

**THE IRION COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MET IN REGULAR SESSION, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2008.**

1 CALL TO ORDER Stella Wolfenbarger called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Other members in attendance were Tom Davidson, Lisa Hight, Melissa Matthews, Valentin Gomez, and Vicente Flores, Jr.

Wes Thiers was absent.

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

Others: Carolyn McGehee, Debbie McCullough, Luann Bailey, T. Cy Griffin, and Susan Liner

2 OPEN FORUM Carolyn McGehee informed the board she would be retiring the end of this school year. She also requested a change in the policy regarding sick leave days accumulated during the years. She suggested that retiring teachers be paid standard substitute pay for days left over.

3a BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE Mrs. Mendiola informed the board of the upcoming field house proposal deadline and mentioned that there would be a meeting with the contractor, sub contractors, and architect as well as herself on September 23.

4a MINUTES Melissa Matthews made a motion with a second by Tom Davidson to approve the minutes of the regular August 11, 2008 meeting as well as the called session on August 25th with the following changes.

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4c SET PROPOSED TAX RATE The second to the motion made by Melissa Matthews to set the tax rate was made by Mr. Gomez.

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5g SELECT AUDITOR Tom Davidson made the second to the motion by Mr. Gomez regarding the auditing firm.

This motion passed with all members voting for.

4b CHECKS After discussion a motion was made by Valentin Gomez with a second by Tom Davidson to approve the bills as presented. (6)

4c COMPREHENSIVE INSURANCE T. Cy Griffin was in attendance representing Doyle Morgan Insurance Agency. Mrs. Mendiola presented an additional proposal from AIM. After discussing prices and services Valentin Gomez made a motion with a second by Melissa Matthews to table this item until the August 29th called meeting. Motion passed. (6)

4d MENARD COOP AGREEMENT Valentin Gomez made a motion with a second by Tom Davidson to continue the Menard Coop Shared Service Agreement as recommended by Mrs. Mendiola. Motion passed all voting for.

4e EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN After discussion Vicente Flores, Jr. made a motion with a second by Melissa Matthews to approve revisions to the emergency operations plan to comply with the National Emergency Management System requirements. Motion passed. (6)

4f FNF (LOCAL) REVISIONS After review of the drug testing policy Valentin Gomez made a motion with a second by Tom Davidson to delete the section on steroid testing in the consequences section and delete the metal detector searches section as recommended by Mrs. Mendiola. Motion passed. (6) The recommendation was based on a legal advisory submitted by TASB legal service.

4g TRACK REPAIRS OPTIONS Mrs. Mendiola mentioned that there were no responses to the newspaper ad soliciting bids for track repairs. Since there were no responses she contacted Vibra Whirl and Hellas track repair companies. After visiting the track Vibra Whirl had concerns about harming the oak tree and decided not to bid on the job. A representative from Hellas also decided not to bid after visiting with city manager David Harris about the area around the tree.

Prior to the ad three options were received through an Interlocal Agreement with Basic IDIQ and Texas Sports Builders. Stella Wolfenbarger made a motion with a second by Valentin Gomez to accept Option 1 as discussed. Motion passed. (6)

4h AMEND BUS ROUTES After discussion there was a motion by Vicente Flores, Jr. and a second by Valentin Gomez to amend the Barnhart and Arden bus routes. Motion passed all voting for.

4i PROPERTY DISCUSSION The board of trustees on September 15, 2008, beginning at 7:44 p.m., convened in a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Article 551-.074.

The board of trustees ended its closed meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Valentin Gomez made a motion with a second by Vicente Flores, Jr. to give Mrs. Mendiola authorization to negotiate an agreement to possibly purchase property adjacent to school property. Motion passed. (6)

4e PERSONNEL None.

The board deviated to 5b.

5b ELEMENTARY REPORTS Mrs. Edmonson reported on ADA (156) and enrollment (150). She also spoke of HEB Camp, hosting a UIL meet, and K-Buzz.

The board deviated to items 5a, and 5c.

5a SECONDARY REPORTS Mr. Barnett mentioned current enrollment (180), upcoming activities, and drug testing.

5c A. D. REPORTS None.

5d SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS Mrs. Mendiola mentioned Economic Development, the School Safety Audit, and the 313 Application.

5e MISCELLANEOUS None.

6 ADJOURN Melissa Matthews made a motion to adjourn at 8:16 p.m. Stella Wolfenbarger seconded the motion on September 15, 2008. All trustees voted for.

WES THIERS, President

MELISSA MATTHEWS, Secretary

**THE IRION COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MET IN A CALLED SESSION, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2008.**

1 CALL TO ORDER Stella Wolfenbarger called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Other members in attendance were Tom Davidson, Lisa Hight, Melissa Matthews, Valentin Gomez, and Vicente Flores, Jr.

Absent: Wes Thiers

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

Others: T. Cy Griffin, Luann Bailey, and Susan Liner

2 OPEN FORUM No one appeared for open forum.

3a APPROVE TAX ROLL Valentin Gomez made a motion with a second by Melissa Matthews to approve the tax roll as recommended by Mrs. Mendiola. Motion passed. (6)

3b COMPREHENSIVE INSURANCE After discussion Valentin Gomez made a motion with a second by Tom Davidson to continue with the comprehensive insurance offered by Doyle Morgan Insurance Agency. Motion passed. (6)

3c FIELD HOUSE PROPOSALS Lisa Hight recused herself from this item due to the potential for conflict of interest. Mrs. Mendiola presented three options for consideration. After discussion, on the recommendation of Mrs. Mendiola, Tom Davidson made a motion with a second by Valentin Gomez to accept the bid of Blanek Construction to build the new field house. Motion passed. (5) Mrs. Hight abstained.

3d CONTINGENCY EXPENDITURE ITEMS After discussion Melissa Matthews made a motion with a second by Tom Davidson to replace all four air conditioning units on the south end of the middle elementary building. These four units are not included in the bond. Motion passed. (6)

3e OPTION 3 OR 4 On the recommendation of Mrs. Mendiola, Tom Davidson made a motion with a second by Valentin Gomez to approve Option 4 to equalize wealth by partnering with other schools. Motion passed. (6)

3f PERSONNEL Mrs. Mendiola mentioned the need to accept the resignation of Mrs. McGehee that was overlooked at the last meeting. Melissa Matthews made a motion with a second by Tom Davidson to accept the resignation. All members present voted for the motion. (6)

3g OCTOBER MEETING DATE Melissa Matthews made a motion with a second by Vicente Flores, Jr. to hold the next regular meeting on October 13, 2008 instead of October 20th. Motion passed. (6)

4a SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS Things mentioned were a teacher attendance incentive, WTBR and “TLC”, as well as information regarding the inquiry of purchasing lots.

5 ADJOURN Tom Davidson made a motion to adjourn at 7:27 p.m., with a second by Melissa Matthews on September 29, 2008.

WES THIERS, President

MELISSA HIGHT, Secretary