

COLEMAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coleman Independent School District met Monday, October 17, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. in the school business office for the regular monthly meeting.

Present: Sue Sloan, Jody Payne, Viki Hambright, Mike Barker, John Casey

Absent: Billy Bledsoe, Mark Martinez

Others Present: Royce Young, Superintendent; Richard Holloway, High School Principal; Paula Ringo, Jr. High Principal; Becky Jackson, Elementary Principal; Lorrie Payne, Curriculum Director; Karen Huff, Business Manager; Chanie Barker, Ashley Grissom, Ryan Martin

Recorder: Mary Strickland

Minutes: John Casey made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 19, 2011. The second was made by Sue Sloan. Voting for the motion were Sue Sloan and John Casey. Mike Barker, Viki Hambright and Jody Payne abstained. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) Report: There was no one from the public in attendance. Coleman ISD received a Superior Achievement Rating for the 2009-2010 FIRST report.

School Improvement Plan for Coleman Junior High School in Areas of Math and Writing: There was no one from the public in attendance. The School Improvement Plan is one of the reports required to be submitted due to this year's accountability requirements at the Jr. High campus.

ACTION ITEMS:

Consider Approving the School Improvement Plan for Coleman Jr. High School in Areas of Math and Writing: Jody Payne made a motion to approve the School Improvement Plan for Coleman Jr. High School in Areas of Math and Writing and to give Paula Ringo the authority to make amendments as necessary. Viki Hambright seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Consider Appointing Dr. Atwood, Dr. Reynolds, Brad Ballard, Barbara Cox, and James Nall to the Coleman ISD Concussion Oversight Team (COT): Mr. Young stated that Brad Ballard and Barbara Cox were not eligible to be appointed to the Concussion Oversight Team. Therefore, Mike Barker made a motion to appoint Dr. Darrin Atwood, Dr. Paul Reynolds, and James Nall to the Coleman ISD Concussion Oversight Team (COT). Jody Payne seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Consider Approving the Campus Crisis Plans for Coleman High School, Coleman Jr. High School, and Coleman Elementary School:

Viki Hambright made a motion to approve the Campus Crisis Plans for Coleman High School, Coleman Jr. High School, and Coleman Elementary School as presented. Mike Barker seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Consider Approving Contract with The Coleman County Tax Appraisal District for Assessment and Collection Services for 2012-2013:

Jody Payne made a motion to approve the contract with the Coleman County Tax Appraisal District for Assessment and Collection Services for 2012 - 2013. John Casey seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Nominate Candidate for Election to The Board of Directors of the 2012 Coleman County Tax Appraisal District:

A motion was made by Viki Hambright to nominate Mark Martinez for election to the Board of Directors of the 2012 Coleman County Tax Appraisal District. Mike Barker seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Amend the Budget:

There were no budget amendments.

BOARD REPORT:

Principal Reports:

Paula Ringo, Jr. High Principal, informed the board that they are working on the School Improvement Plan as required for their accountability rating. Richard Holloway, High School Principal, reported that he has a 9th Grade parent meeting scheduled for October 25th to begin explaining the transition from the TAKS to the STAAR test.

TASB/TASA Joint Annual Convention:

Board members Sue Sloan, Viki Hambright, Jody Payne and John Casey attended the TASB Convention in Austin along with Superintendent Royce Young.

Cool Schools Energy Grant:

Royce Young informed the board that Coleman ISD was not awarded the Cool Schools Energy Grant which was applied for to update the air conditioning system at the high school.

Update on Litigation for Equitable School Funding for Taxpayers and School Children of Texas:

Royce Young updated the board on the lawsuit that Coleman ISD had joined into with approximately 200 other school districts suing the State of Texas for equitable school funding. He stated two other lawsuits had been also filed by other groups.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

December Board Meeting Date:

The December regular school board meeting was set for Thursday, December 15th.

TASB Fall Legal Seminar, Abilene:

The TASB Fall Legal Seminar will be held in Abilene on November 15th.

Board Workshop on School Finance Plans for 2012-2013:

Royce Young set a board workshop on school finance on December 15th following the regular monthly board meeting.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Coleman High School End-of-Course Grading Policy Recommendation:

Richard Holloway presented a Coleman High School End-of-Course Grading Policy Recommendation which would be implemented with the new STAAR End-of-Course Assessment. This year's freshmen class would be the first class of students to adhere to the new policy.

Highly Qualified Teacher Report:

Mr. Young reported that all of the teachers in the district met the Highly Qualified requirements.

Check Payment List:

The Board reviewed the check payments for the month of October, 2011.

Financial Statement:

The Financial Report as of September 30, 2011 was given to the board.

Adjournment:

The Board adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

SUE SLOAN

VIKI HAMBRIGHT