

# **REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**COMFORT INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS  
MONDAY, MARCH 16, 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 830-995-6400.*

*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 6:05 p.m.*

*Trustees present: Ray Avery, Eric Lantz(6:20), Barb Lindner, Rusty Saur, Brad Spenrath, Tillie Moldenhauer (6:14) and Marshall Jennings.*

## **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**

*Student Recognition: Elementary UIL*

*Employee(s) of the Month: Glenn Klein*

*Professional(s) of the Month: Lydia Storey*

*Teacher(s) of the Month: CES Cathy Behrens*

*CMS Rob Bell*

*CHS Dana McGill*

**IV. WRITTEN REPORTS INCLUDED IN BOARD PACKET**

**A. Superintendent's Report**

- 1) *Personnel*
- 2) *March 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 February 09, 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. Saur made the motion that the Board approve the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Jennings seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0. Mr. Lantz and Mrs. Moldenhauer were absent at the time of the vote.*

**VI. NON-ACTION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION**

**A. Delinquent Tax Report**

*Mr. John Banks, tax attorney with Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, will review the status of accounts paid, accounts currently subject to payment agreements, non-litigation accounts, tax sale properties, and corresponding charts for the district's delinquent tax accounts.*

**VII. 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. Bank Depository Bid**

**Background:** *The current two-year Bank Depository contract with Wells Fargo Bank will expire on August 31, 2009. According to TEA and Texas Education Code guidelines, the board of Trustees may extend the current contract with Wells Fargo for another two year term or may elect to go through the bid process to receive new proposals.*

*If you wish to continue with Wells Fargo, the attached Board Resolution should be approved and then should be forwarded to Wells Fargo for their acceptance.*

*If you wish to go out for bids for new proposals, a new contract would have to be approved at the May Board meeting for submission to TEA by the middle of June.*

*The District has had a good relationship with Wells Fargo thus far and extending their contract would save the District time and expense.*

**Recommendation:** *It is the recommendation of the superintendent that the Board keep Wells Fargo as the bank depository for CISD for the next two years.*

*Mr. Avery made the motion that the Board extend the contract with Wells Fargo for the next two years. Mr. Saur seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-1. Mrs. Moldenhauer was opposed.*

**C. Kendall Appraisal District Budget Amendments**

**Background:** *The Kendall Appraisal District Board of Directors proposed a budget amendment to the 2007-2008 budget that would add funds to an Operating Reserve. In order to retain any surplus funds, the Board of Directors is asking that the Appraisal District again be permitted to retain the unspent funds from the 2007-2008 budget.*

**Recommendation:** *It is the recommendation of the superintendent that the Board approve the Kendall Appraisal District Budget Amendment as presented.*

*Mr. Jennings made the motion that the Board approve the Kendall Appraisal District Budget Amendment as presented. Mrs. Moldenhauer seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.*

**D. Consider/Approve Resolution Supporting Membership in the Adult Basic Education Consortium**

**Background:** *The Adult Basic Education (ABE) Cooperative program offers English as a Second Language (ESL) and GED Preparation classes. Seguin ISD belongs to an area cooperative comprised of school districts in Comal, Guadalupe, and Kendall counties. Seguin ISD is the fiscal agent for the Tri-County Cooperative.*

**Recommendation:** *It is the superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve a state resolution and a federal resolution supporting the District's*

participation in the Adult Basic Education Cooperative for the 2009-2010 academic year, from July1, 2009, through June 30, 2010.

Mr. Saur made the motion that the Board approve a state resolution and federal resolution supporting the District's participation in the Adult Basic Education Cooperative for the 2009-2010 academic year, from July1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. Mr. Avery seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

**E. Develop a Master Plan Committee for the Dixon Property:**

**Background:** The Board of Trustees will select community members to serve on the Master Plan Committee for the Dixon Property.

**Recommendation:** It is the recommendation of the superintendent that the Board nominates and approves a Master Plan Committee for the Dixon Property.

Mrs. Lindner asked the Board to nominate community members to serve on the Master Plan Committee for the Dixon Property. The nominations were as follows:

Mr. Lantz	nominated	Dr. Alldredge
Mr. Jennings	nominated	Bob Hall
Mrs. Moldenhauer	nominated	James Poerner
Mr. Saur	nominated	Rod Eckert
Brad Spenrath	nominated	Warren Reeh
Mr. Avery	Did not nominate for this committee	
Barb Lindner	nominated	George Pace

Mr. Jennings made the motion that the Board accept the nominations as presented. Mr. Spenrath seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

**F. Consider/Approve Projects Using 2006 Bond Excess Interest Fund**

**Background:** The administrative team and the District-wide Educational Improvement Council (DWC) have reviewed and approved the list of projects presented.

**Recommendation:** It is the recommendation of the superintendent that the Board approve the list of projects using 2006 Excess Bond Interest Funds as presented

Mr. Lantz made the motion that the Board approve the list as presented, excluding the scoreboard. Mr. Lantz asked the Board to wait for prices for the tennis parking lot & Ag flooring (Concrete Vs Asphalt) before approving them. Mr. Jennings seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

**G. Hire of an Athletic Director / Head Football Coach**

**Background:** The district received 58 complete Athletic Director / Head Football Coach applications. The interview committee interviewed 8 candidates and recommended three to the superintendent.

**Recommendation:** *The superintendent will make a recommendation of one individual to the Board as the Comfort ISD Athletic Director / Head Football Coach. It is the superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve the final candidate as the Comfort ISD Athletic Director/Head Football Coach as presented.*

*Trustees convened into closed session at 7:08 PM, according to Government Code §551.074 to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of an employee. No action will be taken during the Closed Session.*

*The meeting was reconvened into open session at 7:31 PM.*

*Mr. Avery made the motion that the Board accept Chip Mayfield as the AD/Head Football Coach. Mrs. Moldenhauer seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.*

**H. Consider/Approve Comfort ISD District Goals for 2009-2010 School Year**

**Background:** *On February 28, 2009, the Board developed six Priorities to guide CISD in the years to come. The superintendent developed \_\_\_\_ goals related to the Board Priorities. These specific goals will be an ongoing evaluation of the district's progress over the course of three to five years.*

**Recommendation:** *It is the recommendation of the superintendent that the Board approve the District Goals as presented.*

*Mrs. Moldenhauer made the motion for the Board to approve the District Goals as presented. Mr. Lantz seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.*

**I. Employment Contracts for Teachers, Librarians, Counselors, and Nurses for the 2009-2010 School Year**

**Background:** *Annually the administrators review the performance of the teachers, counselors, and nurses and make recommendations for contracts for the upcoming school year.*

**Recommendation:** *It is the recommendation of the superintendent that the Board approve the term, probationary, dual assignment term, dual assignment probationary, and non-certified contract recommendations and certification addendums for the 2009-2010 school year as presented.*

*Mr. Lantz made the motion that the Board approve the term, probationary, dual assignment term, dual assignment probationary, and non-certified contract recommendations and certification addendums for the 2009-2010 school year as presented. Mr. Avery seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.*

**J. Resignations:  
*Keith Muehlstein*  
*Kane Harris***

***Doug Wheeler***  
***Jon Cearley (Retiring)***

*Trustees convened into closed session at 7:38 PM, according to Government Code §551.074 to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of an employee. No action will be taken during the Closed Session.*

*The meeting was reconvened into open session at 7:52 PM.*

*Mr. Saur made the motion that the Board accept the resignations/retirement as presented. Mr. Jennings seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.*

***K. Employment:***

**VIII. ADJOURN**

*There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.*

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Barb Lindner, President

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Marshall Jennings, Secretary