

**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 February 11, 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, Sharon Nelson, Superintendent James Hockenberry, Assistant Superintendent Rayford Copelin, Director of Finance and Business Operations Betty McDaniel and Administrative Secretary Sarah Lee

ABSENT None

VISITORS Executive Director of Curriculum and Instruction Daya Hill, Special Services Director Mickey Wulf, Food Services Director Jeff Ackerman and Chef Justin Mills

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dixon Golden gave the Invocation and Jim Sawyer led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

RECOGNITION OF CENTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR TITLE I DISTRICT RATING

Stephen Shires made a motion and it was seconded by Sharon Nelson to table this recognition until a later date. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

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

1. Minutes of January 14, 2010 and February 1, 2010 (workshop)
2. Tax Office Report
3. Monthly Financial Statement

4. Amendment to the Budget – Budget Amendment for another mini grant in the amount of \$2,324.34 through Deep East Texas College of Tech Prep Partnership that is administered through Angelina College. Funds from the grant will supplement career education. Alease Copelin will serve as the coordinator and contact for the grant.
5. The following overnight student activity trips:
 - Center High School – DECA State Conference – Ft. Worth, Texas - departing February 19, 2010 and returning February 21, 2010 – 2 students – Traci Mettauer, Sponsor
 - Center High School Band – All-State Band Clinic/Concert – San Antonio – leaving February 10, 2010 and returning February 13, 2010 – 1 student – Chris Smith, Sponsor

MONTHLY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE APPROVED

A motion was made by Deborah Chadwick, seconded by Dan Wilkins, to approve the accounts payable for January. The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR JOB DESCRIPTIONS APPROVED

A motion was made by Stephen Shires and seconded by Deborah Chadwick, to approve the administrator job description as presented by Superintendent Hockenberry. The motion carried unanimously.

APPLICATION FOR EXPEDITED AND GENERAL STATE WAIVERS – CENTER HIGH SCHOOL – MODIFIED SCHEDULE/TAKS TESTING DAYS WAIVER APPROVED

A motion was made by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Sharon Nelson, to approve the submission of the Application for Expedited and General State Waivers, Center High School, Modified Schedule/TAKS Testing Days Waiver as presented by Superintendent Hockenberry. The motion carried unanimously.

2010/2011 SCHOOL CALENDAR ADOPTED

A motion was made by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Stephen Shires, to adopt the 2010/2011 school calendar as presented by Superintendent Hockenberry. The motion carried unanimously.

PARTNERS IN EDUCATION UPDATE

Superintendent Hockenberry gave an update on Partners in Education.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

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

SYSTEMIC PLANNING UPDATE

Superintendent Hockenberry gave an update on systemic planning.

PREK PROGRAM DISCUSSION

Superintendent Hockenberry gave an update on the PreK Program and possible expansions for the future.

CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION

President Golden called for a closed session as authorized by Texas Government Code 551.074 (Personnel) at 7:04 p.m. for discussion of subjects allowed.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The board reconvened in open session at 7:43 p.m. No action was taken in closed session.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS FOR THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR APPROVED

A motion by Sharon Nelson, seconded by Dan Wilkins, carried unanimously to employ the following substitute teachers for the 2009-2010 school year:

1. Michael Shane Fenley
2. Leann Mills
3. Maria Ratcliff
4. KeAundra Redmond
5. Doris Samuel
6. Linda Todd
7. Alecia Underbrink

LEAVE OF ABSENCE APPROVED

A motion was made by Stephen Shires, seconded by Sharon Nelson, to approve a leave of absence for Angela (Angie) Barbee, teacher, Center Elementary School, beginning January 19, 2010.

The motion carried unanimously.

CONTRACT EXTENSIONS FOR CAMPUS AND DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS APPROVED

A motion was made by Deborah Chadwick, seconded by Stephen Shires, to extend the contracts for campus and district administrators as presented by Superintendent James Hockenberry. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Sharon Nelson, seconded by Jim Sawyer, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.