. 0 Ab. 0

Motion No. 4186

On motion by member Cochran, seconded by member Carrigan, the Board approved the Pay Scales, Weights, & Stipends for 2015-16.

For 5 Ag. 2 Ab. 0

*Members Luttrell & Goodman voted against the motion.

Motion No. 4187

On motion by member Carrigan, seconded by member Cochran, the Board approved the Worker’s Compensation Solutions proposal

For 7 Ag. 0 Ab.

Motion No. 4188

On motion by member Carrigan, seconded by member Thompson, the Board approved the Adjunct Faculty Appointment Agreement and Resolution from the Burleson County Extension Office:

For 7 Ag. 0 Ab.

Agenda Item O – Presentation of Upcoming Community Event

Middle School Jolly presented the Board with information and video regarding The Big Event, a community wide service project scheduled for the Spring of 2016.

Motion No. 4189

On motion by member Thompson, seconded by member Jurena, the Board approved the acceptance of a \$5,000 donation grant from Lowes Home Improvement to be used for installation of a covered pavilion at the Middle School.

Agenda Item Q – Delinquent Tax Report

No action necessary.

Superintendent's Reports:

*Facilities Update: Q Bond projects – Air conditioning at Elementary & Intermediate Schools are complete, Interior doors at the Elementary & Intermediate Schools are being moved this Saturday (August 29, 2015), Key Fob project is ongoing, High School re-roof project to start soon, High School office update is coming along, new Middle School entrance door to be cut this Saturday.

*Attendance is up from the start of last year

*Reminded Board of the Legislative Update Meeting in Rockdale on September 8, 2015

*Cultural Environment – Sighted an In-Service training and upcoming meeting with campus counselors regarding the cultural environment of our schools.

*Facilities Use Policy – Presented proposed policy for Board members to look over for upcoming Agenda Item in September.

*Middle School security improvements are ongoing


*Substitute employee Health Insurance – Superintendent Cuff informed the Board that we are required to offer Health Insurance to substitute employees, at this time no substitute employees have signed up for insurance.

At-Will Employees: Information Only

Resignations: Louise Fritz, Bus Driver

Tommie Dubcak, Bus Driver

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.


Gerald Rodriguez, President


Terri Jurena, Secretary