

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE CENTER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The Board of Trustees of the Center Independent School District met in regular session January 14, 2010, in the Administration Building. School Board President Dixon Golden called the meeting to order at 6:00 p. m.

PRESENT Dixon Golden, Deborah Chadwick, Stephen Shires, Dan Wilkins, Jim Sawyer, Ortega Cartwright, Superintendent James Hockenberry, Assistant Superintendent Rayford Copelin and Administrative Secretary Sarah Lee
Sharon Nelson entered the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

ABSENT Director of Finance and Business Operations Betty McDaniel

VISITORS Executive Director of Curriculum and Instruction Daya Hill, F. L. Moffett Primary School Interim Principal Tammy Lemoine, Center Intermediate School Principal Linda Snell, Center Elementary School Principal Kurt Radnitzer, Center Middle School Principal Gayla Miller, Center High School Principal Heath Hagler, Special Programs Director Angela Lawson, Special Services Director Mickey Wulf, Athletic Director Kevin Goodwin, Center High School Teacher Kathy Sawyer, Director of Technology Richard Miller, Math Specialist Allison Johnson, Social Studies Specialist Kaylin Burlison, Food Services Director Jeff Ackerman and Colleen Doggett from the *Light and Champion*

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dan Wilkins gave the Invocation and Ortega Cartwright led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

RECOGNITION OF SCHOOL BOARD

Superintendent Hockenberry, Administrators and Directors expressed their appreciation to the members of the school board for their dedication and hard work for the students and staff of Center ISD. F. L. Moffett Primary, Center Intermediate and Center High Schools had students and staff presented videos showing their appreciation to the school board members. President Golden thanked everyone for all the gifts and accolades.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION FROM THE SCHOOL BOARD

School Board Secretary Deborah Chadwick congratulated James Hockenberry and Tammy Lemoine for receiving their doctorate of education degrees. They were each presented with a gift from the school board members.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

A motion was made by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Sharon Nelson, and carried unanimously that the consent agenda be approved. The consent agenda consisted of the following items:

1. Minutes of December 3, 2009, January 7, 2010 (called meeting) and January 11, 2010 (called meeting)
2. Tax Office Report
3. Monthly Financial Statement
4. Amendment to the Budget – Budget Amendment to increase the appropriation for instructional supplies in the amount of \$10,000. This amount will be transferred from Staff Development (function 13) to Instruction (function 11) for additional instructional supplies. This amendment does not increase the amount of the total budget.
5. The following overnight student activity trips:
 - Beta Convention – Center High School – San Antonio, Texas – leaving January 15, 2010 and returning January 17, 2010 – 20 students – Susan Penick, Melissa Torrence and Jim Torrence, Sponsors
 - Close-Up – Center High School – Washington D.C. – leaving January 17, 2010 and returning January 22, 2010 – 8 students – Andrew Shaw, Sponsor
 - State Level Contest Practice Meet – JAU A Programming Class – UT – Austin, Texas – leaving February 5, 2010 and returning February 7, 2010 – 9 students – Lee Brazzell, Sponsor
 - HOSA Area VI Conference – Houston/Deer Park – leaving February 12, 2010 and returning February 13, 2010 – 12 students – LeeAnn McGraw and Kelly Lucas, Sponsors
 - Beta Convention - Center Middle School Beta Club – Dallas, Texas – leaving February 21, 2010 and returning February 23, 2010

MONTHLY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE APPROVED

A motion was made by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Stephen Shires, to approve the accounts payable for December. The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AUTHORIZING SUPERINTENDENT TO EXECUTE A QUIT CLAIM DEED TO THE COUNTY OF SHELBY APPROVED

A motion was made by Jim Sawyer and seconded by Deborah Chadwick, to approve a Resolution by the Board of Trustees Authorizing Superintendent to Execute a Quit Claim Deed to the County of Shelby. The motion carried unanimously.

PROPOSAL FOR NEW ADMINISTRATION BUILDING DRIVE-WAY AND PARKING LOT AWARDED

A motion was made by Deborah Chadwick, seconded by Dan Wilkins, to award the proposal for the new administration building drive-way and parking lot to Timberline Constructors in the amount of \$217,500. The motion carried unanimously.

HIGHLY QUALIFIED REPORT

A motion was made by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Stephen Shires, to accept the Highly Qualified Report as presented by Superintendent Hockenberry. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Assistant Superintendent Copelin gave an update on construction projects for the district.

SCHOOL FINANCE UPDATE

Superintendent Hockenberry gave an update on school finance.

CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION

President Golden called for a closed session as authorized by Texas Government Code 551.074 (Personnel) at 7:12 p.m. for discussion of subjects allowed.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The board reconvened in open session at 7:56 p.m. No action was taken in closed session.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS FOR THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR APPROVED

A motion by Stephen Shires, seconded by Jim Sawyer, carried unanimously to employ the following substitute teachers for the 2009-2010 school year:

1. Allison Cagle
2. Wanda Cordova
3. Jessica Goings
4. Halee Goss
5. Sarah Groves
6. Ginger Morris
7. Lois Norman
8. Barbara Taylor

RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT ACCEPTED

A motion was made by Deborah Chadwick, seconded by Dan Wilkins, to accept the resignations and/or retirements of the following:

1. Patsy Adams – F. L. Moffett Primary School Cafeteria Manager – Retirement – effective December 18, 2009
2. Brandy Rambin – Teacher – Special Services – F. L. Moffett Primary School – effective December 18, 2009
3. Margie Blount – Principal – F. L. Moffett Primary School – effective December 18, 2009

The motion carried unanimously.

EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL APPROVED

A motion was made by Sharon Nelson, seconded by Stephen Shires, to employ Kara Gregory as a Math Models Teacher at Center High School, effective January 4, 2010, subject to assignment. The motion carried unanimously.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE APPROVED

A motion was made by Deborah Chadwick, seconded by Dan Wilkins, to approve the following leaves of absence:

1. Thelma Smith – Teacher – Center Intermediate School – beginning December 15, 2009 and returning to work February 5, 2010 – medical leave
2. Jenny Cassell – Teacher – Center High School – beginning May 4, 2010 and returning to work May 29, 2010 – maternity leave

The motion carried unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT'S EVALUATION AND CONTRACT

A motion was made by Jim Sawyer, seconded Dan Wilkins, to accept the evaluation of Superintendent James Hockenberry and extend his contract until January 14, 2015. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Stephen Shires, seconded by Dan Wilkins, to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.