

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

COMFORT INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2007 – 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

President Mrs. Lindner called the meeting to order at 6:06 PM.

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

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Public Comments

Barry Smith – Band Booster's Concession Stand at Altgelt Field

Mr. Smith voiced his concerns about the damage the recent flood had caused the concession stand at the Altgelt Field. Mr. Smith stated some of the refrigerators were not cooling properly. One was not working at all. He said the Band Booster's had spent all of their resources sending the band to Florida so they could not financially replenish the concession stand with new equipment. Mr. Smith wanted to know if the Board could help or if the school would reconsider the location of the Middle School Football Games.

III. WRITTEN REPORTS INCLUDED IN BOARD PACKET

A. Superintendent's Report

- 1) Building Progress*
- 2) Upcoming Events*
- 3) TASB Convention*

B. Principal's Report

- 1) *Elementary School Report*
- 2) *Middle School Report*
- 3) *High School 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, 2007 Regular Meeting and August 27, 2007 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. Avalos made the motion to accept the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Avery seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

V. NON-ACTION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION

Academic Excellence Indicators System (AEIS) and Average Yearly Progress (AYP) Reports:

***Background:** The AEIS is a comprehensive reporting system defined in state statute. Since 1990-1991, campus and district AEIS reports have been generated and published annually for all campuses and districts in the state. Local districts share responsibility for disseminating the AEIS reports, including holding hearings for public discussion of the AEIS reports content. All indicators used for accountability are reported in the AEIS, with additional disaggregations depicting how each grade level and different populations performed. Indicators that will potentially be used in future accountability ratings are also published in the AEIS when possible. The reports also show participation rates on the state-administered tests. Additionally, the AEIS shows demographic information about students and staff, program information, and financial information, all of which provide context for interpreting accountability results.*

AYP is a federal accountability program mandated under the NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND (NCLB) act.

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. Faltin Field

Background: Faltin field was hit hard from the floods several weeks ago. The district needs to move forward to provide the Comfort Deer an adequate facility to play softball for the 2007-2008 season. The insurance company will not cover the damages from the flooding. The district will have to use local dollars to repair the facilities.

Recommendation: The superintendent is requesting guidance and direction to address the softball facilities.

The Board decided to fix the Faltin Field for now and readdress the issue later. The Board would like for Mr. Chapman to explore two relocation sites for future discussion:

1. See if the Gaddis Methodist Church would like to sell the property in the back of their building. If so, how much would they be asking?
2. Find out how much the property across the street from the boys baseball field is.

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 the motion to elect Ray Avery as representative for the TASB/TASA Convention. Mr. Jennings seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

D. Resolution Regarding Mandatory Joint Elections

Background: Section 11.0571 requires each school district to call joint elections; either with a municipality locate wholly or partially within the school district's boundaries on the uniform election date used by the municipality for its general elections or with the county (ies) in which the school district is located on the November uniform election date. The Board has several options available to comply with the new election laws.

Recommendation: It is the superintendent's recommendation that the Board consider and take action on the resolution changing trustee terms, including any one-time adjustments to current trustee terms and transition to four-year terms

and a biennial election cycle, in order to comply with mandatory requirements for joint biannual elections with Kendall and Kerr Counties in even-numbered years.

Mr. Jennings made the motion to take action on the resolution changing trustee terms, including any one-time adjustments to current trustee terms and transition to four-year terms and a biannual election cycle, in order to comply with mandatory requirements for joint biannual elections with Kendall and Kerr Counties in even-numbered years. Mrs. Neuenschwander seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

E. Consider/Approve Access Area for the Ambulance at the Football Field

Background: PBK (Architecture Engineer) requested pricing from Satterfield and Pontikes (Construction). The itemized pricing provides pricing for labor/material for the addition of asphalt in front of the existing field house and new field house along with the drive leading towards the football field at the high school. The quote for this project is \$36,000.00.

On August 27th, the Board approved this project. After looking at the grade on the ambulance access ramp, the district decided to make a new ambulance access at the football stadium. A new gate was placed at the north end of the stadium adjacent to the Bobcat Grill. Currently, PBK is looking into several different options for pedestrian access on the south side of the stadium.

Recommendations: The superintendent recommends the Board reevaluate the project and explore several different options before making a final decision.

The Board decided to leave the ambulance access ramp at the north end of the stadium, adjacent to the Bobcat Grill. The Board will readdress the pedestrian access on the south side of the stadium at a later date.

VII. ADJOURN

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Barb Lindner, President

Marshall Jennings, Secretary