

**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 May 17, 2007, in the Library, Center High School. School Board President Mary Lynn Tinkle called the meeting to order at 6:00 p. m.

**PRESENT** Mary Lynn Tinkle, Deborah Chadwick, Jim Sawyer, Ortega Cartwright, Sharon Nelson, Superintendent Kelly Rodgers, Assistant Superintendent Rayford Copelin, Director of Finances and Business Operations Betty McDaniel and Administrative Secretary Sarah Lee

**ABSENT** Dr. Dixon Golden and Dr. Florencio Singson

**VISITORS** Center Elementary School Principal Kurt Radnitzer, Center Intermediate School Principal Dale Anderson, Curriculum Facilitator Debra Holder, F. L. Moffett Principal Margie Blount, Center High School Principal Wes Kirkham, Center Middle School Principal Heath Hagler, Special Services Director Mickey Wulf, Maintenance/Transportation Director Jeff Crooms, Athletic Director Ron Callahan, Special Programs Director Angela Lawson, Community Services Coordinator Billie Sue Payne, F. L. Moffett Teacher Jennifer Griffin, Center Middle School Teacher Joyce Jackson and other school employees

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Ortega Cartwright gave the Invocation and Deborah Chadwick 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 Sharon Nelson, seconded by Jim Sawyer, carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of April 12, 2007 and called meeting of May 11, 2007.

**RECOGNITION CENTER HIGH SCHOOL STAFF: CIT REPORT**

Superintendent Rodgers recognized Center High School staff for their accomplishments in raising TAKS scores. Center High School

Principal Wes Kirkham introduced members of the staff that were present at the meeting.

**RECOGNITION OF ALL STATE HIGH SCHOOL PARTICIPANTS**

David Chadwick, representing the City of Center, read a Proclamation for Center High School State UIL Participants 2006-2007, signed by Mayor of the City of Center John D. Windham.

Athletic Director Ron Callahan introduced coaches and players who participated in sports and acknowledged their accomplishments in district, regional and state competitions.

**AUDIENCE WITH INDIVIDUALS OR COMMITTEES**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS - ITEMS FOR ACTION**

**ELECTION  
RETURNS  
CANVASSED**

Board President Mary Lynn Tinkle appointed Jim Sawyer and Ortega Cartwright to canvass the May 12, 2007 School Bond Election returns. After canvassing the elections returns, Mr. Sawyer and Mr. Cartwright certified the following results with 642 votes being cast:

For	426
Against	216

A motion by Sharon Nelson, seconded by Deborah Chadwick carried unanimously to certify as correct the canvassing report and declare the school bond passed.

**TAX OFFICE  
REPORT  
APPROVED**

Director of Finances and Business Operations Betty McDaniel presented the tax office report. The taxes collected for the month of April 2007 totaled \$43,330.75. Total current taxes collected to date are \$4,700,497.45. 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 Sharon Nelson, carried unanimously to approve the financial report as presented.

**APRIL  
ACCOUNTS  
PAYABLE  
APPROVED**

A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Deborah Chadwick, carried to approve the first series of accounts payable for April.  
Abstaining: Mary Lynn Tinkle

A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Ortega Cartwright, carried unanimously to approve the remaining accounts payable for April.

**AMENDMENTS  
TO THE BUDGET**

None

**INTERLOCAL  
AGREEMENT  
WITH CITY  
OF CENTER  
APPROVED**

A motion made by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Deborah Chadwick, carried unanimously to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Center I.S.D. and the City of Center for the S.E.A. (Summer Enrichment Activity) Camp as presented by Superintendent Rodgers.

**MEMORANDUM  
OF UNDER-  
STANDING  
APPROVED**

A motion made by Deborah Chadwick, seconded by Sharon Nelson, carried unanimously to approve the Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Interlocal Agreement between Center I.S.D. and the City of Center as presented by Superintendent Rodgers.

**ADM. AUTH.  
TO SOLICIT  
PROPOSALS  
FOR PURCHASE  
OF MILK &  
BREAD PRODUCTS**

A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Sharon Nelson, carried unanimously to authorize the administration to solicit proposals for the purchase of milk and bread products for the Food Services Department for the 2007-2008 school year.

**ADM. AUTH.  
TO SOLICIT  
PROPOSALS FOR  
PURCHASE OF  
FUEL**

A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Sharon Nelson, carried unanimously to authorize the administration to solicit proposals for the purchase of fuel for student transportation for the 2007-2008 school year.

**ADM. AUTH.  
TO SOLICIT  
PROPOSALS FOR  
PURCHASE OF  
STUDENT INS.**

A motion by Sharon Nelson, seconded by Deborah Chadwick, carried unanimously to authorize the administration to solicit proposals for student accident insurance for the 2007-2008 school year.

**BANK  
DEPOSITORY  
BID  
AWARDED**

A motion by Sharon Nelson, seconded by Deborah Chadwick, carried to award the bid for a bank depository for 2007-2009 to Shelby Savings Bank. Also submitting bids were Citizens Bank, Sabine Bank and Texas State Bank  
Abstaining: Jim Sawyer

**SUPT.  
CERTIFIED TO  
SERVE ON ESC  
REGION VII  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE** A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Ortega Cartwright, carried unanimously to certify Superintendent Kelly Rodgers to serve as a committee member on ESC Region VII Advisory Committee for 2007-2008.

**POLICY EIF  
(LOCAL)  
REVISED** A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Deborah Chadwick, carried unanimously to revise Policy EIF (LOCAL) as presented by Assistant Superintendent Rayford Copelin.

**PERMISSION  
TO SELL  
SURPLUS  
ITEMS GRANTED** A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Sharon Nelson, carried unanimously to grant permission to conduct a sale of surplus items as presented by Assistant Superintendent Copelin.

**INTER-  
GOVERNMENTAL  
AGREEMENT &  
BUSINESS  
ASSOCIATE  
AGREEMENT  
APPROVED** A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Deborah Chadwick, carried unanimously to approve the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement and Business Associate Agreement concerning the Medicaid Administration Claim Program 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. TASB Risk Management Grant**

For the past several years CISD has participated in a grant program through Texas Association of School Boards (TASB). TASB provides a competitive grant program for schools participating in their Risk Management Services. CISD has received a grant the past three years and the funds have been used for training maintenance and custodial staff in safety issues, video cameras on various campuses and providing door mechanisms to improve security.

This year CISD has been awarded \$1,500 toward the purchase of additional Automated External Defibrillators (AED). CISD has received other AED devices through another grant program initiated with Shelby Regional Medical Center. The purchase of additional AED devices will provide greater accessibility.

**C. Resolution – Sponsored by 917<sup>th</sup> Medical Squadron**

The resolution allows the 917<sup>th</sup> Medical Squadron to adopt a school and provide educational services to our students.

**D. Service Awards Breakfast – Friday, May 25, 2007 – 7:30 a. m. – High School Cafetorium**

Service Award Pins will be presented to employees. Also, we will have some employees retiring. Breakfast will be served beginning at 7:30 a.m. The program will begin at approximately 8:15 a.m.

**E. Center High School Commencement – Saturday, May 26, 2007 – 8:00 p.m. – Roughrider Stadium**

Center High School Counselor Alease Copelin will organize this event.

**F. Summer Hours**

Due to the change in the starting date of the 2007-2008 school year, Center ISD offices will close on Fridays. Offices will close July 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> for Independence Day. The administration office will have someone to answer phones on Fridays. Center ISD will resume Friday hours for all office staff August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**G. Memorial Day Holiday**

Offices of Center ISD will be closed Monday May 28, 2007 in observance of Memorial Day.

**H. Distribution of TASB Policy Update 80**

Copies of TASB Policy Update 80 was given to board members.

**I. Correspondence**

- Thank you from Rene McDaniel and family for the donation made to the Catherine Pinkston Roughrider Scholarship Fund in memory of J. W. Hall.

- Thank you from Nancy Perry for the donation made to the Catherine Pinkston Roughrider Scholarship Fund in memory of Nancy's mother.

**CLOSED SESSION-TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.074  
(PERSONNEL)**

The Board went into closed session at 7:25 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 8:35 p.m.

- RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED** A motion by Deborah Chadwick, seconded by Ortega Cartwright, carried unanimously to accept the following resignations:
1. Wes Kirkham – Principal – Center High School – effective June 30, 2007
  2. Mark Fannin – Teacher/Coach – Center Middle School – effective end of the 2006-2007 school year
  3. Matt Loftice – History Teacher – Center High School – effective May 31, 2007 - retirement

- EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL APPROVED** A motion by Deborah Chadwick, seconded by Sharon Nelson, carried unanimously to employ the following personnel for the 2007-2008 school year, subject to assignment:
1. Jake Henson – History Teacher/Coach – Center High School

- SUPT. AUTHORIZED TO ADVERTISE FOR ASST. PRINCIPAL FOR INSTRUCTION TABLED** A motion by Sharon Nelson, seconded by Jim Sawyer, carried unanimously to table authorizing Superintendent Kelly Rodgers to advertise for an Assistant Principal for Instruction until after a new high school principal is hired.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.