

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Lake Travis Independent School District

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake Travis Independent School District was held October 25, 2007, at the Educational Development Center, Live Oak Room, 607 Ranch Road 620 North, Austin, Texas 78734.

The items below do not necessarily reflect the order in which they were addressed at the meeting.

Call To Order

President Jim Cummings called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Quorum Determination

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

Closed Session

Trustees convened into closed session at 6:31 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 consult with legal counsel regarding the following: pending litigation, Civil Acton No. A-06-CA-046-55(Consolidated with A-07-CA-626-SS) In the United States District Court, Western Division: Lake Travis ISD vs. M.L. b/n/f D.L. and M.L.

2. Consultation with District's legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 to receive legal advice regarding property tax status of detachment and annexation territory.

B. 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.)

- a. West Cypress Hills Transaction
- b. Hert Tract
- c. Future School Sites

Closed Session adjourned at 7:00 p.m. and the Open Session resumed at 7:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Ben Rodgers, President of the Bee Cave Elementary Student Council led the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed.

Superintendent's Report

Hurricane Dean - Special Recognition of Transportation Department – Dr. Kirk recognized Rick Walterscheid, Director of Transportation and Transportation Department employees; Roger Harris, Pat Hoekstra, Kathy Miller and Jimmy Apostolico for their efforts in the anticipation of Hurricane Dean this summer. Dr. Kirk read a proclamation from Mayor Pat M. Ahumada of

Brownsville. The District also received letters from Governor Rick Perry, Chief Deputy Commissioner Robert Scott of the TEA, and Judge J.D. Salinas III of Hidalgo County, expressing their gratitude for our districts efforts.

Student Group Recognition – The following students were recognized for their participation in the Bee Cave Elementary School Student Council: Austin Atchley, Emily Bartlett, Jon Michael Brooks, Madison Coffelt, Patsy Ann Dawson, Ethan Kreiger, Veronica McGrail, David Muse, Ben Rodgers, Beth Simmons, Jay Spiers, Paige Williams. Also present were Principal Janie Braxdale and Student Council sponsors: Kelly Bender, Juanita Worthy, and Kristi Nordstrom

Public Hearing for Property Taxation of Goods in Transit began at 7:19 p.m.

Public Hearing: Property Taxation of Goods in Transit

Bob Hart, Assistant Superintendent of Support Services and Chief Financial Officer provided an overview of HB 621 of the 80th State Legislative Session. The Bill provides the option for local governments to exempt certain tangible personal property (goods in transit) from property tax. Community members attending the hearing were given an opportunity to make comments regarding the taxation of goods in transit. There were no public comments.

The Public Hearing for Property Taxation in Goods of Transit adjourned at 7:24 p.m. and regular session resumed at 7:24 p.m.

Discussion and/or Action

Governance and Legal Services

Donation of West Cypress Hills real property, approve deed, authorize execution of deed, and authorize administration to take all necessary and advisable action in connection with same

Although this item was included on the agenda, the Board did not discuss this item.

Reverter and Option Agreement for West Cypress Hills real property and authorize administration to take all necessary and advisable action in connection with same, including execution of agreement

Although this item was included on the agenda, the Board did not discuss this item.

Finance and Support Services

Taxation of Tangible Personal Property in Transit (Goods In Transit) – Continuing the discussion from the Public Hearing Mr. Hart recommended that the Board approve the resolution that would allow for the taxation of tangible personal property in transit.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Nixon, seconded by Trustee Goff, to approve resolution for the taxation of tangible personal property in transit. All Trustees voted in favor (7-0).

2007-08 Budget Amendments- Mr. Hart presented proposed amendments and justifications to those amendments for the 2007-08 budget. The amendments reflect economic activities and adjustments related to the finances of the school district.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Tolles seconded by Trustee Nixon, to approve 2007-08 Budget Amendments as presented. All Trustees voted in favor (7-0).

2004 and 2006 Bond Program Budget Amendments – Mr. Hart presented proposed amendments and justifications of those amendments for the 2004 and 2006 bond program budgets. The amendments reflect economic activity as it relates to both bond programs.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Davidson seconded by Trustee Goff, to approve the 2004 Bond Program Budget Amendments as presented. All Trustees voted in favor (7-0).

A MOTION was made by Trustee Davidson seconded by Trustee Williams, to approve the 2006 Bond Program Budget Amendments. All Trustees voted in favor (7-0).

Consent Agenda

1. First Reading: Revisions, Deletions, and/or Additions to Local Policies:
 - a. CDA (LEGAL AND LOCAL) Investment Policies
 - b. DEC (LOCAL) Compensation and Benefits Leaves of Absences
2. First Reading: Policy Update 81, Affecting Local Policies:
 - a. Local BDAE (Officers and Officials: Duties and Requirements of Depository)
 - b. Local DC (Employment Practices)
 - c. Local DGBA (Personnel-Management Relations: Employee Complaints/Grievances)
 - d. Local FD (Admissions)
 - e. Local FEA (Attendance: Compulsory Attendance)
 - f. Local FEC (Attendance: Attendance for Credit)
 - g. Local FFH (Student Welfare: Freedom from Harassment)
 - h. Local GKC (Community Relations: Visitors to the Schools)
 - i. Local GKG (Community Relations: School Volunteer Program) – Policy Deletion
3. Second Reading: Revisions, Deletions, and/or Additions to Local Policies:
 - a. FFC (LOCAL) Student Welfare Student Support Services
4. District Improvement Plan
5. Textbook Selection Committee
6. 2007 Tax Levy
7. Resolution to Sanction 4-H as an Extracurricular Activity
8. Investment Firms & Trainers
9. Texas CLASS Investment Pool (MBIA)
10. 2006 Bond Program – Purchase of Buses
11. August and September 2007 Financials - Statement of Revenues & Expenditures, Balance Sheet, Summary of Tax Collections and Quarterly Investment Report (August 31, 2007)
12. Minutes - September 20, 2007 Board Meeting, October 4, 2007 Board Workshop

The Administration asked that item no. 2h be removed for further discussion. Trustee Davidson asked that item number 7 be removed for further discussion.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Buddin, seconded by Trustee Goff to approve the consent agenda items with the exception of consent agenda item no. 2h and 7. All Trustees voted in favor (7-0).

Dr. Diane Frost, Deputy Superintendent, requested to amend policy GKC (Local) to include the words "Superintendent or designee" in the policy.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Davidson, seconded by Trustee Goff to approve item 2h on the consent agenda as amended by the administration. All Trustees voted in favor (7-0).

After clarification of consent agenda item 7 - Resolution to Sanction 4-H as an Extracurricular Activity, A MOTION was made by Trustee Davidson, seconded by Trustee Nixon to approve consent agenda item 7 as presented. All Trustees voted in favor (7-0).

Trustees reconvened into Closed Session at 8:00 p.m.

Closed Session adjourned at 8:20 p.m. and regular session resumed at 8:21 p.m. The below action was taken based on discussion occurring in closed session.

Governance and Legal Services

Purchase of Hert Property and authorize administration to take all necessary and advisable action in connection with same, including execution of purchase and sale agreement for purchase of property, execution of any other documents, and finalization of transaction.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Goff to authorize the administration to execute the purchase and sale agreement for purchase of the Hert tract and to take all necessary and advisable action in connection therewith subject to any final action on purchase of the property being approved by the Board.


Upcoming Meetings

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


- November 15, 2007, 7:00 p.m., Board Meeting, EDC
- December 5, 2007, 6:00 p.m., Board/Superintendent Summative Conference, EDC
- December 13, 2007, 7:00 p.m., Board Meeting, EDC
- January 10, 2007, 6:00 p.m., Board Workshop, EDC

Adjournment

There being no further action, the October 25, 2007, Board of Trustees' meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.



Jim Cummings, President



Kim Nixon, Secretary