



Whitehouse Independent School District

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Whitehouse ISD School Board Meeting Summary May 17, 2017

The Board of Trustees held a regular public meeting.

The WISD board discussed the following items:

-The Board opened by approving the hiring of three major positions. Ms. Jaculyn Zigtema was approved to be the new Special Education Director. Ms. Lisa Schwartz was approved to be the Principal at Brown Elementary. Ms. Susan Limmer was approved to be the Principal at Holloway 6th grade campus.

-Superintendent Dr. Christopher Moran recognized several employees and students for their hard work, dedication, and recent achievements. Ms. Doris Pitts will be leaving the district after 48 years in public education. Mr. Denny Whitley will also be leaving the district with more than 30 years in public education. Ms. Susanne Rice was recognized for being named the Region VII Assistant Principal of the Year. Ms. Stephanie Schminkey received an award from Baylor University for being a Memorable Teacher. Theresa Wilson is stepping into the role as Director of School Nutrition. Students Kate McLeod and MacKenzie Santschi were recognized for their performance at recent UIL Academic Competitions.

-No one signed up for Open Forum.

-Information items included, but are not limited to:

-Construction update.

-WRL presented a power point showcasing the progress made on current construction projects including the maintenance building and athletic complex. Construction is on schedule.

-Outsourcing Grounds Maintenance

-Mr. Duane Barber discussed outsourcing lawn maintenance for specific campuses. Currently, the district has been in a trial period with a company and will continue to use them under a flexible contract.

-The Mentoring Alliance/ Boys & Girls Club of East Texas

-The Boys & Girls Club of East Texas program will begin at Cain Elementary at the start of the 2017-2018 school year. President Kevin East provided the Board of Trustees a rundown of their program and the goals they hope to share with students in the Whitehouse community.

-School Finance Update

-CFO Clint Ray provided the Board of Trustees with a summary of the school's current financial status.

-Preliminary 5th & 8th Grade STAAR Data

-Dr. Trampas Bass provided the Board of Trustees with a summary of preliminary test scores.

-Action Items included, but are not limited to:

-Consent Items that involved approving Board Meeting Minutes, monthly financial reports, tax reports, donations, and policy updates.

-Consider approval of high school courses

-Consider approval of change order for the new greenhouse at the High School campus.

-Consider approval of disposal of unnecessary property valued more than \$2,500.

-Consider approval of textbook adoption

-The Board of Trustees were presented with the general election results from the May 6th, 2017 election.

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

-New hires, resignations/terminations, and retirements

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