

Thursday, July 20, 2017

The Hemphill Independent School District Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, July 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. for a regular Board Meeting in the HISD Administration Office with the following members present: Chad Moody, Tammie Bennett, Steve Conn, Tom Cryer, Gary Parks, and Janis Speights.

Members absent: Lynn Lindsey.

Also present were Reese Briggs, Superintendent, Sally Butler Business Manager, Kelli Barnett, Marc Griffin, Jeremy McDaniel, Susan Smith, Terri Schafer, Kim Scales, Eric Heslip, Susan Matthews, Michael Barfield, Ronald Barlow, Vance Vickers, Caleigh Sparks, Linda McWhorter, Sarah Harris, Heather Williamson, and Josh Moody.

Janis Speights gave the invocation.

Chad Moody led the pledge to the Flag.

Tammie Bennett recited the Hemphill ISD Mission Statement.

Visitors and Comments: New employees were introduced at this time.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Tammie Bennett, seconded by Gary Parks, passed unanimously.

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting June 15, 2017

Minutes of Special Board Meeting/Preliminary Budget Workshop June 21, 2017

Minutes of Special Board Meeting/Board Training July 10, 2017

Bills, Financial Reports, and Investment Reports for the month of June 2017

Reese Briggs, Superintendent, gave the Superintendent's Report:

Enrollment	Projected		
School	2015 - 2016	2016 - 2017	2017 - 2018
High School	264	257	257
Middle School	271	258	255
Elementary School	386	387	387
Total	921	902	899

PK - 40, K - 65, 1 - 72, 2 - 66, 3 - 72, 4 - 72, 5 - 72, 6 - 56, 7 - 65, 8 - 62, 9 - 75, 10 - 64, 11 - 55, 12 - 63, Total - 899

There were no Student Overnight Trip Requests.

Personnel Update

Margaret White - Child Nutrition Director, Caleigh Sparks - MS Paraprofessional/Coach, Vance Vickers - MS Teacher/Coach, Heather Williamson - MS Teacher

## Technology Report

Eric Heslip gave a technology report.

## Principal's Report

Each Principal reported on their campus.

## TASA/TASB Convention

October 6 - 8, 2017 at Dallas, Texas

## Team of 8 Training/Board Goals Discussion

Mr. Briggs and Board Members discussed the training.

## Facilities Update

Cafeteria Cooler has been installed. New Gym renovation drawings were discussed. Girl's batting cage will be considered.

## Property Value Study

Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson's Property Study Appeal resulted in a reduction of \$1,852,805 from the state comptroller's estimate and is expected to generate \$21,500 in additional state aid.

Reese Briggs, Superintendent, presented the Superintendent's Recommendations.

Recommend approval of a Proposed Tax Rate of \$1.04 for the 2017 - 2018 school year.

Recommend a Proposed Tax Rate of \$1.04 for the 2017 - 2018 school year to be published in the notice for a public hearing to discuss the 2017 -2 018 School District Budget and Proposed Tax RAte at 6:00 p.m. on August 29, 2017 in the Hemphill ISD Board Room. Also recommend that the 2017 - 2018 Tax Rate and Budget be adopted at the Regular Board Meeting on August 29, 2017 immediately after the Public Hearing.

The Board approved a Proposed Tax Rate of \$1.04 for the 2017 - 2018 school year on a motion by Janis Speights, seconded by Steve Conn, passed unanimously.

Recommend approval for STMath K - 5th grade software.

The Board approved STMath K - 5th grade software on a motion by Tammie Bennett, seconded by Steve Conn, passed unanimously.

Discuss and, if appropriate, action to appoint one TASB Delegate and one alternate.

The Board approved Lynn Lindsey as a Delegate on a motion by Janis Speights, seconded by Tammie Bennett, passed unanimously. The Board approved Tammie Bennett as the alternate on a motion by Chad Moody, seconded by Janis Speights, passed unanimously.

Recommend approval of Chapter 41 Recapture Option/delegate authority to superintendent to obligate the school district under Texas Education Code 11.1511(c)(4) Chapter 41.

The Board approved the board delegate contractual authority to obligate the school district under Texas Education Code (TEC) 11.1511 (c)(4) to the superintendent, solely for the purpose of obligating the district under TEC, Chapter 41, Subchapters A and D, and the rules adopted by the commissioner of education as authorized under TEC, 41.006 for option 3, Purchase of Attendance Credits, on a motion by Steve Conn, seconded by Janis Speights, passed unanimously.

Recommend approval of District's Audit Services.

The Board approved Alexander Lankford & Hiers as presented for an estimated amount of \$22,250 on a motion by Tom Cryer, seconded by Gary Parks, Tammie Bennett abstained, passed unanimously.

Recommend approval of District Copiers/Agreement.

The Board approved the bid from Canon Solutions America Inc on a motion by Janis Speights, seconded by Steve Conn, passed unanimously.

Recommend approval of Region 5 and Region 7 ESC fees.

The Board approved Region 5 and Region 7 ESC fees and Southeast Texas Cooperative Purchasing Co-op and Resolution on a motion by Tammie Bennett, seconded by Steve Conn, passed unanimously.

Recommend approval for tax refund request.

The Board approved the tax refund request as presented for Gregory and Brandy Backofen for \$1,9012.87 for Homestead Exemption on a motion by Janis Speights, seconded by Tom Cryer, passed unanimously.

Recommend approval to move August Board Meeting.

The Board approved to move the August Board Meeting to Tuesday, August 29, 2017 on a motion by Tammie Bennett, seconded by Steve Conn, passed unanimously.

Recommend approval to change September and October regular board meeting dates due to football season.

The Board approved to change September and October regular board meeting dates due to football season to Monday, September 18, 2017 and Monday, October 16, 2017 on a motion by Tom Cryer, seconded by Gary Parks, passed unanimously.

Recommend approval of 2017 - 2018 District and Campus Improvement Plans.

The Board approved the 2017 - 2018 District and Campus Improvement Plans with Region 7 ESC suggestions on a motion by Steve Conn, seconded by Tom Cryer, passed unanimously.  
Recommend approval of contract with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson LLP.

The Board approved a contract renewal with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson LLP on a motion by Steve Conn, seconded by Tammie Bennett, passed unanimously.

Recommend approval to renew worker's compensation proposal.

The Board approved to renew worker's compensation proposal with TASB Risk Management in the amount of \$10,974 for the 2017 - 2018 school year on a motion by Janis Speights, seconded by Gary Parks, passed unanimously.

Adjourn for Executive Session allowed by Gov. Code 551.074 - For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment of duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee.

The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:02 p.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:30 p.m.

Recommend accepting resignations, employing personnel, or reassignment of personnel, if necessary.

The Board approved a resignation from Margaret Quick - MS Teacher on a motion by Janis Speights, seconded by Tammie Bennett, Steve Conn abstained, passed unanimously.

The Board made a motion by Steve Conn to not release Donna Graham, Educational Diagnostician, until a replacement has been found and then release her, seconded by Tom Cryer, passed unanimously.

Recommend approval to amend the 2017 - 2018 school calendar.

The Board approved amending the 2017 - 2018 school calendar on a motion by Janis Speights, seconded by Tom Cryer, passed unanimously.

Sally Butler, Business Manager, presented Budget Amendment # 9 for the 2016 - 2017 School Year

199 00 5744 11 000 7 00000	\$	3,000.00
199 11 6399 11 001 7 11000	\$	(1,000.00)
199 11 6399 11 041 7 11000	\$	(1,000.00)
199 11 6399 11 101 7 11000	\$	(1,000.00)

To record donation from The Salvation Army for school supplies

240 00 3450 00 000 7 00000	\$	12,000.00
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240 35 6399 00 999 7 99L00           \$       (12,000.00)

To purchase cafeteria equipment: Pass through refrigerator and two garbage disposals

The Board approved Budget Amendment # 9 for the 2016 - 2017 School Year on a motion by Tammie Bennett, seconded by Gary Parks, passed unanimously.

Sally Butler, Business Manager, presented a Memo to the Board regarding Special Revenue Funds

429 00 5829 00 000 7 00000           \$       2,450.00

427 11 6119 00 101 7 00000           \$       (2,450.00)

To record revenue from TEA for Literacy and Math Academy Stipends

There being no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. on a motion by Chad Moody, seconded by Steve Conn, passed unanimously.

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Chad Moody, President  
Hemphill Board of Education

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Tammie Bennett, Secretary  
Hemphill Board of Education