

UNION HILL ISD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 6, 2014
6:00 P.M.

Members Present:

Mary Gipson	Jackie Johnston	Sheila Johnson
James Grunden	Chuck Montgomery	
James Parker	Bobbie Mauk	

Members Absent

(none)

AGENDA:

- I. Meeting opened at 6:04 P.M. Prayer: Bobbie Mauk

- II. Guests present were: Joe Jones, Coach; Mary Beth Johnson, Community Member; Mike Spencer, Commissioner Pct 4; Judge Dean Fowler; Cynthia Ridgeway, Republican Party; Philip Williams; Gilmer Mirror, Velma Clay, Teacher

Coach Jones told the board that he wishes to organize a basketball camp for grades 3-11 during the summer of 2014. Cost would be approx \$20.00 per child and they would attend 3 mornings during the weeklong camp. Don Eddy, trainer would conduct the camp.

- III. Minutes from the previous meeting on February 13, 2014 were presented and reviewed.

A motion by Mary Gipson and a second by Chuck Montgomery to approve minutes from February 13, 2014 as read. Motion carries unanimously.

IV. Items:

1. Mary Beth Johnson, Mike Spencer, Commissioner and Judge Fowler were here to address the school board on their wishes to move the polling place for this precinct to another location. Safety of the students is the primary reason for wanting to move the polling place. Ms. Johnson informed the board that she had approached the members of Oak Hill Baptist Church and they voted to allow the church to be a polling place. The church has more than adequate parking and is handicapped accessible. Judge Fowler told the board that if the polling place is moved to the church, then all board elections would also have to be held there in conjunction with the county elections. Commissioner Spencer said the positives of moving the election far out weighed the negatives. This issue would have to be placed on a meeting agenda of the Commissioner's Court and voted on for it to be

moved. It is too late for the May 2014 election but can be done prior to the November 2014 election.

2. Judge Dean Fowler talked with the board concerning the land in West Texas which Upshur County schools receive money from annually called Upshur County Available Funds. The monies come from surface rights only. Judge Fowler addressed the Permanent School Fund which is part of the mineral rights from wells drilled in the 1960's. He further explained that there was approx 1.3 million dollars in the permanent school fund that could be dispersed to the Upshur County Schools according to an ADA calculation that is done for available funds. He explained the Superintendent's from each school would need to petition the Commissioner's Court to distribute these funds.

A motion by Mary Gipson and second by Chuck Montgomery to give Supt. Richardson the authority to petition the Commissioner's Court to disperse these funds to the districts. Motion carries unanimously.

3. Ms Velma Clay addressed the board concerning the CX Debate competition in Austin, TX. She explained that she had (4) students that would be going. They will be leaving on Sunday morning March 9, 2014 and returning no later than Wednesday, March 12, 2014 depending on how they place in competition. Cost of the trip will be approximately \$1,800.00.

A motion by James Grunden and second by Mary Gipson to allow Ms. Clay to take the students to Austin for an overnight trip to participate in the CX Debate competition. Motion carries unanimously.

4. Supt. Richardson informed the board that we would like to apply for the TASB Risk Management Grant to use for bus security cameras. The total allocation we can apply for is \$4,000.00

A motion by Mary Gipson and second by Sheila Johnson upon the recommendation of Supt. Richardson to apply for the TASB Risk Management Grant. Motion carries unanimously.

5. Revenue and Expenditure Reports were given to the board on the gates and concession stands for Volleyball, Football and Basketball for the 2013-14 season.
6. Supt. Richardson informed the board there was no action necessary on the Board of Directors for Region VII because the candidates were unopposed.

SUPERINTENDENT'S INFORMATION REPORT

Information on the following items was sent home in monthly board packets. All items were open for further discussion during the meeting.

- 1. District Enrollment Supt. Richardson reported that student enrollment was Elem 184 HS 134 Dist 318

- 2. PEIMS Pid Error Rate Supt. Richardson informed the board that our PEIMS Pid was in compliance. She thanked the school secretaries for working to monitor this report closely.

- 3. Elementary/HS Benchmark Assessment Reports Both campuses are continuing assessment to monitor progress for upcoming tests. Some tests show much needed improvement. Tutorial sessions are being offered daily in morning and afternoon. Five seniors will retake the TAKS test needed for graduation.

- 4. Career and Technical Educational Corp.

- 5. USDA Food Distribution Program

VI. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- 1. Accounts Payable \$ 92,685.92

- 2. Tax Collection \$ 750,177.25

- 3. Investment Report \$1,932,949.64

- 4. Cash Flow Sheet Will review Feb/March at April meeting. Early March meeting made it impossible to have all info available.

A motion by Chuck Montgomery and second by Mary Gipson to approve the financial reports. Motion carries unanimously.

VII. The board convened into closed session at 7:35 p.m. under Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code (TEC 551.074/TEC 551.075).

VIII: The board reconvened into open session at 9:18 p.m. to take possible action on items discussed in closed session.

A motion by Bobbie Mauk and second by Chuck Montgomery to extend Supt. Richardson's contract for 1-yr for the 2014-15 school year. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion by Mary Gipson and second by Sheila Johnson on the recommendation of Supt. Richardson to extend Brad Watson's contract for Elementary Principal for 1-year for the 2014-15 school year. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion by Chuck Montgomery and second by James Grunden on the recommendation of Supt. Richardson to extend Jason Crow's contract for High School Principal for 1-year for the 2014-15 school year. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion by Chuck Montgomery and second by Mary Gipson to accept the resignation of Lillie Neely from her teaching position effective June 6, 2014. Motion carries unanimously.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

A motion by James Grunden and second by Chuck Montgomery to adjourn the meeting on Thursday, March 6, 2014 at 9:25 p.m. Motion carries unanimously.

James Parker, Board President

Jackie Johnston, Board Secretary