



BOARD BRIEFS

Mineral Wells Independent School District

A Summary of Actions by the Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting of August 11, 2009

The Board of Trustees met on August 11, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of holding a regular meeting. Members present were Mike Tincer, Ellen Starr, Scott Aaron, David Bullock, Scott Elder, and Joel Hardeman. Joe Ruelas was absent from the meeting.

Action Items:

1. The monthly financial reports, bills, and checks written since the last meeting were approved.
2. The board meeting minutes for July 14, 2009 were approved.
3. The Board approved the 2009-2010 Appraisal Calendar/PDAS Appraisers.
4. The Board approved a proposed tax rate of \$1.24 for the 2009-2010 school year, which is .02 cents less than last year.
5. The Board approved a vendor list for office, instructional, library, and athletic supplies for the 2009-2010 school year.
6. The Board approved a fuel contract from Connel Oil Corporation for the 2009-2010 school year.
7. The Board approved revisions to Board Policy EIC (LOCAL): Academic Achievement/Class Ranking.
8. The Board voted against state recommendations in curriculum changes and kept credits as "local requirements." Any seniors having a problem with their graduation plans will be handled on an individual basis by high school counselors and administrators.
9. The Board approved a Multi Regional Purchasing Cooperative Region XI Participation Agreement for the 2009-2010 school year.
10. The Board heard a report on the student handbook and approved the Code of Conduct for the 2009-2010 school year.
11. Closed Session Items:
 - Accepted the resignations of Karla Rogers (Mineral Wells High School/SE) effective July 28, 2009 and Kelsey Capps (Travis/4/ESL) effective August 11, 2009.
 - Approved the employment of Marilyn Eady-Seaman (MWHS Teacher/Family Consumer Science), Brittany Johnston (MWJHS Teacher/Coach), Rachel Uptergrove (Travis Teacher/5), Benjamin Garrett (Travis Teacher/Band), Brittany Medders (Travis Teacher/4), John Jordan (MWHS Teacher/SE/Skills), James Custer (MWHS Teacher/Coach/LA), Richard Snyder (MWHS Teacher/Coach/MH), and Lorraine Parsons (Lamar Teacher/Bilingual) effective August 17, 2009.

Information Items:

1. Mary Creighton, director of public relations, presented Libby Cluett, Mineral Wells Index reporter, with a TASB Media Honor Roll certificate for her fair and consistent reporting of the school district's events.
2. Bobbye Estes, assistant superintendent of instructional services/testing, reported on the **State Accountability**. Mineral Wells Independent School District, Mineral Wells High School, Travis Elementary, Houston Elementary, and Lamar Elementary were rated as "**recognized**" and Mineral Wells Junior High School and Mineral Wells Academy were rated as "**academically acceptable**" campuses.
3. Bobbye Estes reported that all campuses and the district met the **Federal Accountability - Adequate Yearly Progress**.
4. Bobbye Estes reported that the Merchant's Breakfast and Exhibits is scheduled from 7:30 – 9:30 a.m. on Monday, August 17 in the high school cafeteria. Immediately following the breakfast, the staff will adjourn into the high school auditorium for the opening day convocation. A newsletter of upcoming events was furnished to each board member.
5. Linda Porter-Bradford briefly discussed the employee fingerprinting that was scheduled on July 20-24 and 27-29. Approximately 360 teachers, paraprofessionals, and substitutes were fingerprinted in these eight days. Additional fingerprinting is scheduled for September 14 and 15 for individuals not certified under SBEC.
6. Dr. James R. Collins provided the board members with a status report on the MWISD roof improvements.
7. The Board received calendars for the month of August and September.

Next Regular Meeting will be on September 8, 2009

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