

Board Briefs

September 2017

This document has been created by the superintendent to help communicate with the staff and community what is happening at Caldwell ISD.

The board met on Monday, September 25, 2017. The superintendent gave the following reports or recognitions.

1. The Board recognized Coby and Nina for earning their EMT certification this summer after graduation.
2. Robert Gadbois, OBR, gave a brief update on the Community Facility Task Force.
3. Mr. Peters stated the enrollment number is now at 1815. The last time we had 1800 students was in 2013.
4. Dr. Vestal gave a report on ACE/DAEP.
5. New Business:
 - a. The Board listened to a presentation on the various ways governments may contract new construction projects or renovations. The board then voted to begin the process of replacing the HVAC at the high school by selecting DESIGN-BUILD as the method. Mr. Peters stated he believed we would have a number of possible vendors respond to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ).
 - b. Before a construction process begins, the ISD must adopt a prevailing wage schedule. The board voted and approved such schedule.
 - c. In addition, the board voted to adopt the same building code used by the City of Caldwell, the 2008 code, but would consider higher standards when in the best interest of the district.
 - d. The Board approved a Resolution that allowed the district to pay the employees for the days missed due to the bad weather (Harvey).
 - e. The Board voted to change the grading reporting and promotion procedures for the 17-18 year only. Next summer the teachers and parents will be surveyed and if the system works well, the ISD will formally adopt. The procedure allows for PK teachers to report only 3 times per year and conference with parents. The procedure also allows K and 1st to use a report card that does not depend on letter grades. Finally, students in grade 2 – 8 can advance to the next grade level as long as they have an overall average of 70 across all core subjects and at least a 70 in reading and math.
 - f. The minutes, financial reports were all approved.
 - g. The board went to closed session to discuss personnel issues at 8:09 p.m.
 - h. The board came out of closed at 9:02 p.m.
 - i. The board voted to hire Debbie Smith for ½ day Alg I.
6. The Board adjourned at 9:05 p.m.