

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

COMFORT INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2008 – 6:00 P.M. COMFORT ISD ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 327 HIGH STREET - COMFORT, TEXAS

The meeting will be held in compliance with Gov. Code, §551.the meeting is also being conducted in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act [42 U.S.C. 12101 (1991)]. The facility where the meeting is to be held is wheelchair-accessible, and handicapped parking is available. Handicapped services are available upon request if received at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. To make arrangements for handicapped services, please call (830) 995-3664.

The subjects to be discussed are listed on the agenda. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on the meeting notice. If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item listed on the Agenda should be held in closed meeting, the Board would convene in such closed meeting in accordance with Texas Government Code, § 551.071 - 551.084 to consult with the Board's attorney, discuss purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, discuss negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations, discuss personnel or to hear complaints against personnel, consider the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of security, personnel or devices, and/or consider discipline of a public school child or complaint or charge against personnel. No action will be taken during a Closed Session. At any time, the Board may go into closed meeting to receive legal counsel or advice, which the school district's legal counsel determines should be confidential in accordance with counsel's duty to the district pursuant to the code of professional responsibility of the State Bar of Texas.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Barb Lindner, Board President called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Trustees present: Marshall Jennings, Ray Avery, Eric Lantz, Barb Lindner, Benji Alldredge, Jane Neuenschwander and Agustin Avalos.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Public Comments

At this time, the Board will listen to comments from the public or staff members. In order to comment, please complete a public comment card and present it to the Board president prior to the beginning of the meeting. (All public comments will be limited to three minutes per issue or agenda item.)

- 1. Agenda items*
- 2. Non-agenda items*

III. WRITTEN REPORTS INCLUDED IN BOARD PACKET

A. Superintendent's Report

- 1) TASB Convention*

B. Principal's Report

- 1) Elementary School Report*
- 2) Middle School Report*
- 3) High School Report*

4) Food Service Report

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

All items in the consent agenda should be approved as presented unless an item is removed. All items are as recommended by the Superintendent.

- A. Minutes of the August 13, 2008 Regular Meeting and August 27, 2008 Special Meeting.**
- B. Local Maintenance and Operations, Interest and Sinking, Workers' Compensation, Student Activity, and Tax Collection Reports,**
- C. Monthly Investment Report**
- D. Building Project Financial Update**
- E. Budget Amendments**

Mr. Avery made a motion that the Board approve the consent agenda as presented. Mrs. Neuenschwander seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

V. NON ACTION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION

VI. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

(According to Government Code §551.071-§551-082, the Board of Trustees may convene in a closed session §551.071, Private consultation with the Board's attorney; §551.072, Discussion purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property; §551.073, Discussing negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations; §551.074, Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel; §551.076, Considering the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of security, personnel or devices; and §551.082, Considering discipline of a public school child or complaint or charge against personnel.) No action will be taken during a Closed Session.

- A. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda**

- B. Consider/Approve Contract with Kendall County Elections Administrator for the November 2008 Board of Trustee Elections**
***Background:** Kendall County hired an Elections Administrator this spring. The attached contract and resolution have been reviewed by the district's attorney.
Recommendation: It is the superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve the Kendall County Elections Administrator for the November 2008 Board of Trustee Elections.*

Dr. Alldredge made the motion that the Board approve the Kendall County Elections Administrator for the November 2008 Board of Trustee Elections. Mr. Avalos seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

C. Consider/Approve TASB Delegate/Representative

Background: *The Board needs to select a delegate/representative for the upcoming TASB/TASA Convention in September.*

Recommendation: *It is the superintendent's recommendation that the Board elect a delegate/representative for the TASB/TASA Convention.*

Mrs. Lindner made a motion that the Board appoint Mr. Avery as CISD's representative for the upcoming TASB/TASA Convention in September. Mr. Avalos seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0. Mr. Lantz abstained.

D. Consider/Approve a Resolution for Adult Education Classes

Background: *The Board should consider approving a state and federal resolution supporting the District's participation in the Adult Basic Education Cooperative for the 2008-2009 academic year from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2008. The Adult Basic Education Cooperative program offers English as a Second Language (ESL) and GED preparation classes.*

Recommendation: *It is the superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve the resolution as presented.*

Mr. Avery made the motion that the Board approve the resolution as presented. Mrs. Neuenschwander seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

E. Transfer Students

Background: *Each school year, the school board is required to review the student transfer requests for the following school year. The enclosed list contains the transfer students for the upcoming school year.*

Recommendation: *It is the recommendation of the superintendent that the Board approve the 2008-2009 student transfer list.*

Mrs. Neuenschwander made the motion that the Board approve the 2008-2009 student transfer list. Dr. Alldredge seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

F. Consider/Approve a Resolution for Parenting Classes

Background: *The Board should consider approving a resolution supporting the District's participation in the Parenting Classes for the 2008-2009 academic year from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2008. The Parenting program teaches parents how to assist their children to be better learners.*

Recommendation: *It is the superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve the resolution as presented.*

Mrs. Neuenschwander made a motion that the Board approve the resolution as presented. Mr. Avalos seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

G. Consider / Approve a Resolution for the CATS Den to receive Wireless Internet Access from the Middle School

Background: *In the spring of 2006, the district installed six PC units and wireless internet service to the CAYC CAT's Den. The Board did not approve the request. Currently, the wireless internet has been turned off and a request from the district asking the CAYC to turn off the computers has been made.*

Recommendation: *It is the superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve the resolution as presented.*

Dr. Alldredge made the motion that the Board leave the wireless internet cut off and to leave the computers in place at the CAYC CAT'S Den but not be used until the board has a resolution in place within the next 30 days. Mr. Lantz seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

H. Consideration and Possible Action to Direct the Superintendent to Seek Proposals from Third Parties for the Lease of School District Facilities for an After-School Care Program for School District Students to be Run by the Third Party/Proposer.

Background: *The district needs to develop an RFP for an after school program. The district currently has two organizations interested in the program. Once the RFP is developed, the district will request bids in the newspaper for two weeks. The Board may choose an organization on October 20, 2008 to run the after school program.*

Recommendation: *It is the superintendent's recommendation that the Board direct the Superintendent to seek proposals from third parties for the lease of school district facilities for an after-school care program for school district students to be run by the third party/proposer.*

Mr. Avery made a motion that the Board direct the Superintendent to seek proposals from third parties for the lease of school district facilities for an after-school care program for school district students to be run by the third party/proposer. Mrs. Neuenschwander seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

I. Employment

Mr. Avalos made the motion that the board accept the employment of Jane brown, cms english teacher. Mrs. Neuenschwander seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

VII. ADJOURN

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Barb Lindner, President

Marshall Jennings, Secretary