

**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 August 14, 2008, in the Administration Building. School Board President Mary Lynn Tinkle called the meeting to order at 6:08 p. m.

PRESENT Mary Lynn Tinkle, Ortega Cartwright, Dr. Dixon Golden, Jim Sawyer, Sharon Nelson, Superintendent James Hockenberry, Assistant Superintendent Rayford Copelin, Director of Finances and Business Operations Betty McDaniel and Administrative Secretary Sarah Lee
Dr. Florencio Singson entered the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

ABSENT Deborah Chadwick

VISITORS Center Intermediate School Principal Linda Snell, Director of Maintenance/Transportation Jeff Crooms, Center Elementary School Principal Kurt Radnitzer and Director of District Support Services Dale Anderson

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ortega Cartwright gave the Invocation and Sharon Nelson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Dr. Golden, seconded by Jim Sawyer, that the consent agenda be approved containing minutes of July 17, 2008, July 22, 2008, August 4, 2008 and August 6, 2008; tax office report; the monthly financial statement and correspondence. The motion to approve the consent agenda carried unanimously.

MONTHLY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A motion was made by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Sharon Nelson to approve the first series of accounts payable for July. The motion carried 5-0.
Abstaining: Mary Lynn Tinkle

A motion was made by Dr. Singson, seconded by Jim Sawyer to approve the second series of accounts payable for July. The motion carried 5-0.

Abstaining: Dr. Golden

A motion was made by Dr. Golden, seconded by Jim Sawyer, to approve the remaining accounts payable for June. The motion carried unanimously.

TASB POLICY FEC (LOCAL) – Attendance/Attendance for Credit

A motion was made by Sharon Nelson, seconded by Dr. Singson, to adopt Policy FEC (LOCAL) as recommended by TASB Policy Services. The motion carried unanimously.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE APPROVED

A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Ortega Cartwright, carried unanimously to approve the Notice of Public Meeting to discuss the budget and proposed tax rate at 12:00 noon on August 29, 2008 in the Administration Office. The proposed budget is \$16,902,273. The proposed tax rate is \$1.2338. This consists of an M&O rate of \$1.04 and an I&S rate of \$.1938.

BROADCAST AGREEMENT BETWEEN CENTER BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. AND CENTER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT APPROVED

A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Ortega Cartwright, carried unanimously to approve The Broadcast Agreement between Center Broadcasting, Inc. and Center Independent School District as presented by Superintendent Hockenberry.

SUPERINTENDENT'S GOALS TABLED

A motion by Dr. Singson, seconded by Dr. Golden, carried unanimously to table the adoption of the superintendent's goals until a later meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Hockenberry gave construction information from Goodwin-Lasiter to the board members on the High School and Intermediate School additions. He also updated election information received from the school attorney. AP/Dual Credit and Certification information was discussed. Meet the Riders will be Friday August 15th at 6:00 in the High School Gym.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Administrative reports were reviewed. These reports include information for curriculum, maintenance, and campus activities.

CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION

Mrs. Tinkle called for a closed session as authorized by Texas Government Code Chapter 551 at 7:20 p.m. for discussion of subjects allowed.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The board reconvened in open session at 8:50 p.m. No action was taken in closed session.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS APPROVED

A motion by Sharon Nelson, seconded by Jim Sawyer, carried unanimously to employ the following substitute teachers for the 2008-2009 school year:

1. July Doyle
2. Elaine Harless
3. Dena Hinton
4. Mary Smith
5. Misti Thornton
6. Whitney Mahan
7. Stephanie Williams

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED

A motion by Sharon Nelson, seconded by Jim Sawyer, carried unanimously to accept the following resignations:

1. Mattie Borders, Instructional Aide, Special Services, effective August 13, 2008.
2. Ross Allison, Math Teacher, CHS

EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL

A motion by Sharon Nelson, seconded by Jim Sawyer, carried unanimously to employ the following personnel for the 2008-2009 school year, subject to assignment:

1. Natalie Corbell – History Teacher – Center High School

2. Meghan McDonald – 1st Grade Teacher – F. L. Moffett Primary School
3. Chelsey Brewer – PreK Teacher – F. L. Moffett Primary School
4. Lacy Holder Foshee – Special Services Teacher – Center Middle School
5. Sherry Walton Cougler – Special Services Instructional Aide - Center Middle School
6. Elizabeth Pitts Rowlett – PreK-3 Teacher – F. L. Moffett Primary School
7. Debra Gardner – Instructional Aide – F. L. Moffett Primary School
8. James Torrence – Career and Technology Teacher – CHS
9. Anita Williams – 8th Grade Science Teacher – CMS
10. Jesus Garcia-Castillo – CMS
11. Celia Aguilar Sandoval – EC-4 Bilingual Teacher – FLM
12. Elba Cirenía Molina Noriega – EC-4 Bilingual Teacher – FLM
13. Roberto Diaz Gonzalez – Spanish Teacher – CHS
14. Mitchell Spence – Alg 2 Teacher – CHS
15. Julia Morales – ESL Aide – Center Middle School

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.