

December 8, 2011
Henrietta, Texas

The Board of Trustees of the Henrietta Independent School District met in a regular meeting December 8, 2011, 7:30 p.m. in the Administration Building, 1801 East Crafton, Henrietta, Texas.

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

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

011211 The meeting was called to order by Billy Johnson, President of the Board of Trustees.

021211 Invocation was given by Danny Kelton.

031211 There was no one desiring to address the board.

041211 Administration Report of Student Activities and Events

041211.1 Elementary Principal – Kendra Bennett handed out newsletter and told about upcoming events. HES was UIL Champions for the 10th year in a row. Congratulations to all the teachers and students who participated and represented our school so well. We are currently in 3rd place in the Sikes Senter Mall “My School’s Cool” contest.

041211.2 Middle School Principal – Quana West distributed newsletters to board members. Tonight was the Christmas concert at the High School auditorium. The JH band had winterguard auditions last week. Thirty-six are participating. There will be two groups, an “A” and “B”. They will be performing in the spring. The 6th, 7th and 8th grade band students combined and marched in the Christmas Parade last Saturday night. This was the first time for the 6th graders to get to march and they especially seemed to enjoy it. Several students participated in the Patriots Pen essay contest submitting essays along with other Clay County 6-8 graders. Katelyn Bowles’ essay placed 1st and has been submitted to the state level for further competition. Several students have donated time to our local mission. The JH Honor Society and Mrs. West have also worked at the mission. In UIL Academic competition last week, we finished in second place overall. Looking forward to next year and anticipating having more students involved.

041211.3 High School Principal – Gary Parrish distributed the second issue of the “Catawampus” to board members. Six HHS students auditioned and qualified for the All-Region Band last week. Riley Mathews and Ivy Noack were awarded 1st chair. Patrick Riordan and Trevor Roop received 2nd chair. All four of these students qualified for Area and will audition for the All-State Band on January 7, 2012 in Argyle. Both basketball teams have been in tournament play. The Bearcats won their bracket at the Fantasy of Lights Tournament on Thanksgiving weekend.

041211.4 Assistant Superintendent – no report

041211.5 Superintendent's Report – Board members were given DVDs and a report on Board Training. Mr. McClure stated that all board members have adequate training hours. Board Members were invited to the Employee Appreciation Reception on Thursday, December 16th, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mr. McClure presented enrollment numbers from first day of school to current. There has been some loss of enrollment, but there is no specific reason. He stated that the bands are doing so well; the sound quality is really good. Band Directors and the Band Booster Club are to be commended for their work with the students. Kenneth Gilbreath has been nominated for the UIL Sponsor Excellence Award.

051211 Consent Agenda Items:

051211.1 The minutes of the November 10th board meeting were approved as presented by consent of the board.

051211.2 Payment of the bills were approved as presented by consent of the board.

051211.3 The November Tax report was approved as presented by consent of the board.

061211 A motion was made by Penny Riordan and seconded by Danny Kelton to authorize the Guidelines for Off-Campus P.E. Credit. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

071211 A motion was made by Mike Campbell and seconded by Kelly Beeler to approve the Multi-Regional Purchasing Coop Agreement as presented. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

081211 A motion was made by Danny Kelton and seconded by Penny Riordan to approve TASB Board Policy Updates 91 & 92 as presented. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

091211 A motion was made by Kelly Beeler and seconded by Danny Kelton to adjust the date of the January Board meeting from the 12th to the 19th, due to the Clay County Junior Livestock Show. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

101211 A motion was made by Penny Riordan and seconded by Mike Campbell to approve the changes to the High School Grading Policy as presented. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

111211 The board was given a District Financial Report by Joy Hicks, HISD Business Manager.

111211.1 There were no amendments to the 2011-2012 budget.

121211 There was no executive session.

131211 A motion was made by Danny Kelton and seconded by Paul Bennett to accept the resignation of Townly Christanelli. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

141211 A motion was made by Paul Bennett and seconded by Danny Kelton to extend a contract for employment to David Holbert. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

151211 A motion was made by Penny Riordan and seconded by Mike Campbell to approve addition of Claudia Bates, Angela Klein, Channdra Scott and Annie Sims to the list of 2011-2012 substitute teachers. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

161211 Meeting adjourned. (Time: 8:28 p.m.)