

cWEST OSO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
5050 Rockford Drive, Corpus Christi, Texas 78416
Administration Building Board Room

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Monday, March 26, 2007

The West Oso Independent School District Board of Trustees held its regular board meeting on **Monday, March 26, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.**, in the Administration Building Board Room, 5050 Rockford Drive, Corpus Christi, Texas.

AGENDA

Opening

1. Call to order
The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.
2. Roll call
Board members present: George L. Barrera, Diana Cantu-Guerrero, Shirley Jordan, and Velma Rodriguez.
3. Declaration of quorum
Quorum was established.
4. Pledges of allegiance
5. Notice of Meeting: The meeting has been posted in Accordance with Government Code Chapter 551, State of Texas Open Meetings Act.

Public Comments

6. Audience Participation [Policy BED (Local)]

Board members may not deliberate or make a decision on any matter presented at this time. The Open Meetings Act limits Board response to only two options: 1) a statement of specific factual information given in response to an inquiry; or 2) a recitation of existing policy in response to the inquiry. Any deliberation of or decision about the subject shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting.

No one addressed the board during open forum.

Recognitions

7. Recognitions of Students, Staff, Community Members (Dr. Helms)

Dr. Helms recognized Mr. Soliz and group of students who performed in a recent One-Act Play titled "And They Dance Real Slow in Jackson." Mr. Soliz addressed the board members with a few words and then presented the cast. Dr. Helms presented Mr. Soliz and the cast with a certificate of recognition.

The Army JROTC group was also recognized for their recent participation in the Cunning Running Orienteering Festival and attaining 2nd Place in the Overall Men's Competition. Armando Ramirez was recognized for attaining 1st Place in the 17-18 Year Old Men's Overall Individual Competition; and Martin Perry was recognized for attaining 3rd Place in the same event.

The VICA club will be recognized at the next scheduled board meeting. Mr. Valdez informed that students were engaged in other events and due to weather conditions, the group would prefer to present at the next board meeting.

Consent Agenda:

The following items have been presented to Board Members for study prior to the meeting. These items are considered to be routine and are recommended for approval. There will be no separate discussion of items unless a Board Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered as an item on the regular agenda.

8. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes:
Regular Board Meeting, February 26, 2007
Board Workshop, March 19, 2007 (Dr. Helms)
9. Approval of Monthly Investment Report for February 2007 (Mr. Palacios)
10. Approval of General Fund Financial Report for February 2007 (Mr. Palacios)
11. Approval of 2007 District Goals (Dr. Helms)
12. Approval of Proposals and Contracts from Calence, Time Warner,
and the Education Service Center, Region 2, for the District's E-Rate Funding,
Year 10 (7/1/2007 - 6/30/2008) (Mr. Palacios)
13. Approval of Lease Agreement for Districtwide Copiers (Mr. Palacios)

Mrs. Jordan moved to approve Items 8 – 13 listed in Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Barrera.

Motion carried 4-0.

The board suspended the order of agenda to move to Item 17 and then Item 14.

Reports and Information

17. Report from the Project Architects and Construction Management Firm Regarding the Construction Status of the New High School Campus and Renovation Work for the Current WOHS Facility with Discussion as Appropriate (Dr. Helms)

Mr. Bill Wilson provided an update to the board on the progress of the construction as outlined in his memo dated March 23, 2007. Mr. Wilson informed the Board of the progress being made to the Practice Gym (Alternate 1 & 2), Gym/Athletics (Section 6), Band Hall/Kitchen areas (Section 5), North Classroom Wing (Section 3), Cafeteria/Library/Administration areas (Section 2), South Classroom Wing (Section 1), Central Plant Building, and site work. The Board was informed that the project has been extended by 84 calendar days due to 63 rain days).

Items for Discussion, Deliberation, and/or Action

18. Consider, Discuss, and Act as Appropriate on Subcontractors' Proposals Costs and Scope of Work for Reroofing of Existing West Oso High School to be Finalize in Amendment No. 4 To Agreement between Owner (West Oso ISD) and Construction Manager-At-Risk (Don Krueger Construction Co.) for West Oso ISD's 2004 Bond Construction Project with Authorization to Proceed (Dr. Helms/Mr. Palacios)

Ms. Cantu-Guerrero motioned that the Board approve the amount of \$1,442,000 in the Scope of Work for the Reroofing of Existing West Oso High School to be Finalized in Amendment No. 4, contingent on Construction Manager-At-Risk (Don Krueger Construction Co.) contract finalization with Port Enterprises, Ltd., and if unsuccessful, contract J. Reynolds & Co., Inc., for said project, motion seconded by Ms. Jordan.

Motion carried 4-0.

Reports and Information

14. Communities In Schools Report on Diabetes and Obesity: Plans, Calendar of Events, and Workshops (Dr. Helms/Ms. Treviño)

Ms. Trevino reported to the Board on the Communities in Schools strategies to address obesity and diabetes in District activities. Plans are to coordinate a support health fair at the West Oso High School by contacting community health agencies. In addition, beginning in August, CIS will bring speakers to present to the community on the two topics; develop a calendar of events and prepare communication flyers to promote health fairs and encourage walk-a-thons. CIS will also seek partnerships with the Texas Agriculture Extension Service to present on topics such as nutrition and healthy cooking and with health professionals to do screenings.

15. Report on and Discussion if/as Appropriate of Summer School Plans for 2006-2007 (Dr. Garza)

Dr. Garza reviewed the information provided to the Board in their packets regarding the funding for the summer school program, the different programs which will operate this summer, and the locations and hours of operation for the different programs.

Dr. Garza informed the Board of the costs for the College for Kids program and asked for their support in communicating to parents that if their student(s) do not attend the program once enrolled, the parent(s) will assume the responsibility for the cost of the program, that is \$200 per student.

16. Report and Discussion as Appropriate of 3rd and 5th March Reading TAKS Results (Dr. Garza)

Dr. Garza reviewed the Summary Report – Group Performance reports for Grades 3 and 5 of the February 2007 TAKS Reading administration, which was included in the Board's packet. Dr. Garza highlighted that 77% of the third grade students who tested in the first administration passed the test. Dr. Garza reviewed the analysis of the scores by teacher and student and the plan of action to help the students who did not meet the standard in the first attempt. Dr. Garza informed that 73% of the fifth grade students passed the TAKS reading test in the first administration and reviewed the analysis of the scores by teacher and student.

Items for Discussion, Deliberation, and/or Action

19. Consideration and Approval of an Order by the Board of Trustees of the West Oso Independent School District Authorizing the Issuance of "West Oso Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2007"; Levying a Continuing Direct Annual Ad Valorem Tax for the Payment of the Bonds; Prescribing the Form, Terms, Conditions, and Resolving Other Matters Incident and Related to the Issuance, Sale, and Delivery of the Bonds, Including the Approval and Distribution of an Official Statement Pertaining Thereto; Authorizing the Execution of a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement, an Escrow and Trust Agreement, and a Purchase Contract; Complying With the Letter of Representations With the Depository Trust Company; Delegating the Authority to Certain Members of the Board of Trustees and District Staff to Execute Certain Documents Relating to the Sale of the Bonds; and Providing an Effective Date (Mr. Palacios)

Ms. Jordan motioned to Approve an Order by the Board of Trustees of the West Oso Independent School District Authorizing the Issuance of "West Oso Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2007"; Levying a Continuing Direct Annual Ad Valorem Tax for the Payment of the Bonds; Prescribing the Form, Terms, Conditions, and Resolving Other Matters Incident and Related to the Issuance, Sale, and Delivery of the Bonds, Including the Approval and Distribution of an Official Statement Pertaining Thereto; Authorizing the Execution of a Paying

Agent/Registrar Agreement, an Escrow and Trust Agreement, and a Purchase Contract; Complying With the Letter of Representations With the Depository Trust Company; Delegating the Authority to Certain Members of the Board of Trustees and District Staff to Execute Certain Documents Relating to the Sale of the Bonds; and Providing an Effective Date, seconded by Ms. Cantu-Guerrero.

Motion carried 4-0.

- 20A. Consider, Discuss, and Act as Appropriate on Personnel: Closed Session Govt. Code § 551.074 (Dr. Helms)

Closed session consideration of recommendations regarding employment, including renewal and proposed renewal as well as extension and nonextension of educator and professional contracts for probationary, term, and other contract employment

The Board entered into closed session at 8:55 p.m.

- 20B. Return to Open Session and Take Necessary Action on Matters Which the Board May Discuss in Open Session and Upon Which Action May be Taken

The Board returned to open session at 9:45 p.m. The following actions were taken by the Board with regards to:

Probationary Contract Renewals

Mrs. Jordan made a motion for the Board to renew the probationary contract of employees listed (on page 1 of the 2007-2008 Contract Recommendations) for one-year probationary contracts for the succeeding 2007-2008 school year, and further authorized the Board President to execute employment contracts to the employees accepting this offer, motion seconded by Ms. Cantu-Guerrero.

Motion carried 4-0.

Term Contract Employment

Mr. Barrera made a motion for the Board to employ employees listed (on pages 2 and 3 of the 2007-2008 Contract Recommendations) under one-year term contracts for the 2007-2008 school year, and further authorized the Board President to execute employment contracts to the employees accepting this offer, motion seconded by Mrs. Jordan.

Motion carried 4-0.

Two-Year, Multi-Year Contract Extensions

Mrs. Jordan made a motion for the Board to extend the multi-year term contracts of employees listed (on pages 4 and 5 of the 2007-2008 Contract Recommendations) for an additional year through the end of the 2008-2009 school year, and further authorized the Board President to execute employment contracts to the employees accepting this offer, motion seconded by Mr. Barrera.

Motion carried 4-0.

Multi-Year Non-Extensions, Nonrenewal

Ms. Cantu-Guerrero made a motion for the Board to authorize the Superintendent to provide written notice to employees on two-year Chapter 21 contracts whose contracts were not extended tonight (March 26, 2007 Board Meeting) that their current employment contracts will continue to be honored by the District, and that their contracts will be considered for contract renewal at this time next year, motion seconded by Mr. Barrera.

Motion carried 4-0.

Closing

21. Adjourn

Mrs. Jordan made a motion to adjourn the meeting, motion seconded by Mr. Barrera. Meeting adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

Board President

Board Secretary