

**OFFICIAL 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 April 12, 2007, in the Administration Office. School Board President Mary Lynn Tinkle called the meeting to order at 6:01 p. m.

PRESENT Mary Lynn Tinkle, Deborah Chadwick, Jim Sawyer, Dr. Dixon Golden, Ortega Cartwright, Superintendent Kelly Rodgers, Assistant Superintendent Rayford Copelin, Director of Finances and Business Operations Betty McDaniel and Administrative Secretary Sarah Lee Sharon Nelson entered the meeting at 6:05 p.m. Dr. Florencio Singson entered the meeting at 6:14 p.m.

ABSENT None

VISITORS Center Elementary School Principal Kurt Radnitzer, Center Intermediate School Principal Dale Anderson, Curriculum Facilitator Debra Holder, F. L. Moffett Assistant Principal Linda Snell, Center High School Principal Wes Kirkham, Special Services Director Mickey Wulf, Maintenance/Transportation Director Jeff Crooms, F. L. Moffett staff Ashley Suttles, Connie Cooper, Susan Fountain, Joan Hays, Tiffany Miles, Janese Ward, Sherry Lawson, Miryam Escobedo, Katherine Raymond, Chasity Cooper, Beck Rogers, Betty Cook, Jennifer Griffin, Sommer Herndon, Pam Cleaver, Joanne Shillings, Lisa McDonald Garcia, Stephanie Underbrink, Jennifer DuVon, Elzie Suell and other school employees

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Deborah Chadwick, carried unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

A motion by Deborah Chadwick, seconded by Ortega Cartwright, carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of March 27, 2007 and called meeting of April 5, 2007.

RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Special Services Director Mickey Wulf introduced Jon Ellon Rholes, Special Services Teacher, and Ms. Rholes introduced some of the students who had participated in Special Olympics representing Center High School. Liz Y'Barra explained some of the events in which these students participated.

AUDIENCE WITH INDIVIDUALS OR COMMITTEES

None.

NEW BUSINESS - ITEMS FOR ACTION

TAX OFFICE REPORT APPROVED

Director of Finances and Business Operations Betty McDaniel presented the tax office report. The taxes collected for the month of March 2007 totaled \$57,797.12. Total current taxes collected to date are \$4,667,297.14. A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Sharon Nelson, carried unanimously to approve the tax office report as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT APPROVED

A motion by Deborah Chadwick, seconded by Dr. Golden, carried unanimously to approve the financial report as presented.

MARCH ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Sharon Nelson, carried to approve the first series of accounts payable for March.
Abstaining: Mary Lynn Tinkle

A motion by Deborah Chadwick, seconded by Dr. Golden, carried unanimously to approve the remaining accounts payable for March.

AMENDMENTS TO THE BUDGET

None

POLICY DBB AMENDED

A motion by Dr. Golden, seconded by Jim Sawyer, carried unanimously to amend Policy DBB (Local) - Employment Requirements and Restrictions: Medical Examinations and Communicable Diseases as presented by Assistant Superintendent Rayford Copelin.

ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH AUDIT FIRM APPROVED

A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Deborah Chadwick, carried unanimously to approve the engagement of the audit firm of Wilf & Henderson, P.C. as our independent auditors for the school year ending August 31, 2007. The estimated cost is the same as last year unless TEA requires additional schedules.

RESOLUTION RELATING TO TAX REALES APPROVED A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Deborah Chadwick, carried unanimously to approve a Resolution Relating to Tax Resales as presented by Superintendent Rodgers.

RESOLUTION DONATING PROPERTY APPROVED A motion by Dr. Singson, seconded by Jim Sawyer, carried unanimously to approve a Resolution Donating Property to City and County for Bulk Waste Use as presented by Superintendent Rodgers.

RENEWAL OF DENTAL, VISION & TERM LIFE GROUP INS. APPROVED A motion by Sharon Nelson, seconded by Jim Sawyer, carried unanimously to approve the renewal of dental, vision and term life group insurances for employees of Center ISD as presented by Director of Finances and Business Operations Betty McDaniel.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Administrative Reports

District Administrators' Reports were presented to the Board. Items discussed were:

- Student Activities
- Staff Development Activities
- Curriculum Activities
- Maintenance Progress
- Campus and District Plans

B. CIP Report

Superintendent Rodgers presented a report from Brenda Hill for the CHS School Improvement Plan.

C. Review of Maintenance and Facility Needs

Maintenance/Transportation Director Jeff Crooms presented proposed plans for summer projects.

D. Safety Audit

Superintendent Rodgers presented the recent safety audit completed by Region 7 ESC. The audit will help in planning for future safety and anticipated building programs.

CLOSED SESSION-TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.074
(PERSONNEL)

The Board went into closed session at 7:22 p.m. after School Board President Mary Lynn Tinkle announced intention of doing so under provisions of TGC.551.074 (Personnel Matters). President Tinkle announced that the session was open at 9:10 p.m.

**SUBSTITUTE
TEACHERS
EMPLOYED**

A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Deborah Chadwick, carried unanimously to employ the following substitute teachers for the 2006-2007 school year:

1. Ronald Barbee
2. Jerry Berel
3. Alicia Gonzalez
4. Becky Harkness
5. Ryan Miller
6. Dwight Preston
7. Kenneth Gregston
8. Jai' Quitia McCoy
9. Martha Jean Golden

**RESIGNATIONS
ACCEPTED**

A motion by Sharon Nelson, seconded by Deborah Chadwick, carried unanimously to accept the following resignations:

1. Susan L. Caldwell – 7th Grade Math Teacher – Center Middle School – effective end of 2006-2007 school year
2. Vincent Chatman – Teacher/Coach – Center Middle School – effective end of 2006-2007 school year
3. Kathi Howard – CHS Teacher/VAC/Transition Specialist – Special Services/Center High School – effective June 8, 2007 – Retirement

**AT-RISK
COUNSELOR
JOB DESC. P.
APPROVED**

A motion by Dr. Golden, seconded by Deborah Chadwick, carried unanimously to approve the job description for an At-Risk Counselor at the high school as presented by Superintendent Rodgers.

**EMPLOYEE
CONTRACT
CHANGES
APPROVED**

A motion by Dr. Golden, seconded by Jim Sawyer, carried unanimously to approve changes for the following employees:

1. Moffett Assistant Principal changed to twelve (12) months to assist in planning and summer student needs.

2. Moffett LVN changed to twelve (12) months to address student needs during summer.

**LEAVE OF
ABSENCES
APPROVED**

A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Deborah Chadwick, carried unanimously to approve the following leave of absences:

1. Michele Bender – March 5, 2007 to April 9, 2007 – medical leave of absence.
2. Chantay Lee – August 27, 2007 through October 7, 2007 – maternity leave
3. Jennifer Wood (Whittlesey) – April 30, 2007 through May 25, 2007 – maternity leave

**BOARD/
SUPT.
GOALS**

Superintendent Rodgers provided revised goals and discussed plans for staff input.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.