

February 14, 2019
Henrietta, Texas

The Board of Trustees of the Henrietta Independent School District met in a regular meeting February 14, 2019, 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, 1901 E. Crafton, Henrietta, Texas.

The following members were present: Brad Yurcho, Betty Ellsworth, Nala Chambers, Billy Johnson, Paul Bennett, Penny Riordan, Lanny Evans

Employees attending: Jeff McClure, Scot Clayton, Joy Campbell, Brandie Watson, Byron West, Michael Smiley, David Smith, Terry McCutchen, Kristin Lennon

Guest attending: Lezlie Nixon

010219 The meeting was called to order by Lanny Evans, President of the Board of Trustees.

020219 Invocation was given by Lanny Evans.

030219 There was no one desiring to address the board.

040219 A motion was made by Nala Chambers and seconded by Penny Riordan to approve Communities in Schools of Greater Wichita Falls Area proposal with a correction to the typo in Article 6. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

050219 A motion was made by Betty Ellsworth and seconded by Paul Bennett to approve the TASB Update 112 as presented. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

060219 A motion was made by Billy Johnson and seconded by Betty Ellsworth to change the March board meeting date from March 14th to March 21st. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

070219 A motion was made by Paul Bennett and seconded by Penny Riordan to approve West Texas Food Service Cooperative Interlocal Agreement as present. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

080219 The Clay County Joint Election agreement was presented for review. No action was taken.

090219 A motion was made by Nala Chambers and seconded by Billy Johnson to approve the recommendations for Rating of the High School Dual Credit Courses as presented. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

100219 A motion was made by Penny Riordan and second by Paul Bennett to approve the High School Cheerleading Constitution as presented. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

110219 Administration Report of Student Activities and Events

110219.1 Elementary Principal – Kristin Lennon, Assistant Principal, gave the report in the absence of Kendra Bennett. Several students read books off of the Texas Bluebonnet list and were rewarded with a pizza party. Thank you to Mrs. Story for hosting this event. The 100th day of school was celebrated at the end of January. Our appreciation for Mrs. Hoffman was shown this past week during School

Counselor Appreciation week. The High School PALS have been raising money for a clothes closet to help provide for our needy students. Their efforts are very much appreciated, as this is a great need. The Jump Rope for Heart campaign to raise money for the American Heart Association is underway and being led by Mrs. Talley. STAAR Benchmarks for 4th Grade Writing and 5th Grade Math and Reading were administered last week. The Writing STAAR Field test was given to the 4th graders this week. The school bus drivers were honored with small appreciation gifts for going “The Extra Mile”. Valentine’s Day parties were hosted today at HES. Lots of fun was had celebrating with the kids and families. Two of our teachers recently attended the TCEA (Technology) Conference. Mrs. Pennie is currently attending the TMEA (Texas Music Educator Association) Conference. Our upcoming staff development day will be spent with meetings to discuss benchmark results and student interventions and extensions. In addition, we will be attending training for the new absence management system. The Spring Book Fair will begin on February 25th. There will be a CAT Team Meeting on February 27th and a SHAC Meeting on March 6th. We will have another staff development day on March 8th, and Spring Break will be March 11th-15th.

110219.2 Middle School Principal – Terry McCutchen reported that junior high enrollment is currently at 192, with an attendance rate of 96.31%. Sgt. Dan Buesing recently visited the campus and presented a program on drug awareness and current issues facing students. Mrs. Frederick conducted an Escape Room activity this month in her classes and it was enjoyed by the students. Mrs. Browning’s classes did a project over the book *Flowers for Algernon*. Students created works of art depicting flowers. This artwork is now displayed in a trophy case in the main hallway. The Innovative Studies class has been learning about entrepreneurship. Nichole Kirk and Wade Bryant made presentations to the students concerning their businesses. Coach Mayes’ students have been learning about Greece and have completed projects over this topic. The Valentine’s Dance was a huge hit. Benchmark testing will take place on February 19th through March 1st. Track season is upon us. The first scheduled track meet is February 25th in Henrietta. Cheer tryouts will be held on February 22nd and the results will be posted online after 3:30 pm on that day. The 6th and 7th grade awards ceremony will be held at 2:30 pm on May 21st. The 8th grade promotion ceremony will be at 6:00 pm in the high school gym on May 21st.

110219.3 High School Principal – Michael Smiley discussed recent and upcoming events. A Junior Prom parent meeting was recently held. Sgt. Dan Buesing presented a program to students on police interactions and drug awareness on February 1st. We had several calf scramble winners at the Fort Worth Stock Show. We had 8 participants and 8 winners. The All District Band Concert was held on January 19th. Winterguard placed 6th at the Wakeland contest and will compete again at Northwest High School on February 16th. Staff development day will consist of training on the Frontline Absence Reporting system, as well as department meetings to discuss DMAC and the Course Description Guide. A cheerleader tryout meeting is scheduled for February 20th and tryouts will be on March 7th. Other scheduled events and activities include an ASVAB Interpretation Session (Feb. 20), Band UIL Solo/Ensemble Contest (Feb. 23), TSTC Dual Enrollment meeting in Abilene (Feb. 26), Street Smart Student Driving Program (March 25), District UIL One Act Play (March 7), and United Regional Staff Health Fair (March 19). Mr. Smiley also discussed the Course Description Guide.

Athletic Director Byron West reported that the 2018-2019 basketball season has come to an end. Baseball, Softball, Golf, Tennis, Powerlifting and Track have started. We will be hosting some playoff

basketball games at our facilities. Travis Swenson and Tate Sizemore are currently ranked in the top 10 in our region in powerlifting and should advance to the Region meet. Tennis windscreens have been ordered and should be in this week. The 2Words character education program is in and a short presentation over this program was given to the board.

110219.4 Assistant Superintendent – Scot Clayton discussed training with the I Love U Guys Foundation, which is a safety and crisis management program.

110219.5 Superintendent – Jeff McClure discussed TASB resources and the current legislative session. School funding and reducing property taxes are big topics. He suggested that the board members try to stay abreast of these issues.

120219 Consent Agenda Items:

120219.1 Minutes of January 17th board meeting were approved as presented by consent of the board.

120219.2 Payment of the bills was approved as presented by consent of the board.

120219.3 The January Tax report was approved as presented by consent of the board.

130219 Joy Campbell presented the District Financial Report.

130219.1 There were no amendments to the 2018-2019 budget.

140219 A motion was made by Betty Ellsworth and seconded by Nala Chambers to order an election to be held on May 4, 2019, for the purpose of electing School Board Trustees Place One, Place Two and Place Three. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

150219 A motion was made by Paul Bennett and seconded by Penny Riordan to approve the Joint Election Agreement with the City of Henrietta as presented. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

160219 A motion was made by Nala Chambers and seconded by Penny Riordan to appoint election judges as follows: Lori Riggins – Henrietta, Judy Morris – Jolly, Tonja Scheer – Lake Arrowhead, Cathy Mills – Early Voting Clerk. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

170219 A motion was made by Billy Johnson and seconded by Penny Riordan to appoint Lori Riggins and Deputies as Early Voting Ballot Board. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

180219 A motion was made by Betty Ellsworth and seconded by Billy Johnson to canvass the votes from the May 4th election during the regularly scheduled board meeting on May 9th. The motion carried. The vote 7-0.

190219 Lanny Evans, President of the Board of Trustees, called the board into executive session to discuss personnel and Shining Star Nominees at 8:45 p.m.

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The board adjourned from executive session at 9:00 p.m.

200219 There were no resignations.

210219 There were no personnel hired.

220219 Meeting adjourned. (Time 9:01 p.m.)

Presiding Officer

Secretary