

# 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 October 23, 2008, at the Educational Development Center, Live Oak Room, 607 Ranch Road 620 North, Austin, Texas 78734.

### Call To Order

President Jim Cummings called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

### Quorum Determination

Trustees Jim Cummings, Susan Tolles, Jason Buddin, Fred Goff, Kim Nixon, Mayo Davidson, and Alan Williams were present.

### Closed Session

Trustees convened into closed session at 6:03 p.m., as permitted under Government Code Section 551.001 et. seq.

#### **A. 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.)
  - a. Superintendent Contract Revision

#### **B. 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, Cause No. D-1-GN-08-003514, Meadows v. Lake Travis Independent School District.

#### **C. Section 551.072 – Deliberation regarding Real Property**

1. The Board will discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property. (This may involve consultation with attorney as permitted under Section 551.071.)

Closed session adjourned at 7:00 p.m. and the open session resumed at 7:05 p.m.

### Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Cummings. A moment of silence was observed.

### Superintendent's Update

The following Lake Travis High School National Merit Scholars were recognized by Kim Brents, LTHS Principal.

Taylor Adamson - *National Merit Semi-Finalist National Hispanic Scholar*  
Anna Bar - *National Merit Semi-Finalist*

Maria Petty - *National Merit Semi-Finalist National Hispanic Scholar*  
 Brian Wilson - *National Merit Semi-Finalist*  
 Sarah Broeker - *National Merit Commended Student*  
 Katherine Durrett - *National Merit Commended Student*  
 Ella Laird - *National Merit Commended Student*  
 Abbey Lunney - *National Merit Commended Student*  
 James McDonald - *National Merit Commended Student*  
 Kwadwo Owusu - *National Merit Commended Student & National Achievement Semi-Finalist*  
 Catherine Parke - *National Merit Commended Student*  
 Rebekah Reistad - *National Merit Commended Student*  
 Robert D Richardson - *National Merit Commended Student*  
 Kyle Bush - *National Hispanic Scholar*  
 Erin Dobbs - *National Hispanic Scholar*  
 Michael Streuling - *National Hispanic Honorable Mention*

### **Audience Comments**

There were no requests to address Trustees.

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

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

***Bond Program Update*** – Jim Ratcliff, Senior Director of Facilities, Construction and Support Services, provided an update on the bond program construction.

***Contract with Water District No. 17 and easements related thereto for the construction of wastewater facilities and the provision of wastewater services for Lake Travis Elementary School*** – Jim Ratcliff provided an update on the bid process for the construction of wastewater connection lines and a lift station to connect the Lake Travis Elementary School and EDC site to the WCID 17 wastewater system. Bids were received by Travis County WCID No. 17 on October 2, 2008, and the low bids for the construction portion of this project ranged from \$417,523 to \$443,720. The decision was made to go with the bid for \$417,523. In addition, the contract with WCID 17 will also include \$219,000 for 30 Lakeway MUD Living Unit Equivalent's (LUE's ) and \$118,110 for LTISD's prorated cost to tie in to the existing wastewater transmission system, and a \$45,000 construction contingency allowance.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Buddin, seconded by Trustee Nixon, to authorize the Administration to negotiate and execute a contract with Travis County Water Control and Improvement District No. 17 and easements related thereto for the construction of wastewater facilities and the provision of wastewater services for the Lake Travis Elementary School / EDC site for a contract price not to exceed \$826,000. All Trustees present voted in favor (7-0).

### **Consent Agenda**

1. School Health Advisory Committee Recommendation- Human Sexuality Curriculum
2. Investment Policy CDA – Legal and Local
3. Investment Brokers/Dealers
4. 2008 Tax Levy
5. Lake Travis High School Furniture Purchases for 2008-09 School Year
6. Technology Purchase

7. August and September 2008 Financials – Statement of Revenues & Expenditures, Balance Sheet, Summary of Tax Collections and Quarterly Investment Report (August 31, 2008)
8. Minutes - September 18, 2008 Board Meeting, October 2, 2008, Board Workshop

A MOTION was made by Trustee Davidson, seconded by Trustee Williams, to approve the consent agenda. All Trustees present voted in favor (7-0).

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

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

- October 30, 2008, 6:00 p.m., Special Called Meeting, EDC
- November 6, 2008, 6:00 p.m., Board Workshop, EDC
- November 20, 2008, 7:00 p.m., Board Meeting, EDC
- December 11, 2008, 7:00 p.m., Regular Board Meeting, EDC
- December 17, 2008, 6:00 p.m., Board/Superintendent Conference, EDC

Open Session adjourned at 7:30 p.m. and closed session resumed at 7:30 p.m. Closed Session adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

#### **Adjournment**

There being no further action, the October 23, 2008, Board of Trustees' meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.



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Jim Cummings, President



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Jason Buddin, Secretary