



Whitehouse Independent School District

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Whitehouse ISD School Board Meeting Summary November 14, 2016

The Board of Trustees held a regular public meeting.

The WISD board discussed the following items:

-The Board opened by offering thanks to the Strong Bond Committee for all their hard work and commitment in their efforts to inform Whitehouse ISD residents about the Bond election.

-School Board Member, Vince Primo officially announced that after December 2016 he would be resigning from the Board. Mr. Primo has dedicated 21 years of service to the WISD School Board of Trustees.

-The Board heard a presentation from the Whitehouse ISD Education Foundation. This is the Foundation's third year awarding teachers education grants. This year, the Foundation will award more the \$80,000 to teachers in WISD.

-The Board heard a presentation from the Whitehouse FFA Public Relations Leadership Development Team. The Team of students addressed the audience with their presentation. The Team recently took third place at the Tarleton State University Leadership Development Event in the Public Relations division.

-During Open Forum, a member of the Smith County Junior Livestock Show addressed the Board and audience thanking them for their support to both the Livestock Show and the students who participate. Also, representatives from Cain Elementary thanked the Board for sending them to Washington D.C. on behalf of Cain Elementary to receive the Blue Ribbon School Award from the U.S. Department of Education.

-Action Items included, but are not limited to:

-Consent Items that involved approving Board Meeting Minutes, monthly financial reports, tax reports, donations, and the 2016 certified tax roll.

-Approving the District's recommendation to hire WRL as the Construction Manager At-Risk for the Bond 2016 projects.

-Considering a resolution to begin the process of making WISD a 'District of Innovation' allowing for more local control.

-Approving a sanction for abandonment of contract by a certified professional term contract employee

--Information items included, but are not limited to:

-A presentation regarding the architectural designs for the Baseball, Softball, and Tennis facilities.

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

- New hires, resignations/terminations, and retirements

- The Special Education Department will take their annual trip to Walmart to go Christmas shopping with their pre-K Life Skills students.

- WISD will be closing on the land purchase of 83 acres on Thursday, November 17th.

- After a completion of renovations, the School Nutrition office and the Education Foundation have been moved into what was formally the Special Education offices.

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