

The Regular Meeting of the McMullen County Independent School District Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, January 24, 2007, at 6:00 P.M. in the Elementary Building, Tilden, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Walt Franklin, President
Warren Wheeler, Vice-President
Julio Garcia
Jim Teal
Karen Wheeler

MEMBERS ABSENT: Michael Gunter, Secretary
Marty Harris

STAFF PRESENT: Frank Franklin, Superintendent
Jay Smith, Principal
Suzi McClaugherty, Business Manager
Paul Peeler, Auditor

VISITORS PRESENT: Lisa Atkinson
Rosie Cavazos

The Meeting was called to order by President Walt Franklin and the Prayer was offered by Warren Wheeler.

Motion by Jim Teal, second by Karen Wheeler, to dispense with reading the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, December 13, 2006, as copies were mailed to Board Members for advance perusal, and to approve the Minutes as prepared. Carried. (Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, Julio Garcia & Warren Wheeler abstaining)

The Accounts Payable were then considered.

Motion by Warren Wheeler, second by Jim Teal, to approve the Accounts Payable as presented. Carried. (Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No)

District Auditor Paul Peeler reviewed the 2005-2006 Financial Audit with the Board.

Marty Harris and Michael Gunter entered the meeting during the auditor's presentation.

Motion by Jim Teal, second by Karen Wheeler, to approve the 2005-2006 Financial Audit as presented. Carried (Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No)

President Franklin recognized the visitors and afforded them the opportunity to address the Board. Lisa Atkinson stated that she was present to observe. Rosie Cavazos, on behalf of the PALS organization, suggested some improvements to the playgrounds.

After discussion, motion by Marty Harris, second by Michael Gunter, to approve the audit proposal of Paul Peeler, CPA, for the years ending August 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009. Carried. (Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No)

Superintendent Frank Franklin discussed the election law changes brought about by House Bill 1 and the actions needed to comply with the law. No action was taken at this time.

After discussion, motion by Marty Harris, second by Jim Teal, that the Board add, revise or delete (Local) Policies, as recommended by TASB Policy Service, according to the instruction sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 79. Carried. (Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No)

Superintendent Frank Franklin presented each Board Member with a certificate of appreciation honoring them during School Board Appreciation Month and noted that the cafeteria staff had prepared a special meal for the Meeting.

Principal Jay Smith updated the Board on the basketball season and recent FFA events. He mentioned that TAKS testing begins in February, the High School UIL contest will be held on March 24th, the senior class will travel to Disney World in Florida this year and there will be an elementary awards assembly February 23rd.

Superintendent Franklin noted that there was a Winter Governance Seminar in Corpus Christi February 15-17.

There was a short break to enjoy the meal prepared by the cafeteria staff.

President Walt Franklin called the Meeting into Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code 551.074 to discuss Personnel. Time: 7:53 PM

President Franklin reconvened the Meeting into Regular Session. Time: 8:53 PM

Motion by Warren Wheeler, second by Marty Harris, to approve the evaluation of Superintendent Franklin and extend his current contract through June 30, 2010. Carried. (Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No)

Motion by Karen Wheeler, second by Michael Gunter, to set the date for the next Regular Meeting for Wednesday, February 21, 2007, at 6:00 P.M. Carried. (Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No)

Motion by Michael Gunter, second by Warren Wheeler, to adjourn. Carried. (Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No)

Walt Franklin, President

Michael Gunter, Secretary

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