

**THE IRION COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MET IN REGULAR SESSION, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2009.**

1 CALL TO ORDER President Wes Thiers called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Other members in attendance were Joe Narvaez, Stella Wolfenbarger, Valentin Gomez, and Vicente Flores, Jr.

Tom Davidson and Lisa Hight were absent.

Administrators present were Brenda Mendiola, Billy Barnett, Maela Edmonson, and Brian Hastings.

Others in attendance were Pat Wescott, Shannon Chapman, Luann Bailey, Morgan MacKenzie, Mark Noonan, Walter Foster, Travis Garrison, Tom Brown, Chuck Delano, Billy Whyburn, T. Cy Griffin, Doug Koehne, and Susan Liner.

2 OPEN FORUM No one appeared for open forum.

3a BUILDING/RENOVATION PROJECTS Doug Koehne gave a project update referencing prior change orders as well as pending issues. Mrs. Mendiola reported on change proposal #45 calling for removal of the old heaters, vents, and louvers in the gym and capping of the openings. Stella Wolfenbarger made a motion with a second by Vicente Flores, Jr., to approve the change in the amount of \$2,879.80. Motion passed (5).

Change proposal #46 involved the addition of a wall and access panel in the upstairs computer lab to cover ductwork and drainage pipes. The proposal was approved by Mrs. Mendiola in the amount of \$1,297.17 prior to the meeting.

Other changes discussed included wood window sills in four additional windows, replacement of a countertop for the renovated elementary lab removed because it contained asbestos, fire rated glass for two doors in the gym locker area, and the addition of an aluminum expansion joint in the new high school.

Change proposal #48 involving the removal and reconstruction of the south wall in the gym was presented. Mr. Koehne reported on the structural engineer's assessment that the wall was not stable and the mid-beam was not rigid. The proposal involved removing the wall and reconstructing it as well as adding a guard rail for safety. A motion was made by Joe Narvaez and seconded by Stella Wolfenbarger to approve the proposal for an amount not to exceed \$29,111.39. Motion passed (5).

Change order #50 involved a credit of \$32,862 for not demolishing the weight room that was to be turned into a graded lot. The motion was made by Valentin Gomez and seconded by Vicente Flores, Jr. Motion passed (5).

Change proposal #41 involved the addition of a sloped piece of metal trim to place on the ledge of the overlook in building I. A motion was made by Vicente Flores, Jr., and seconded by Joe Narvaez to approve the change in the amount of \$726.00. Motion passed (5).

A handout detailing work completed so far was given to the board by Morgan MacKenzie. He mentioned approaching deadline dates and gave examples of existing problems and issues including possible delays related to items needing action.

There was also discussion about the phone system being installed by Tel-Pro. A Verizon representative met with the district technology director, Raymond Flores, to assess and price the placement of lines for the new system. Tel-Pro also provided an assessment that was less expensive and could be completed quicker. Stella Wolfenbarger made a motion to accept the proposal from Tel-Pro in the amount of \$5,056.00. The motion was seconded by Vicente Flores, Jr. Motion passed (5).

3b MINUTES Vicente Flores, Jr., made a motion with a second by Valentin Gomez to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 17th, and the called meetings held August 25th and 27th with no corrections. Motion passed. (5)

3c CHECKS After discussion a motion was made by Stella Wolfenbarger with a second by Valentin Gomez to pay current bills as presented. (5)

3d COMPREHENSIVE INSURANCE METHOD OF DELIVERY On the recommendation of Mrs. Mendiola a motion was made by Vicente Flores, Jr., with a second by Valentin Gomez to select Interlocal Agreement as the best method for purchasing comprehensive insurance for 2009 – 2010. Motion passed. (5) Current insurance with Trident is through this Interlocal Agreement which originated in 2002.

3e COMPREHENSIVE INSURANCE T. Cy Griffin, with Doyle Morgan Insurance Agency, explained increases to the current insurance policy due to the new facilities. Valentin Gomez made a motion with a second by Vicente Flores, Jr., to accept the quote of \$49,115.00 from Trident through Doyle Morgan Insurance Agency without including the excess liability. Motion passed all voting for.

The board took a break at 7:23 p.m.

3f UPDATE 85 After review a motion was made by Stella Wolfenbarger to add, revise, or delete (LO)CAL) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 85. Valentin Gomez seconded the motion and all voted for. (5)

3g HEALTH ADVISORY MEMBERS Mrs. Mendiola mentioned that a list of possible candidates to serve on the School Health Advisory Council had been generated by Mr. Barnett, Mrs. Edmonson, Ms. Rutherford, Nurse Feller, and herself. New legislation requires school boards to appoint five parents to serve on the council. Four people have agreed to serve on the council so far. Vicente Flores, Jr., made a motion with a second by Stella Wolfenbarger to appoint Shonda Sparks, Jeff Davidson, Ann Sullenger and Santiago Ibarra to serve on the SHAC committee. Three other names were submitted for the fifth position which will be filled during the coming days. Motion passed (5).

3h PERSONNEL There was no need for this item.

The board deviated to item 4b.

4b HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS Mr. Barnett reported that secondary school enrollment is 181 and August attendance was 98.33%. Upcoming events were discussed including homecoming week activities.

The board deviated to item 4a.

4a ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS Mrs. Edmonson mentioned that elementary enrollment is 152 and attendance is 98%. Upcoming events were mentioned.

4c ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S REPORTS Coach Hastings gave a report on football and cross country numbers, junior high football practice after school, and mentioned that the new practice field is looking great.

4d SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS Mrs. Mendiola reviewed the latest version of the prevailing wage rate that was adopted at the last board meeting. The wood for the gymnasium will be delivered September 15th and will acclimate for two weeks before installation. Old units will be removed from the building and the new scoreboard donated by Tom Thorp Transports is scheduled to arrive the first week of October. The tax roll will be approved at a called meeting September 29th and will be followed by a Level I board training – Update to the Texas Education Code, in the Distance Learning Lab. Open house is also scheduled for that night.

5 ADJOURN Stella Wolfenbarger made a motion to adjourn at 8:04 p.m. Wes Thiers made the second, September 14, 2009 with all member voting for.

ICISD President

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