

# REGULAR BOARD MEETING

April 21st, 2014

7:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert Davidson, Mark Baker, Joel Alvarez, Ray O'Brien, Mark Pruitt, Corey Ayers, and Oscar Guardiola.

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Elbert Wuthrich, Superintendent and Jimmy Ericson, Business Manager, James German, High School Principal and Scott Lucas, Elementary Principal.

VISITORS: Jason Fortner, Staci Brown, Carla James, Lauren Wilson, Laura Holder, Joel Dietz, Carrie Casarez, John Schmidt, Floyd Taylor, Jim McHam, Sam Gonzales with Windstream, Bruce Heflin, B. Foster, Casey Jay, and James Kimbrell visited.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER and quorum was established. Opening prayer was said and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

## 2. APPROVE CONSENT ITEMS

- a. Minutes from previous meetings
- b. Bills payable
- c. Financial Reports - Mr. Ericson asked that the Board approve the revision of the Ag Department budget for 2013-14, in the amount of \$2,500.

MOTION, by Mark Baker, SECONDED by Corey Ayers, to revise the Ag Dept budget. 7- FOR, 0 - AGAINST

MOTION, by Mark Pruitt, SECONDED by Ray O'Brien to approve consent items. 7- FOR, 0 - AGAINST

## 3. OPEN FORUM

Bruce Heflin spoke about the Commissioners election May 27th. John Schmidt spoke about the Lions Club Broom & Mop sale and the election voting place in our Elementary auditorium. Floyd Taylor had questions about the geothermal system.

4. SEALED BIDS FOR SCHOOL EQUIPMENT/BUSES Sealed proposals for the mower, shredder, pickup, gator and buses were opened. The matter was tabled: one proposal was not itemized and therefor the Board voted not to accept any of the proposals.

MOTION, by Ray O'Brien, SECONDED by Mark Pruitt to table bids for equipment.  
7- FOR, 0 - AGAINST

5. SEALED PROPOSALS FOR SPRINKLER SYSTEM ON NORTH PRACTICE FIELDS The Board reviewed and approved the bid from Jordansville Landscapes, in the amount of \$69,500, to install underground sprinkler system and re-seed the practice fields.

MOTION, by Corey Ayers, SECONDED by Mark Pruitt to approve bid for sprinkler system.  
7- FOR, 0 - AGAINST

6. PRINCIPALS/SITE BASE COMMITTEE REPORT

Mrs. Casarez reported to the Board on the Site Base Committee and Mr. German and Mr. Lucas reported on their respective campuses.

7. ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

Carla James and Laura Holder reported to the Board on the High School English department. Staci Brown and Jason Fortner reported to the Board on the Jr. High English department and Lauren Wilson reported on the Elementary English department.

8. REVIEW/APPROVE UIL EXEMPTIONS FOR SECONDARY

The Board reviewed and approve the exemption from semester finals for students that placed in the top 6 in UIL contests.

MOTION, by Mark Baker, SECONDED by Oscar Guardiola, to UIL exemption.  
7- FOR, 0 - AGAINST

9. RESIGNATION/HIRE PERSONNEL

Mr. Wuthrich reported to the Board that Nancy Demel, Food Service Director, will retired effective June 30th, 2014.

MOTION, by Mark Baker, SECONDED by Ray O'Brien, to accept the resignation of Nancy Demel.  
7 - FOR, 0 - AGAINST

10. REVIEW/APPROVE BANDWIDTH PROPOSAL

Mr. Dietz reported to the Board proposed new contract with Windstream to provide internet access to the School. Windstream has agreed to install fiber optic cable to the school, which will increase the bandwidth needed for testing,

teaching and daily business. Sam Gonzales, with Windstream, also spoke to this issue. The cost per month, in the initial year, will be \$5,657. The following year, that cost will be reduce by about 70%, when the E-rate is applied.

MOTION, by Mark Pruitt, SECONDED by Corey Ayers to approve the proposal for internet service.  
7- FOR, 0 - AGAINST

11. REVIEW ADOPT UPDATE 99

The Board review and approved Update 99 to our Policy Manual, as recommended by TASB.

MOTION, Mark Pruitt, by SECONDED by Corey Ayers, to approve Update 99.  
7- FOR, 0 - AGAINST

12. REVIEW/ADOPT EIF LOCAL ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT GRADUATION

The Board reviewed and approve the update to local policy EIF, regarding the Academic Achievement Graduation diploma.

MOTION, by Oscar Guardiola, SECONDED by Mark Baker, to approve and adopt EIL local.  
7- FOR, 0 - AGAINST

13. HEALTH ADVISORY SUMMARY

Mr. Wuthrich presented to the Board, the annual Health Advisory Committee report.

14. REVIEW PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY

The Board reviewed and approved the Parent Involvement Policy. This is an annual evaluation of surveys and information to involve parents in the education of their children.

MOTION, by Joel Alvarez, SECONDED by Oscar Guardiola, to approve PIP policy.  
7 FOR, 0 - AGAINST

15. TITLE I PROGRAM EVALUATION AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT

The Board reviewed and approved the Title I Program evaluation and needs assessment according to surveys and school data for the year.

MOTION, by Mark Pruitt, SECONDED by Corey Ayers, to approve Title I program.  
7- FOR, 0 - AGAINST

