

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

The Board of Trustees of the Center Independent School District met in called session August 31, 2009, in the Administration Office of Center ISD. School Board President Dixon Golden called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon.

**PRESENT** Dixon Golden, Deborah Chadwick, Jim Sawyer, Stephen Shires, Dan Wilkins, Superintendent James Hockenberry, Assistant Superintendent Rayford Copelin, Director of Finances and Business Operations Betty McDaniel and Administrative Secretary Sarah Lee Ortega Cartwright entered the meeting at 12:01 p.m.  
Sharon Nelson entered the meeting at 12:03 p.m.

**ABSENT** None

**VISITORS** None

**AMENDMENTS TO THE 2008-2009 BUDGET APPROVED**

A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Deborah Chadwick carried unanimously to approve the amendments to the 2008-2009 budget as presented.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON ADOPTION OF BUDGET AND TAX RATE FOR 2009-2010**

President Golden opened the meeting for those wishing to address the board on the adoption of Budget and Tax Rate for the 2009-2010 school year. There were none wishing to address the board.

**BUDGET FOR 2009-2010 ADOPTED**

A motion was made by Sharon Nelson, seconded by Dan Wilkins, to adopt the following budget for 2009-2010:

1. The Maintenance and Operation (M&O) Budget that provides for revenues and expenditures of \$17, 568,470.
2. The National School Lunch and Breakfast Program Budget that provides for revenues and expenditures of \$1,488,690.
3. The Interest and Sinking (I&S) Budget that provides for revenues and expenditures of \$1,432,488.

4. The Building Fund Budget that provides for revenues and expenditures of \$50,000.
5. The Construction Fund that provides for revenues and expenditures of \$7,000,000.

The motion carried unanimously.

#### **M&O AND I&S TAX RATE ADOPTED**

A motion by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Stephen Shires, carried unanimously to adopt for the 2009-2010 school year the following tax rates:

Maintenance and Operation (M&O) Tax Rate	\$1.04
Interest and Sinking (I&S) Tax Rate	<u>\$ .1938</u>
<b>TOTAL RATE</b>	<b>\$1.2338</b>

#### **PUBLIC HEARING ON FIRST REPORT APPROVED**

Director of Finances and Business Operations Betty McDaniel presented the FIRST Report.

#### **DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE FOR THE TASB/TASA CONFERENCE DELEGATE ASSEMBLY APPOINTED**

A motion was made by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Dan Wilkins, to appoint Ortega Cartwright as delegate and Deborah Chadwick as alternate to the TASB/TASA Conference Delegate Assembly. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **PERMISSION TO PETITION THE CITY OF CENTER TO DESIGNATE ROUGH RIDER DRIVE AS A SCHOOL ZONE GRANTED**

A motion was made by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Dan Wilkins, to grant permission to petition the City of Center to designate Roughrider Drive as a school zone. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **PERMISSION TO PETITION THE CITY OF CENTER TO REMOVE THE DESIGNATION OF NACOGDOCHES STREET (OLD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL) AS A SCHOOL ZONE GRANTED**

A motion was made by Deborah Chadwick, seconded by Ortega Cartwright, to grant permission to petition the City of Center to remove the designation of Nacogdoches Street (old elementary school) as a school zone. The motion carried unanimously.

### **RESIGNATIONS OF EMPLOYEES ACCEPTED**

A motion was made by Jim Sawyer, seconded by Stephen Shires, to accept the resignations of the following employees:

1. Cynthia Byers – Computer Lab – Center Intermediate School – effective August 14, 2009
2. Carlene Higgins – Teacher – Center Intermediate School – effective August 14, 2009

The motion carried unanimously.

### **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. Debbie Wood
2. Ashley Wulf

### **EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL APPROVED**

A motion was made by Deborah Chadwick, seconded by Sharon Nelson, to employ the following people, subject to assignment:

1. William (Bill) Scott – 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grades Fine Art Teacher – Center Intermediate School
2. Daniel Archer – 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grades Computer Lab Aide – Center Intermediate School

The motion carried unanimously.

### **LEAVES OF ABSENCE APPROVED**

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

1. Margo Williams – Nurse – Center High School - beginning August 17, 2009 – approximate return date is September 30, 2009 – medical leave
2. Pamela Rodgers – Teacher – Center High School - beginning August 17, 2009 – approximate return date is September 21, 2009 – medical leave

3. Brandalyn Rambin – Teacher – Special Services – F. L. Moffett Primary School – beginning August 19, 2009 – approximate return date is November 9, 2009 – maternity leave

The motion carried unanimously.

### **ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Deborah Chadwick, seconded by Jim Sawyer, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.