

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE WINK-LOVING INDEPENDENT
SCHOOL DISTRICT
February 13, 2012**

The Board of Trustees of the Wink-Loving Independent School District convened in regular monthly session at 6:00 p.m., February 13, 2012 in the administration board room.

Members Present Eddie Brewer, Minerva Soltero, Russ Slaughter, Larry Antley, Kristyl Hotze, and Brad White.

Members Absent Melissa Halterman was absent due to cake & cookie orders for Valentine's Day

Others Present Paul Scifres, Winkler County News, Linda Harder, Greg Rogers

Public Comments Elementary Students of the month were from Kindergarten classes. Emily Rodriguez was nominated by Mrs. Boggess for having a positive attitude, smiling, responsible, and taking pride in her work.
Scott Burch was nominated by Mrs. Ratliff for being academically above, abiding by the rules, being a hard worker and having a smile on his face.
In high school, the two students nominated by Mr. Boggess were Nick Rogers and Gabe Valerio. Both boys are in CX Debate and have qualified for State Debate during Spring Break. Both boys are very involved in sports and Gabe also qualified for state in Skills USA.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes from the January 16 meeting were presented to the board. Trustee Soltero made the motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept as presented. Trustee Hotze seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous vote.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS Holly Bryan presented the budget amendments for the month. They involved moving money from equipment maintenance and repair in function 11 to student tuition; \$100. Also in Function 11, moving \$200 from General Supplies Secondary to Books & Ref. Materials Secondary. In function 36; \$5,000 was moved from Teachers and other Professional personnel to the same category. \$1,750 was moved from travel cheerleading to fees and dues secondary general. Motion made by Trustee Slaughter to approve the budget amendments. Motion seconded by Trustee Antley and it passed with a unanimous vote.

FINANCIAL REPORTS BILLS PAID AND BILLS PAYABLE The financial reports, bills paid during the month, and bills payable for the month of February were submitted by Holly Bryan. Bills for the month totaled \$184,077.35.
Trustee Soltero moved that the financial reports, bills paid during the month, and the bills payable be approved. The motion was seconded by Trustee Slaughter and carried with a unanimous vote.

TAX
COLLECTION
REPORT

A local tax collection report for January 2012 was presented to the board by Grace Harrison, tax collector. Total collections for January were \$7,798,473.89. Collection percentage is 85.76%. Trustee Soltero moved to approve the tax collection reports. The motion was seconded by Trustee Hotze and carried with a unanimous vote.

SUPER-
INTENDENT'S
REPORT:

At this time Mr. Benham suggested the board take a quick break to enjoy the pizza while it was hot. The board took about 10 minutes and then proceeded with the meeting. (6:22 p.m.)

John Blackburn with Government Securities spoke to the board about the Election Timetable to be sure everything is in place for the May 12, 2012 election. He said that we would approve the resolution for Pre-bond construction for \$250,000.00. The Financial Advisory Agreement renews every year, 2% of the principal amount of debt will be paid to Government Capital Securities as compensation for placing its Securities with an investor. This agreement can be terminated anytime for any reason upon 30 days with prior written notice.

John went over the Power Point Presentation of 5 different project scenarios and the cost and breakdown for each one. The presentation included the project ideas, the bond financing, local tax effect and annual debt service. Trustee Brewer asked again about early payoff possibility and No penalty for early payoff. John Blackburn went over that with the board members and talked to them about not loading too much debt on the front end of the note. Mr. Benham thanked John for his time and told the board that he would like to have a meeting on March 1st possibly a 15 minute breakfast meeting at which time the bond council will be present. He will review some dates and times with the board members to see what date is best for them.

Next, Craig Wallace with Stiles, Wallace & Associates met with the board members to go over some of the fine details of calling the bond. He said we need a Dollar amount of the bond on the date the election is called. He went over some of the bond proposal projections at this time such as square footage of high school and junior high. He told the board that renovating the high school will be a \$27 million project and building a new high school will be a \$30 million project. In March we will call the bond election and will need the bond amount. When the bond passes, he suggested the first thing we do is to install the turf as it is a small project, easy to do, and can be available this summer since it is a summer project. In July through August we will start construction on the new high school; that will take 18 to 22 months with a finish date projected of May 2014. Then we will move to the renovation projects. Craig told the board that the question of the day is "How to proceed." Trustee Slaughter told the board that he has stopped by the fire dept and talked to the firemen and they were agreeable to mow it down and build new. He said three of the firemen were Wink exes. Trustee Hotze said this is more a business decision than an emotional decision, some people do not like the idea of the high school on the junior high practice field, but she does not want to see the high school chained. Trustee Soltero said there has been some misunderstanding; some people want a new building, but think the old building will still be here. Trustee White said we could spend \$2-3 million in old building and have to back out and can't move. Trustee Soltero said she is

not supportive of a bond that will build a new school; we said we would fix the wing. Trustee Antley said all the kids want a new school; that he has talked to. Craig Wallace spoke again at this time regarding the current condition of the high school saying things underground at the high school he cannot change. To do a retrofit; the front and side entrance to the high school is the worst to adapt for security.

Mr. Benham reviewed the monthly reports with the board members: the cafeteria freezers went out on Friday; so food will be scaled back this week in the cafeteria.

He also told the board that the lots were surveyed on the north side of the high school; the parking lot by the property is right on the fence. We will have to ask the people to move their fence back. Greg Rogers agreed with Mr. Benham that was our only choice.

Trustee Brewer gave a Board Training Report saying that all members met Tiers 2 and 3 requirements. They will have to review this each December and always remember after the Legislature meets they need to do a Legislative Update with a person that will come in and do the presentation in order to get their required hours. They will have to watch a video and do Team Building.

Mr. Carman gave the Elementary Principal's Report saying they have 224 students. STAAR tutorials are being conducted. Spring Field trips are being planned and the elementary music program will be on Wednesday March 1st. Mr. Boggess gave the High School Principal's Report saying that they have 101 high school students; and junior high is consistent. CX Debate placed 2nd, 3rd, and 5th; the 2nd place team qualifies to go to State CX Debate during Spring Break. Band trip will be to Branson, Missouri during Spring Break. Skills USA qualified for state contest in Corpus Christi.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION(S)

Mr. Benham told the board that we have four teachers that have turned in resignations that we need to accept and we need to ratify the resignation of Wes Johnson. On the first part; the four teachers resigning are Dan Evans, Chris Evans, Carolyn Gilbreath, and Kristen Worden.

Trustee Slaughter made the motion to accept the resignations as presented with regrets. Motion seconded by Trustee Brewer and passed with a unanimous vote.

Ratify the resignation of Wes Johnson under umbrella of Employee Resignation Incentive. Motion made by Trustee Soltero to ratify the resignation of Wes Johnson as presented. Motion seconded by Trustee Slaughter and passed with a 4-2 vote. Those voting for ratification were Trustees Soltero, Slaughter, Brewer and White. Those voting against were Trustees Antley and Hotze.

APPROVE SELECTION OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK FOR WLISD BOND PROPOSAL

Craig Wallace told the board members they had advertised for two weeks for a

construction manager and had three potential people. The advertisement was for a \$20-\$30 million bond and two of the requirements were that they have a Performance and Payment Bond; insurance to protect people. One contractor met all the requirements and Craig has worked with them. Mr. Benham said the contractor is Knox, Gailey & Meador, Inc.

Motion made by Trustee Slaughter to authorize the Superintendent to enter into contract with Knox, Gailey & Meador, Inc. as Construction Manager at Risk. Motion seconded by Trustee Antley and passed with a 5-1 vote. Trustee Soltero opposed the selection stating she is for education and not in favor of anything in the bond that will tear down the school. Those Trustees voting for the motion were Trustees Slaughter, Antley, Brewer, White, and Hotze.

**APPROVE RESOLUTION TO REIMBURSE PRE-BOND
CONSTRUCTION FOR \$250,000.00**

Craig Wallace explained to the board this resolution is to reimburse them for pre-bond construction costs up to \$250,000 while getting vendors set up and working.

Trustee Hotze made the motion that we approve the resolution to reimburse pre-bond construction for \$250,000.00 as recommended. Motion seconded by Trustee White and passed with a 5-1 vote. Trustee Soltero voted against the resolution stating the same feelings as before; she is for education and would not vote for a bond that would tear down the school.

APPROVE PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK RESOLUTION

TEXAS PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, TEXAS HAS HISTORICALLY BEEN DEDICATED TO A STRONG SYSTEM OF EDUCATION AND FOR MORE THAN FIFTY YEARS SPECIAL EMPHASIS HAS BEEN PLACED UPON EDUCATION WITH THE OBSERVANCE OF TEXAS PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK; AND,

WHEREAS, A JOINT EFFORT MUST BE MADE BY PARENTS, SCHOOLS, AND THE COMMUNITY WORKING TOGETHER TOWARD A COMMON COMMITMENT FOR PREPARING OUR CHILDREN TO BE TOMORROW'S LEADERS; AND,

WHEREAS, PARENTS AND TAXPAYERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO VISIT THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS THE WEEK OF MARCH 5TH THROUGH MARCH 9TH, 2012, TO RECOGNIZE THE IMPACT THAT OUR EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM HAS ON OUR COMMUNITY;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE, THE WINK-LOVING TRUSTEES, WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT TEXAS PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK, MARCH 5TH THROUGH MARCH 9TH, 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT ALL CITIZENS ARE URGED TO TAKE AN ACTIVE INTEREST IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM AND COOPERATE WITH SCHOOL OFFICIALS IN PREPARING TOMORROW'S LEADERS.

SIGNATURE

TEXAS PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

MARCH 5TH THROUGH MARCH 9TH, 2012

**MONDAY, MARCH 5TH
WINK WILDCAT BAND SPRING CONCERT**

JOIN US THIS EVENING IN THE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM FOR A MUSICAL PRESENTATION BY THE WILDCAT BAND.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 6TH
BREAKFAST FOR PARENTS**

PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, GUARDIANS, AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED TO ENJOY BREAKFAST WITH THEIR FAVORITE CHILD OR STUDENT. THERE WILL BE NO COST TO VISITORS FOR THIS MEAL. JOIN YOUR CHILD FOR BREAKFAST AND SEE HOW THE WINK-LOVING SCHOOLS START YOUR CHILD OFF TO A GOOD DAY.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7TH
LUNCH FOR PARENTS**

A LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED AT NO COST TO VISITORS IN THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA FOR ANY PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITY. A SPECIAL INVITATION GOES TO THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF ANY CHILD ATTENDING THE WINK-LOVING SCHOOLS. JOIN YOUR CHILD FOR LUNCH TO SHOW THEM THAT YOU VALUE THEIR OPPORTUNITY FOR EDUCATION. WHEN YOU FINISH YOUR LUNCH, FEEL FREE TO VISIT YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM.

THURSDAY, MARCH 8TH

**FRIDAY, MARCH 9TH
EARLY RELEASE FOR SPRING BREAK**

Motion made by Trustee Soltero to approve the Texas Public School Weeks Resolution. Motion seconded by Trustee Hotze and passed with a unanimous vote.

Mr. Boggess did add that there will be a junior high track meet on March 8 and a high school track meet on Friday March 9th.

APPROVE SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 2012-2013

Scotty Carman reviewed the calendar start dates, holidays, etc. with the board members. 2012 school year will begin on Monday, August 27, 2012 and will have 82 days in the semester ending with semester finals on December 21, 2012. There will be two full weeks for Christmas Break. Spring Semester will begin on January 7 and end on May 31st for graduation. Spring Break will be March 11-15, 2013. There will be 98 days in the Spring Semester. Early Release Dates for the calendar year will be November 21st, March 8, District Track, Area Track, and 2 TBD.

Motion made by Trustee Soltero to approve the school calendar for 2012-2013. Motion seconded by Trustee Slaughter and passed with a unanimous vote.

Mr. Boggess told the board we will be competing with bigger schools in the 2013 Spring Sports. In Football, we will have four teams; McCamey, Iraan, Van Horn, and Wink with two extra of possibly Ft. Hancock and El Paso Davinci.

CALL FOR 2012 TRUSTEE ELECTION

We need to establish the following criteria:

Date: May 12, 2012

With Whom: Hold in conjunction with the City of Wink

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| Wink Election Judge: | Tammie Lujan | 527-3365 |
| Wink alternate Judge: | Grace Kemp | 527-3352 |

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| Mentone Election Judge: | Dustin Burrows | 377-2441 |
| Mentone Alternate Judge: | Tina Powers | |

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| Wink Absentee Clerks: | Holly Bryan Grace Harrison Mary Dodd Shari Shackelford | |
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| Mentone Absentee Clerk: | Dustin Burrows | 377-2441 |
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Grace Harrison recommended that we ask this list of judges and clerks to help us out this year.

The election judge in each community receives a \$30.00 bonus for being in charge in addition to the \$8.00 per hour, which is paid to all alternates and Clerks. The Wink absentee staff is not compensated because it is done during regular working hours that they are on our payroll.

We need to call the election by resolution to elect board members by position.
Position 6-Larry Antley and Position 7-Brad White.

Filing to run for positions 6 and 7 will begin on February 4th and March 5th. Early voting will begin on April 30th and end on May 8th.

Grace Harrison went over the election dates with the board.
Motion made by Trustee Slaughter to call for the 2012 Trustee Election.
Motion seconded by Trustee Hotze and passed with a unanimous vote.

APPROVE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

Greg Rogers was on hand to go over the Emergency Operations Plan with the

board members. He said we need to have plans in place for tornadoes, fires, etc. The plan needs board approval. He was part of a round table discussion with fire department, EMT's, Sheriff's office, etc. He said we lacked communication with the sheriff's office and DPS, so we ordered a radio system. The board president will sign the plan and one will be kept in the Superintendent's office, principal's offices and the Computer Lab. A summary of the EOP will be in every classroom.

Motion made by Trustee Antley to approve the Emergency Operations Plan.

Motion seconded by Trustee White and passed with a unanimous vote.

APPROVE PURCHASE OF ATTENDANCE CREDITS

Mr. Benham handed out a copy of the school district State Aid Reports for the board members perusal. The preliminary amount of recapture changed in a 24 hour period from \$10.3 million to \$9,165, 861. We will begin making payments on February 15 of 1.3 million until August 15th. We will receive \$1.6 million back from the state in August. He told the board we need to approve the purchase of attendance credits.

Motion made by Trustee Antley to approve the purchase of attendance credits.

Motion seconded by Trustee Soltero and passed with a unanimous vote.

CONSIDER SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING EMPLOYMENT AND CONTRACT STATUS OF ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL ON TWO-YEAR CONTRACTS, PRINCIPALS EDDIE BOGGESS AND SCOTTY CARMAN, ATHLETIC DIRECTOR ANDY HRNCIR, BAND DIRECTOR BRAD ROBERTS (TEXAS GOVT CODE 551.074)

On this page, you will find a list of employees to consider the status of their contracts. Personnel evaluations will be available at the meeting.

| NAME | POSITION | LENGTH OF CONTRACT |
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| Eddie Boggess | High School Principal | 217 Days |
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| Scotty Carman | Elementary Principal | 217 Days |
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| Andy Hrncir | Athletic Director | 207 Days |
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| Brad Roberts | Band Director | 202 Days |

Mr. Benham told the board that he recommends extending contracts of the individuals listed through June 2014. Salaries will be set at June Salary Schedule time with a 2-3% raise.

Mr. Benham told the board that we can either vote on these individually or as a group.

Motion made by Trustee Hotze and seconded by Trustee Antley. Trustee Soltero said she wanted to vote on them individually. The motion was already on the table. Motion passed with a 5-1 vote. Trustee Soltero opposed saying she wanted to vote on the contracts individually.

ADJOURNMENT

Declaration to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. on motion by Trustee Slaughter and seconded by Trustee Brewer. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Attest:

_____ Secretary

_____ Board President

