

The Regular Meeting of the McMullen County Independent School District Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, February 25, 2009, at 6:00 P.M. in the Elementary Building, Tilden, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Walt Franklin, President  
Warren Wheeler, Vice-President  
Michael Gunter, Secretary  
Marty Harris  
Jim Teal  
Karen Wheeler

MEMBERS ABSENT: Joe Verastegui

STAFF PRESENT: Frank Franklin, Superintendent  
Scott Higgins, Principal  
Dale Patterson

VISITORS PRESENT: Sherry Sommers

The Meeting was called to order by President Walt Franklin and the Prayer was offered by Dale Patterson.

Motion by Warren Wheeler, second by Jim Teal, to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, January 21, 2009, as copies were mailed to Board Members for advance perusal, and to approve the Minutes as prepared. Carried. (Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No)

The Accounts Payable were then considered.

Motion by Michael Gunter, second by Marty Harris, to approve the Accounts Payable as presented. Carried. (Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No)

President Franklin noted that the visitor was on the Agenda.

Ms. Summers briefed the Board on the Safe Schools-Healthy Students Grant and presented some informational handouts to the Board.

Joe Verastegui entered the Meeting during Ms. Summers' presentation.

After discussion, motion by Michael Gunter, second by Jim Teal, to approve the 2009-2010 School Calendar as recommended by the administration. Carried. (Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, Karen Wheeler abstaining.)

After discussion and consideration, motion by Marty Harris, second by Karen Wheeler, to approve additional transfer students into the District as follows: Ricki Garcia, Kristlyn Hale, Lacy Howard, Darian Mann and Lexy Ybarra. Carried. (Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No)

Dale Patterson presented the McMullen County Foundation for Educational Excellence financial report.

President Franklin called the Board into Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code 551.074 for the discussion of Personnel. TIME: 6:57 PM

President Franklin reconvened the Meeting into Regular Session. TIME: 8:00 PM

Motion by Jim Teal, second by Michael Gunter, to offer Matt Oden a one-year contract as teacher/coach for the 2009/2010 school year. Carried. (Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No)

Motion by Marty Harris, second by Jim Teal, to offer Doug Lum a one-year contract as teacher/coach for the 2009/2010 school year. Carried. (Vote: 4 Yes, 2 No, Walt Franklin abstaining)

Motion by Jim Teal, second by Marty Harris, to offer Scott Higgins a one-year probationary contract as principal for the 2009/2010 school year. Carried. (Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No)

Principal Scott Higgins reported on the implementation of NOVANET and the beginning of spring sports.

President Franklin called the Board into Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code 551.074 for the discussion of personnel. TIME: 8:15 PM

President Franklin reconvened the Meeting into Regular Session. TIME: 8:52 PM

Superintendent Franklin updated the Board on attorney Denise Pierce's career change, the upcoming "Shattered Dreams" event, a recent article in the local newspaper, the 81<sup>st</sup> legislative session and the status of the teacherages.

Warren Wheeler left the Meeting at this time.

Motion by Marty Harris, second by Michael Gunter, to set the date for the next Regular Meeting for March 30, 2009 at 6:00 P.M. Carried. (Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No)

Motion by Michael Gunter, second by Karen Wheeler, to adjourn. Carried. (Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No)

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Walt Franklin, President

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Michael Gunter, Secretary

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