

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

COMFORT INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2009 – 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

Barb Lindner, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.
Trustees present: Ray Avery, Eric Lantz (6:10 pm), Barb Lindner, Rusty Saur, Nora Lozano, 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. Student Recognition

Kari Beth Langbein: Swine Production - Entrepreneurship Proficiency Award Program at National Convention Indianapolis, IN

B. Employee Recognition

Employee Excellence Award:

High School: Nicole Parks (TAKS Math / Head Volleyball Coach)

Middle School: Tony Koch (Math)

Elementary School: Letitia Vaughan (First Grade)

Professional of the Month: Bob Evans (Maintenance Supervisor)

Employee of the Month: Leslie Behrendt (Maintenance)

IV. WRITTEN REPORTS INCLUDED IN BOARD PACKET

A. Superintendent's Report

- 1) *Building Progress*
- 2) *Personnel*
- 3) *November District Calendar*

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 19, 2009 Regular Meeting**
2. **Local Maintenance and Operations, Interest and Sinking, Workers' Compensation, Student Activity, and Tax Collection Reports,**
3. **Monthly Investment Report**
4. **Building Project Financial Update**

Mr. Avery made a motion that the Board approve the consent agenda with the correction of adding Nora Lozano to the Trustees Present section in the October 19, 2009 Regular Minutes. Mrs. Lozano seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

VI. NON-ACTION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION

A. First Reading of Policy Update 86

Background: *Update 86 is drawn almost exclusively from the actions of the 80th Legislature, which passed approximately 200 bills with school-related provisions. While not all of the new laws are cited in legal policies or generate changes to local policies, the number of bills that impact the manual make this a lengthy update. Modifications to district practices appear in many sections of the manual and the most significant policy changes are summarized here.*

VII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

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A. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

B. Consider / Approve the 2009-2010 Technology Plan

***Background:** The Technology Plan Committee developed a technology plan to guide the district to provide technology equipment, software and training to meet the needs of our students and employees. The 2009-2010 is a one year plan and will be redeveloped annually.*

***Recommendation:** It is the superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve the 2009-2010 Technology Plans as presented.*

Mr. Avery made a motion that the Board approve the 2009-2010 Technology Plan as presented. Mr. Saur seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

C. Kendall Appraisal District Nominate Appraisal District Board of Directors for the 2010 Term

***Background:** Each taxing unit that is entitled to vote as indicated on the 2010-2011 Board of Directors Voting Entitlement may nominate by resolution adopted by its governing body one candidate for each position to be filled on the Board of Directors. The presiding officer of the governing body must submit the names of the units by December 15, 2009. Mr. Chapman was given authorization at the October board meeting to nominate Gerri Selensky.*

***Recommendation:** It is the recommendation of the superintendent that the Board cast all votes for Gerri Selensky for the Kendall Appraisal Board of Directors for 2010-2011.*

Mr. Saur made a motion that the Board cast all votes for Gerri Selensky for the Kendall Appraisal Board of Directors for 2010-2011. Mrs. Moldenhauer seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

VIII. ADJOURN

There being no further business this meeting is adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Barb Lindner, President

Noel R. Avery, Secretary