

COLEMAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coleman Independent School District met Monday, April 16, 2018 at 5:37 p.m. in the school business office for the regular monthly meeting.

Present: Sandra Rose, Mike Barker, Becky Dobbins, Joshua Hale

Absent: Mark Martinez, Harold Skelton, Jeremy Deramus

Others Present: Dr. Skip Casey, Interim Superintendent; Diana Dobbins, High School Principal; Amy Flippin, Jr. High Principal; Joy Thompson, Elementary Principal; Kristi Greaves, Business Manager; Paul Martin; Bill Habiger; Gary Strickland; Kathy Turner, media representative

Recorder: Mary Strickland

Minutes: Becky Dobbins made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 26, 2018. The second was made by Josh Hale. Mike Barker abstained. Motion passed 3-0.

CAMPUS REPORTS:

Rocketry Program: Gary Strickland, CHS Scientific Research and Design Teacher and Computer Science Teacher, presented an overview of his classes. The students build and launch rockets in the SRD class using the concepts they learn in class. The computer science students are learning to code using Python in the introductory CS class. This is the first year computer science is offered at CHS and Mr. Strickland hopes to offer a CS II class in the near future.

Robotics Program:

Bill Habiger, CHS Chemistry, Engineering and Robotics Teacher, presented information on the Robotics class. The CHS Robotics team placed 3rd at the regional contest, 5th at the area contest and 35th at the State contest this year. Mr. Habiger and Mr. Strickland both emphasized the importance of generating an interest in STEM courses at the elementary level.

ACTION ITEMS:

Personnel – Consider Accepting Resignations from Personnel:

Becky Dobbins made a motion to accept the resignation from Amy Gaines. Mike Barker seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Dr. Casey accepted the resignation from Emily Ruiz on behalf of the board on March 28, 2018.

Personnel – Consider Recommendation to Hire Personnel for the 2018-2019 School Year:

Becky Dobbins made a motion to hire Stacy Moore for the 2018-2019 school year as recommended by the administration. Josh Hale seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Consider Approving 21st Century Community Learning Center Cycle 10, Year 1 Application Submission with Updates and Sustainability Plan:

Paul Martin presented a brief overview of the Cycle 10 grant. The Cycle 10 grant is a three year grant. Becky Dobbins made a motion to approve the 21st Century Community Learning Center Cycle 10, Year 1 Application Submission with Updates and Sustainability Plan as recommended by the administration. Mike Barker seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Consider Approving Updated Shared Service Agreement for Texas 21st Century Community Learning Center Cycle 10, Year 1 Between Coleman ISD, Santa Anna ISD, Panther Creek CISD, and Winters ISD:

Becky Dobbins made a motion to approve the Updated Shared Service Agreement for Texas 21st Century Community Learning Center Cycle 10, Year 1 Between Coleman ISD, Santa Anna ISD, Panther Creek CISD, and Winters ISD as recommended by the administration. Josh Hale seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

BOARD REPORT:

Principal Reports:

Diana Dobbins, Amy Flippin and Joy Thompson each gave an overview of the current activities happening on their respective campuses.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

TASB/Region 14 ESC Spring Workshop:

The TASB/Region 14 ESC Spring Workshop will be held on May 17, 2018 in Abilene, TX. Board members were asked to indicate if they plan to attend.

Teacher Appreciation Day:

Teacher Appreciation Day is Tuesday, May 8, 2018. The board plans to prepare lunch for the elementary and Jr. High faculty on May 1st and for the high school faculty on May 2nd.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Teacher Incentive Committee:

Dr. Casey informed the board that the recently formed Teacher Incentive Committee met April 11, 2018. He stated it was a positive meeting and ideas were discussed regarding increasing teacher retention at CISD. Outside of monetary incentives, the committee agreed that reducing teacher stress is a main factor in teacher satisfaction.

Superintendent Search Input Sessions:

The Superintendent Search Firm has scheduled input sessions for Monday, April 23, 2018 to assist them in determining the characteristics desired in the selection of a new superintendent for Coleman ISD. The board will meet with the selection firm following the input sessions.

Check Payment List:

The Board reviewed the check payments for the month of April, 2018.

Financial Board Report:

The Financial Board Report for March, 2018 was presented to the Board.

Financial Statement:

The Financial Report as of March, 2018 was presented to the Board.

DISCUSSION ITEM:

Closed Session:

The Board went into Closed Session at 6:36 p.m. under Texas Government Code Section 551.074 to discuss superintendent search with Dr. Casey. The Board came out of Closed Session and back into Regular Session at 7:22 p.m. with no action taken.

Adjournment:

The Board adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

MARK MARTINEZ

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