

August 14, 2008  
Henrietta, Texas

The Board of Trustees of the Henrietta Independent School District met to hold a public hearing to discuss the 2008-2009 budget and the proposed tax rate at 7:30 p.m. followed by a regular meeting at in the Administration Building, 1801 East Crafton, Henrietta, Texas.

The following members were present: Kelly Beeler, Rex Taylor, Danny Kelton, Billy Johnson, Lanny Evans, Mike Campbell and Paul Bennett

Employees attending: Jeff McClure, Joy Hicks, Scot Clayton, Gary Parrish, Randy Zamzow, Kendra Bennett, Byron West, Quana West, Kristin Lennon and Lori Cochran

The following guests were present: Phil Major, Glenda Ramsey, Kevin Darnell and Pan McKay

Public Hearing – no questions or comments were presented.

010808 The meeting was called to order by Rex Taylor, President of the Board of Trustees.

020808 Invocation was given by Lanny Evans.

030808 There was no one desiring to address the board.

040808 Construction Report: Glenda Ramsey and Kevin Darnell reviewed the progress of the construction and presented pictures of work.

050808 Public hearing for expenditure of Title I Funds

060808 A motion was made by Billy Johnson and seconded by Kelly Beeler to approve Title I for 2008-2009 as presented. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

070808 A motion was made by Billy Johnson and seconded by Danny Kelton to adopt the current version of “Rebel Rouser” as arranged by Howard Raeke as the official fight song of the Henrietta Bearcats. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

080808 Administration Report

Elementary Principal – Kendra Bennett reported that all teachers have moved back into their rooms and are working hard to put the finishing touches in their classrooms. Mrs. Bennett encouraged board members to come and see the transformation. Enrollment went well today. There were several students enrolling from Wichita Falls Christian School. Upcoming Events: August 21<sup>st</sup> – Meet the Teacher; August 25<sup>th</sup> – Bus Safety Training; August 28<sup>th</sup> – Parent Orientation for Head Start-1<sup>st</sup> graders; September 2<sup>nd</sup> – Parent Orientation for 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> graders; September 5<sup>th</sup> – Grandparents’ Day Breakfast. TAKS results were presented along with a plan of action.

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Middle School Principal – Quana West reported that the remodel is almost complete in the science wing. Furnishings have been moved back into the classrooms and are ready for the start of school. The new addition is really taking shape and we are looking forward to the move. Carpets have been steamed cleaned and all the floors have been waxed. The new tile in the buildings looks great. Textbooks have been sorted and are ready to go. Student registration was today. It was fun to see all the incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders looking for their room and trying to figure out the locker combinations. We are excited to start the new school year and continue the education process with our students. TAKS results were presented and a plan of action was explained.

High School Principal – Gary Parrish reported about the activities at the high school. Staff will have to make some adjustment due to the construction on campus. The new motto for this school year is “It is what it is”. Mr. Parrish also reviewed TAKS results and proposed a plan of action.

Assistant Superintendent – Scot Clayton presented District wide TAKS results

Superintendent – Jeff McClure handed out an articles regarding Steroid Testing. Of the 10, 000 students tested in the State of Texas, only two were positive for steroid use. Mr. McClure expressed thanks and appreciation to custodians, grounds, administrators and all of those who contributed time to get things in shape and ready for the upcoming school year.

#### 090808 Consent Agenda Items

090808.1 Minutes of the July 17<sup>th</sup> board meeting were approved as presented by consent of the board.

090808.2 The July tax report was approved as presented by consent of the board.

090808.3 Payment of the bills was approved as presented by consent of the board.

100808 A motion was made by Mike Campbell and seconded by Rex Taylor to levy or set the tax rate on \$100 valuation for the District for the current tax year at a total tax rate of \$1.31, to be assessed and collected by the duly specified assessor and collectors as follows: \$1.04 for the purpose of maintenance and operation, and \$0.27 for the purpose of payment of principal and interest on debts. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

110808 A motion was made by Billy Johnson and seconded by Lanny Evans to designate the Superintendent and Campus Administrators as attendance officers. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

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120808 A motion was made by Billy Johnson and seconded by Mike Campbell to accept the 2008-2009 Clay County Appraisal District Budget as presented. The motion carried. The vote 6-0-1, Kelly Beeler abstained.

130808 The board was given a District Financial Report by Joy Hicks, HISD Business Manager.

130808.1 There were no amendments to the budget.

Board member, Lanny Evans was unable to attend the reminder of the meeting.

140808 Rex Taylor, President of the Board of Trustees called the board into executive session at 9:53 p.m. to discuss personnel, approve substitute teachers for 2008-2009.

The board adjourned from executive session at 10:15 p.m.

150808 There were no resignations.

160808 A motion was made by Danny Kelton and seconded by Billy Johnson to approve the 2008-2009 substitute teacher list as presented. The motion carried. The vote 5-0-1, Rex Taylor abstained.

170808 Meeting adjourned. (Time 10:18 p.m.)