

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

COMFORT INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2011 – 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- 6400.

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

Eric Lantz, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m.

Trustees present: Ray Avery, Eric Lantz, Rusty Saur (Absent), Nora Lozano (Absent), Brad Spenrath, and Tillie Moldenhauer.

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. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

A. Employee Recognition

Employee Excellence Award:

High School:

Tracy White (Basketball coach / English)

Middle School: *Melissa Preuss (Honors Math / Theatre Arts)*
Elementary School: *Alma Garcia (5th grade Teacher)*
Professional of the Month: *Mark Davis (Technology)*
Employee of the Month: *Katie Spinks*

IV. WRITTEN REPORTS INCLUDED IN BOARD PACKET

A. Superintendent's Report

B. Principal's Report

- 1) *Elementary School Report*
- 2) *Middle School Report*
- 3) *High School Report*
- 4) *Food Service Report*

V. 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.

1. **Minutes of the October 10, 2011 Regular Meeting**
2. **Local Maintenance and Operations, Interest and Sinking, Workers' Compensation, Student Activity, and Tax Collection Reports,**
3. **Monthly Investment Report**

Mr. Avery made a motion that the Board approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented. Mr. Spenrath seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

VI. NON-ACTION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION

A. First Reading of Update 91

VII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

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A. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

B. Consider / Approve SHAC By-Laws

Background: *In March 2011, the SHAC committee began developing by-laws for the committee. The by-laws were reviewed by the superintendent.*

Recommendation: *It is the recommendation of the superintendent that the Board approve the SHAC By-Laws as presented.*

Mrs. Moldenhauer made a motion that the Board approve the SHAC By-Laws as presented. Mr. Spenrath seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

C. Consider / Approve Facility Upgrades

Background: *The district has provided the Board with ball park quotes for several projects. It is important for the Board to designate fund balance funds.*

Recommendations: *It is the recommendation of the superintendent that the Board designate fund balance funds.*

Mr. Lantz made a motion that the Board ask Mr. Chapman to get three bids on turfing the high school football field. Mr. Avery seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-1. Mr. Spenrath was opposed.

D. Consider / Approve Voting for Candidate(s) to the Kendall Appraisal District Board of Directors

Background: *At the October Board meeting, Gerri Selensky was nominated for the Kendall Appraisal District Board of Directors. Comfort ISD has 611 votes to cast toward seven candidates.*

Recommendation: *It is the recommendation of the superintendent that the Board cast all 611 votes to Gerri Selensky.*

Mr. Avery made a motion that the Board cast all 611 votes associated with CISD to Gerri Selensky. Mr. Spenrath seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

E. Consider / Approve Voting for Candidate(s) to the Kerr Appraisal District Board of Directors

Background: *At the October Board meeting, Charles Lewis was nominated for the Kendall Appraisal District Board of Directors. Comfort ISD has 135 votes to cast toward seven candidates.*

Recommendation: *It is the recommendation of the superintendent that the Board cast all 135 votes to Charles Lewis.*

Mr. Spenrath made a motion that the Board cast all 135 votes to Charles Lewis. Mrs. Moldenhauer seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

F. Discussion of the District 3 Board of Trustees Vacancy

Background: *The Board has until March 10, 2012 (180 days from accepting the resignation) to appoint a registered voter from District 3 to the Board. If a community member is appointed, the new trustee must run for reelection at the November 2012 elections. The Trustee will have to run again at the November 2014 elections at which time the Trustee's term will be back in a normal sequence.*

Recommendation: *It is the superintendent's recommendation that the Board provide guidance to the superintendent to fill the District 3 vacancy.*

No action was taken at this time.

G. Consider / Approve EIA (Local) Policy

Background: *The STAAR policy has been developed, reviewed and approved by several committees before coming to the Board. The campus site base decision making committee made recommendations to the DWC. The DWC made recommendations to the Board. The TASB attorney's developed the policy based on the district recommendations for the Board to consider / approve.*

Recommendation: *It is the superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve EIA (Local) policy as presented.*

Mr. Spenrath made a motion that the Board approve EIA (Local) policy as presented. Mrs. Moldenhauer seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

H. Resignation

Dylan Ferrero Retiring in December (CES Special Education Teacher)

Mrs. Moldenhauer made a motion that the Board accept the resignation of Dylan Ferrero. Mr. Spenrath seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

VIII. ADJOURN

There being no further business this meeting was adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Eric Lantz, President

Noel Avery, Secretary