



HEMPSTEAD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD NOTES

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

May 21, 2007

Items for discussion and/or action:

- The canvass of the votes was given by the Board president.
- The certificates of election for the three candidates were read and signed by the Board president.
- The oath of office was given to each of the three candidates.
- Dr. Black made a motion to keep the Board officers as is and was seconded by Ricky Pearce.
- The Board recognized:
 - Middle School Aerospace Scholars
 - Blair Schmidt
 - Nancy Kunkel
 - Congratulations to these two ladies for being selected to participate in the Middle School Aerospace Scholars for the week of June 10th through June 15th at the NASA Johnson Space Center.
 - High School
 - Dairy Cattle Judging Team
 - Clint Stepan
 - Britni Becvar
 - Evan Sebastian
 - Montanna Harper
 - Lindsey Qualls
 - ❖ 2nd Place Team – Washington County Fair
 - ❖ 4th Place Team – State Fair of Texas
 - ❖ 1st Place Team – Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo (2nd year in a row)
 - ❖ 2nd Place Team – Tarleton State University Invitational
 - ❖ 1st Place – District IV Dairy Cattle Judging Team
 - ❖ 1st Place – Area III Dairy Cattle Judging Team (Total Score – 1319 – Highest Team Score in Hempstead FFA History)
 - ❖ 17th Overall – State FFA Dairy Cattle Judging Team Qualifier
 - Welding Competition
 - Juan Vargas
 - ❖ Blinn College Welding Competition
 - Grand Champion Welder
 - ❖ Tulsa Welding School National Welding Competition
 - 12th High Point Welder Nationally
 - 2nd High Point Welder from Texas
- The Board approved the minutes of:
 - Regular Board Meeting of April 16, 2007
 - Special Building Committee Meeting of April 20, 2007
- Mrs. Vines thanked the following for their donations:
 - Hempstead High School
 - Diamond Door Products (Steve Curry) – Metal door for the high school counseling center which will secure the closet where the TAKS materials are kept.
 - Helen Traweek – Drafting table to the CTE Department (\$500)

- Hempstead Ministerial Alliance - \$1,100.00 for TAKS incentives (donated February '07)
 - Hempstead Middle School - Donations for the 5th six weeks student success assembly:
 - Nancy Kunkel – Potato Clock
 - Jena Qualls – Six \$10.00 Sonic gift cards
 - Carol Smart –
 - Electronic Dart Board
 - Baseball Card Set
 - \$10.00 Wal-Mart Gift Card
 - Girl's Ankle Bracelet
 - Astros' T-Shirt
 - Astros' Baseball Cap
 - Girl's Sunglasses
 - Repka's Hardware –
 - Frosty Mug
 - Decorative Pillow
 - Beach Towel
 - 2 Fun Saver Kodak Cameras
 - Cindy Pearce –
 - Soccer Ball
 - Disco Ball
 - Cathy Schneider – \$10.00 Wal-Mart Gift Card
 - Hempstead PTO –
 - 6 Bobcat Stadium Seats
 - 4 Bobcat CD Holders
 - 2 Bobcat License Plate Covers
 - 3 Bobcat Antenna Balls
 - 3 Bobcat Jewelry Sets
 - Pizza Hut – 15 coupons for free personal pizzas
 - Marilyn Jozwiak – Two \$10.00 Wal-Mart Gift Cards
 - Hempstead Elementary School
 - Wal-Mart – Special Education kits for 3rd graders by the Burpee Garden Products Company.
 - Hempstead Chamber of Commerce (Beth Ewing) - \$250.00 cash for TAKS incentive prizes.
 - Donations from the following were given for the tree dedication for LaRon Livingston:
 - Canon Monument (Robert Canon) – Granite Marker
 - Maria Novelo – Balloons to release
 - DiIorio's (Cheryl Cooke) – Helium for ballons
 - Wal-Mart (Dennis Wilman) – Blue ribbons
 - Hall's Tree & Nursery (Joe Hall) – Oak Tree
- Mrs. Vines gave the Superintendent's Report:
 - Enrollment Update – 1,365
 - End of Year Staff Banquet – Thursday, May 24th at 6:00 p.m. at the Middle School/High School cafeteria.
 - Graduation – Friday, June 1st at 7:00 p.m. at the Prairie View A&M Baby Dome.
 - Summer Hours - Monday thru Thursday: 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (1 hour lunch)
Friday: Closed

- Preliminary TAKS Results for each campus and the district.
- Teacher Resignation – Jennifer Dufreche, Biology teacher at the high school, has resigned effective June 1st.
- Building Committee Update – Mrs. Vines and Dr. Black discussed what has been accomplished so far.
- Mrs. Loukanis gave the tax report for the district. The Board approved the payment of the bills for the month.
- Board approved:
 - TASB Risk Management Fund.
 - Student Transfers for 2007-08.
 - Mrs. Buenger’s resignation effective at the end of March ‘07.
 - Apple Lab purchase for Media Training for the CATE department at the high school.
 - Revision of HISD Board Policy DCD (Local) to establish a contract for the business manager.
 - Name change for HISD Board Policy FB (Local) to name Courtney Williams in charge of 504 and the Superintendent in charge of Title 9.
 - Counselor’s position at the middle school.
 - Enter in to a contract with Walsh, Anderson, Brown, Schulze as the HISD attorney.
 - Authorized Betty Vines to approve employment/contract recommendations for professional staff between the dates of May 22nd and August 17th.
- Board “tabled” the following agenda items:
 - Full-Service Custodial Contract Bids
- Mr. Hill discussed HISD partnering with Waller ISD to apply for a technology grant. And he also discussed in detail the problems the district is experiencing with the Dell computers.
- Mr. Richard discussed the quality control reports regarding the custodial services and answered the Board’s questions.
- Mr. Garfield discussed hanging a ‘welcome banner’ and asked Mr. Richard to obtain prices.

The Board entered into closed session at 9:47 p.m. and returned to open session at 11:18 p.m.

Action taken after the closed session was:

- The Board approved a Probationary Contract for Manuela Reyes.
- The Board approved a revised teacher pay scale for 2007-08.
- The Board approved a 4% pay increase for paraprofessional and auxiliary employees for the 2007-08 school year.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 p.m.