

UNION HILL ISD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 14, 2013
6:00 P.M.

Members Present:

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

AGENDA:

I. Meeting opened at 6:00 P.M. Prayer: Sheila Johnson

II. Guests present were: Jason Crow and Brad Watson, Campus Principals' and Nathanael Carter, Coach; Hilda Nelms, Caft. Supervisor; Donald Sinquefield, Maintenance Transportation Director; Mr & Mrs. Mark Duffey and Keri Downs, Community Members.

Open Forum: Mark Duffey addressed the board with concerns he and Mrs. Duffey have about supervision and safety for students during the school day and during the morning when students are being brought to school.

III. Minutes from the previous meetings on October 10, 2013 were presented and reviewed.

A motion by Mary Gipson and a second by Chuck Montgomery to approve minutes from October 10, 2013 as read. Motion carries unanimously.

IV. Items:

1. Coach Nathaneal Carter addressed the board concerning the 2013 football season. He told them he and the other coaches decided to forfeit the two remaining district games of the season due to the fact they only had 14 remaining players to finish season and the risk of injury was so great. He felt the safety of the athletes was more important than finishing the season. He also recommended to the board that we play 6 man football for the next two years for team building purposes and to see if our numbers would increase.

A motion by James Grunden and second by Mary Gipson on the recommendation of Coach Carter to play 6 -man football for the next two years 2014-15 and 2015-16 keeping all other sports the same. Motion carries with (6) votes for and (1) Bobbie Mauk against.

2. Hilda Nelms, Cafeteria Supervisor, addressed the board about their upcoming audit on November 20, 2013. She also informed the board about two charges for last year's lunches that she cannot collect.
3. Jason Crow and Brad Watson, Campus Principals reviewed their campus plans and minor changes made to them.

A motion by Mary Gipson and a second by James Grunden to approve the campus plans as presented by the campus principals. Motion carries unanimously.

4. Superintendent Richardson and Brad Watson, Elementary Principal, informed the board we needed to apply for a class-size waiver for grade 3 since we had (27) students to (1) teacher. They said that even though another teacher was not budgeted for this class, that it was necessary to employ a second teacher at the beginning of the second semester to split this class.

A motion by Mary Gipson and second by Sheila Johnson to approve employment for a grade 3 teacher for the second semester of 2013-14 to split grade 3 as discussed. Motion carries unanimously.

5. Superintendent Richardson reviewed Board Policy Update 98 with the board and the changes to the policy. She explained it was the first of two updates following the 23rd legislative session.

A motion by Sheila Johnson and second by Mary Gipson to approve Board Policy Update 98 as presented and reviewed by Superintendent Richardson. Motion carries unanimously.

6. Superintendent Richardson presented the names of those candidates up for election to the Upshur and Wood County Appraisal District Boards.

A motion by James Grunden and second by Mary Gipson to cast Union Hill's votes for Jared Maddox for Upshur County and Garry Little John for Wood County. Motion carries unanimously.

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 180 HS 138 Dist 318

2. Commissioner of Education:
Michael Williams' Campus Visit
Supt. Richardson reported to the board on the November 1, 2013 visit of Michael Williams. She expressed she was extremely grateful to all faculty and staff and students for their help in preparing for his visit and for helping make it a huge success.

3. Notice to Employees:
Affordable Care Act
The board was informed that our employees had been sent the notice required on the Affordable Care Act

4. Basketball Schedules
Superintendent Richardson reviewed the basketball schedules for this year.

5. Union Hill ISD--Student Organizations
Superintendent Richardson reviewed student organizations and programs

6. FAST Rating
Superintendent Richardson reviewed the FAST rating which is posted online. She informed the board that Union Hill compared well to state standards in all areas.

7. PTC Revenue/Expenditure Report
Keri Downs, PTC president gave a report on the revenues and expenditures following the recent Yamboree fund raiser. Their revenues were \$8,693.00 and expenses \$2,521.76
She said they planned to give each campus \$1,500.00 to spend as

needed. To hold some money to assist the float for next year and retain funds to start next year's fund raiser.

8. Maintenance/Transportation

Mr. Sinquefield reported to the board about repairs being made to Bus #1 to keep it operable. The bus only has 68,000 miles but the engine must be replaced. Approx \$8,000.00 of work in this accounts payable has already been done with another \$18,000 - \$22,000.00 needed. He also discussed plans to repair greenhouse and reported on upgrades made to waster water plant. It is now fully automated and TCEQ compliant.

VI. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

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| 1. Accounts Payable | \$ 184,325.40 |
| 2. Tax Collection | \$ 139,470.62 |
| 3. Investment Report | \$2,160,963.63 |
| 4. Cash Flow Sheet | Reviewed |

A motion by Bobbie Mauk 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 551.074/551.075)

VIII. The board reconvened into Open Session at 7:55 p.m. on Thursday, November 14, 2013 to take possible action on items discussed in closed session.

A motion by Mary Gipson and second by Sheila Johnson to accept resignation of Lloyd Catlett as teacher effective January 17, 2014. Motion carries unanimously.

IX. A motion by James Grunden and second Chuck Montgomery to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m. on November 14, 2013. Motion carries unanimously.

James Parker, Board President

Jackie Johnston, Board Secretary

