

COLEMAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coleman Independent School District met Monday, December 17, 2018 at 5:31 p.m. in the school business office for the regular monthly meeting.

Present: Sandra Rose, Harold Skelton, Mike Barker, John Casey, Becky Dobbins, Joshua Hale

Absent: Mark Martinez

Others Present: Brandon McDowell, Superintendent; Diana Dobbins, High School Principal; Amy Flippin, Jr. High Principal; Joy Thompson, Elementary Principal; Kristi Greaves, Business Manager; Paul Martin; Pam Cohea

Recorder: Mary Strickland

Minutes: John Casey made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 12, 2018. The second was made by Becky Dobbins. Motion passed 6-0.

Honors and Recognition: Pam Cohea, Coleman Elementary STEAM teacher, presented a video on the Aquaponics program at Coleman Elementary. The video tied for placed 3rd Place in a national contest conducted by Nelson and Pade, makers of aquaponics systems. Mr. McDowell presented Mrs. Cohea with a certificate of recognition.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Financial Integrity Rating System No one from the public addressed the board regarding the FIRST report. Coleman ISD received a Superior Rating for the 2017-2018 school year.

ACTION ITEMS:

2017-2018 Audit Report:

Rick Rodgers, representing James E. Rodgers and Company, P.C., Certified Public Accountants, presented the 2017-2018 Audit Report. The district received an unmodified audit. Harold Skelton made a motion to approve the 2017-2018 Audit Report as presented. Josh Hale seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Amend the Budget:

Mike Barker made a motion to approve the budget amendments. The second was made by John Casey. Motion passed 6-0.

BOARD REPORT:

Principal Reports:

The principals each gave reports on their respective campuses. Their emphasis was on mid-year benchmark testing.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Team of 8 Board Workshop:

Mr. McDowell has contacted the ESC Region 15 about providing the Team of 8 board training. He will finalize a date for February, 2019.

Superintendent Evaluation:

The superintendent evaluation will be held at the January regular board meeting. Mr. McDowell will provide the board with evaluation documents the first part of January.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Texas Capitol Schoolhouse:

Coleman ISD has been invited to participate in the 2019 Texas Capitol Schoolhouse to be held on Monday, January 28, 2019 in the Texas State Capitol Basement Rotunda. Ten schools in the state will be showcasing how technology is being used to improve the way teachers teach and students learn. The Coleman High School Bluecat News and the Coleman Elementary robotics programs will be demonstrated.

Hall of Honor: The Hall of Honor Banquet will be held Saturday, February 23, 2019. The 2019 inductees are Jack Baucom, Tom Jones, John E. McDaniel, W.A. "Bill" Stephenson, and Ralph Terry.

January Regular Board Meeting Date: The January regular board meeting will be held on Thursday, January 24, 2019, due to the MLK holiday on the 3rd Monday.

Report of Board Training Received to Date: The public announcement of board training received will be made in April.

TASB Winter Governance and Legal Seminar: Harold Skelton plans to attend the TASB Winter Governance and Legal Seminar being held in Galveston on February 23-21, 2019.

Check Payment List: The Board reviewed the check payments for the month of December, 2018.

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

Financial Statement: The Financial Statement as of November 30, 2018 was presented to the Board.

Adjournment: The Board adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

MARK MARTINEZ

HAROLD SKELTON