

# Minutes of Board Meeting

## The Board of Trustees Lake Travis Independent School District

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A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake Travis Independent School District was held September 8, 2009, at the Educational Development Center, Live Oak Room, 607 Ranch Road 620 North, Austin, Texas 78734.

### **Call To Order**

President Susan Tolles called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

### **Quorum Determination**

Trustees Susan Tolles, Jason Buddin, Alan Williams, Mayo Davidson, Fred Goff, Lisa Johnson were present. Guy Clayton was not present

### **Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence**

Trustee Buddin led the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed.

### **Superintendent Updates**

***Lake Travis High School Outstanding Renovation Project Special Recognition Award-*** Dr. Kirk introduced Jim Ratcliff, Senior Director of Construction, Facilities, and Support Services, and Brad Pfluger of Pfluger Wiginton Hooker Architects. Mr. Pfluger presented an award from TASA/TASB Exhibit of School Architecture for the Outstanding Renovation project. The Exhibit of School Architecture is a collaborative project of TASA, TASB, and the Texas Society of Architects, and acknowledges excellence in the planning and design of Texas public education facilities. Out of more than ninety projects submitted this year, the Lake Travis High School project received one of the three Special Recognition awards. In addition to this award, the Lake Travis High School project also received category awards for the Process of Planning, Design, Educational Appropriateness, and Innovation. The award will be on display at the TASB fall Conference in Houston from October 2 – 4, 2009. Also in attendance was Cliff Trinkaus with Pfluger Wiginton Hooker Architects .

Trustee Clayton joined the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

***Academic Achievement*** – Myra Pettit, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instructional Services, discussed the academic achievements the District made during the 2008-09 school year.

***Texas Business and Education Coalition Honor Roll*** – Dr. Diane Frost provided an overview of the honor roll recognition that Lakeway Elementary and Lake Pointe Elementary schools received. Dr. Frost introduced Heidi Gudelman, Principal of Lake Pointe Elementary and Sam Hicks, Principal of Lakeway Elementary, who spoke about the recognitions and thanked their staff.

***Public Information Act Requests*** – Dr. Kirk introduced Susan Bohn, General Counsel, who provided an overview of the current status of the public information act requests received by the

District. Trustee Tolles asked the administration to provide a monthly update to the Board on public information act requests. A discussion ensued and Ms. Bohn will provide to the Board further information regarding Public Information Act requests by the District.

### **Audience Comments**

There were no requests to address the trustees

### **Discussion and/or Action**

#### **Finance and Support Services**

***November 3, 2009 Tax Ratification Election Polling Locations*** - Mr. Johnny Hill, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Financial Services, provided information on the November 3, 2009 polling locations for the Tax Ratification Election. The Information included the Election Day, early voting, and mobile early voting locations as established by the county.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Buddin, seconded by Trustee Davidson, to approve the Lake Travis ISD Election Day voting locations for LTISD voters and all Travis County early voting and mobile early voting locations as established in lists presented to the Board. All Trustees voted in favor (7-0).

#### **Administration and Accountability**

***Enrollment Update*** – Dr. Diane Frost provided an update to the student enrollment numbers. Since the first day of school the district has enrolled an additional 111 students for a total of 408 new students. The increase in students for the 2009-2010 school year for the district are as follows: 187 elementary students, 57 middle school students, and 164 high school students. These additions bring the district student population to 6,536 students.

#### **Curriculum and Instructional Services**

***District Improvement Plan***- Myra Pettit, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instructional Services, asked the Board for approval of the District Improvement Plan that was reviewed during the Board Workshop held earlier in the day.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Davidson, seconded by Trustee Williams, to approve the District Improvement Plan as presented. All Trustees voted in favor (7-0).

#### **Consent Agenda**

Trustee Tolles announced that the policy revisions have been pulled from the consent agenda and will be presented to the Board at a future meeting.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Davidson, seconded by Trustee Williams, to approve item D2 (Minutes – August 27, 2009 Board Meeting) on the consent agenda. All Trustees voted in favor (7-0).

President Tolles announced the following future meetings of the LTISD Board of Trustees:

- September 17, 2009, 6:00 p.m., Board/Superintendent Conference, EDC
- October 8, 2009, 6:00 p.m., Board Workshop, EDC
- October 22, 2009, 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting, EDC

**Closed Session**

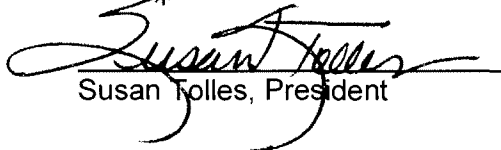
Trustees convened into closed session at 7:38 p.m., as permitted by the Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et. seq.

- A. Section 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney**
1. The Board will discuss and receive legal advice from its attorney on matters which should be confidential under Texas Government Code Section 551.071(2).
  2. The Board will discuss and receive legal advice from its attorney regarding pending litigation under Texas Government Code Section 551.071(1).
    - a. Meadows v. Texas Education Agency; Commissioner of Education Robert Scott; and Lake Travis Independent School District, Docket No. D-1-GN-09-001611, In the 200<sup>th</sup> District Court of Travis Count, Texas
- B. Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters**
1. The Board will discuss the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of public employees or officials. (This may involve consultation with attorney as permitted under Section 551.071.)
- C. Section 551.076 – Deliberations Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits**
1. The Board will discuss the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices (This may involve consultation with attorney as permitted under Section 551.071.)

Closed session adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

**Adjournment**

There being no further action, the September 8, 2009, Board of Trustees' meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

  
Susan Tolles, President

  
Alan Williams, Secretary