

May 19, 2009

A regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Falls City ISD was held in the boardroom on Wednesday, May 19, 2009.

Members Present:

Patrick Jarzombek, Vice-President
Mindy Jendrusch, Secretary
Eddie Bordovsky
Stephen Dziuk
Alfie Kowalik
Jerry Jendrusch

Also Present:

Linda Bettin, Superintendent
Kim Moy, Counselor
Teri Crawford, Bookkeeper
Cathy Stolle

Members Absent:

Raymond Dziuk, President

1. Meeting called to order

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President, Patrick Jarzombek at 7:04 p.m.

2. Open Forum

No one spoke during open forum.

Raymond Dziuk arrived at 7:06 p.m.

3. Recognition of students who advanced and placed beyond district-level in UIL academic and/or athletic events

There were none at this time.

4. Reports from administration and staff

Ms. Bettin stated that Mrs. Blocker was at a baseball playoff game in San Antonio. She also stated that the preliminary TAKS results look like we will be rated “exemplary” for both campuses and the district.

5. Administer Oath of Office

Teri Crawford, Notary Public, administered the Oath of Office to board members, Mindy Jendrusch and Raymond Dziuk.

6. Board reorganization and election of officers

The meeting was turned over to Superintendent Linda Bettin to request nominations for School Board President. Mindy Jendrusch nominated Raymond Dziuk for President. Alfie Kowalik seconded the motion. All in favor. Raymond Dziuk then opened the floor for nominations for Vice-President. Stephen Dziuk moved to nominate Pat Jarzombek for Vice-President. Jerry Jendrusch seconded the motion. All in favor. Raymond Dziuk then opened the floor for nominations for Secretary. Pat Jarzombek moved to nominate Mindy Jendrusch as secretary. Stephen Dziuk seconded the motion. All in favor.

7. Consider/approve minutes of previous meetings

Jerry Jendrusch moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Alfie Kowalik seconded. All in favor.

8. Consider/approve payment of bills

Travel expenses were discussed. It was stated that travel expenses can include registration for conferences and hotel rooms, not just travel. Jerry Jendrusch moved to approve the bills as presented. Stephen Dziuk seconded the motion. All in favor.

9. Distribute/discuss Board Policy Update 85

Ms. Bettin distributed copies of Board Policy Update 85 to the board. The policy update was reviewed and discussed. Ms. Bettin stated that she had contacted TASB, our automobile insurance carrier, to see if school district vehicles were covered when they are used for non-school activities. They are not covered, so from now on the school will not allow buses or other vehicles to be used by others for non-school activities.

10. Consider/approve continued shared service arrangement with Regional Day School Program for the Deaf-Victoria

Ms. Bettin recommended the board approve continuing the shared service arrangement with the Regional Day School Program for the Deaf. Alfie Kowalik moved to approve the shared service arrangement. Eddie Bordovsky seconded. All in favor.

11. Consider/approve continuing student accident insurance coverage with Columbian Life Insurance Company

Ms. Bettin presented the student accident insurance coverage with Columbian Life Insurance Company. All the coverage will stay the same as last year, including the premium. This is the Texas Value Plan on all school UIL activities. The premiums are \$13,500 and \$772 for catastrophic coverage. Ms. Bettin requested we approve continued coverage with Columbian Life Insurance Company. Pat Jarzombek moved to approve Columbian Life Insurance Company for our student accident insurance coverage as presented. Mindy Jendrusch seconded the motion. All in favor.

12. Consider/approve student transfers for the 2009-2010 school year

Ms. Bettin presented the transfer requests for the 2009-2010 school year. Eddie Bordovsky moved to accept the transfer students as presented. Jerry Jendrusch seconded the motion. All in favor.

13. Consider/approve additional option for OFYP students

Ms. Bettin reviewed the current optional flexible year plan for the students. This program has proved to be very successful for our students. The additional option that would be added to the criteria for the OFYP would be that if the student passes TAKS and meets all other criteria they will be able to exempt (X) the semester exam for that subject. The student may take the final exam and if they are not happy with the grade, they may still take the 90 or exempt. Mindy Jendrusch moved to approve the additional option for the OFYP as presented. Pat Jarzombek seconded the motion. All in favor.

14. Consider/approve sale of obsolete materials/items

Ms. Bettin is requesting that the board approve a sale of obsolete items and materials that will take place on June 22, 23, and 24th. Alfie Kowalik moved to approve the sale of obsolete materials. Eddie Bordovsky seconded the motion. All in favor.

15. Update on proposed projects

Ms. Bettin presented the project proposal on the high school restroom addition. This is an all competitive sealed bid proposal. Jerry Jendrusch suggested the board consider a retrofit roof for the high school building and gym due to the low price of materials at this time. The board needs to consider the project on material and labor separate to save money on the project.

16. Consider/approve funding of selected projects

Mindy Jendrusch moved to approve funding of the high school addition project through the bid process. Stephen Dziuk seconded the motion. All in favor. Stephen Dziuk moved to approve funding to contract with Structural Design Services to develop plans for the retrofit roof project for the gym and high school including bills of materials for quotation. Eddie Bordovsky seconded the motion. All in favor.

17. Superintendent's Report

Ms. Bettin reported that we will be getting about \$56,000 in ARRA/Stimulus funds. This is for Title I and Special Education. We will update our classrooms with projectors and other technology for the students. She stated that our staff workday is Saturday, May 30th. The board discussed providing breakfast tacos for the staff on the workday. Ms. Bettin presented a proposal from Longhorn Bus Sales for a new bus. We currently have money in the budget earmarked for buses. She feels we need to continue purchasing at least one bus every two years until we get our fleet in better shape.

18. Consider/approve staff hires/resignations

Alfie Kowalik moved to approve the resignation of Jennifer Carle. Pat Jarzombek seconded the motion. All in favor.

19. Non-Action comments from Superintendent and Board Members

There were no non-action comments from Superintendent or Board Members.

20. Adjourn

Alfie Kowalik moved to adjourn. Stephen Dziuk seconded. All in favor.

TIME: 8:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

_____, President

_____, Secretary