

The Regular Meeting of the McMullen County Independent School District Board of Trustees was held on Monday, September 21, 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
Rosie Cavazos, Principal
Dale Patterson

VISITORS PRESENT: Rachel Castillo (representing Camino Real MHMR SS/HS);
Jennifer Carie, Marisa Beaver, Kristin Rivers, Diane Duzik,
Rachel Castillo & J.J. Reynolds-Koe (representing SS/HS);
Lori Donnell, Catie Blaha, Jane Villareal, Alonzo Villareal &
Mary Franklin.

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

Motion by Warren Wheeler, second by Karen Wheeler, to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Monday, August 31, 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 Jim Teal, to approve the Accounts Payable as presented. Carried. (Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No)

President Franklin recognized the visitors and offered them the opportunity to address the Board. The visitors, not on the Agenda, were present to observe and declined to speak.

Representatives from the Atascosa/McMullen Initiative, SS-HS Grant, presented the results of their "Pride Survey."

Joe Verastegui entered the Meeting during the SS-HS presentation.

Principal Rosie Cavazos reported on special programs, the elementary "Open House," the online grade book parent portal ID's and elementary playground improvement plans.

Principal Scott Higgins reported on the "Reconnecting Youth" program and upcoming CPI training.

Superintendent Franklin discussed the tax rate needed to generate revenue for the 2009-2010 adopted budget. Motion by Michael Gunter, second by Marty Harris, to adopt an ordinance setting the tax rate for the 2009-2010 school year; with a maintenance and operation rate of \$.993/\$100 valuation and principal and interest on debts rate of \$.087/\$100 with a total tax rate of \$1.086 per \$100 valuation. Carried. (Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No)

After discussion, motion by Jim Teal, second by Joe Verastegui, to approve the substitute teachers for 2009-2010 as recommended by the administration. Carried. (Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No)

Dale Patterson presented the McMullen County Foundation for Educational Excellence Financial Report.

Completed and upcoming building projects were discussed.

President Franklin called the Meeting into Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code 551.082 for the discussion of discipline. TIME: 8:10 P.M.

President Franklin reconvened the Meeting into Regular Session. TIME: 8:33 P.M.

Superintendent Franklin discussed the TASA/TASB conference and reported on the 81st Legislative Session 2009 Legislative Update.

Motion by Jim Teal, second by Michael Gunter, to set the date for the next Regular Meeting for Monday, October 19, 2009, at 6:00 P.M. Carried. (Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No)

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

Walt Franklin, President

Michael Gunter, Secretary

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