

**MINUTES**

The Board of Trustees of the Sweeny Independent School District met in Special Public Hearing Meeting on Monday, August 25, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the All-Purpose Meeting Room of the Administration Building located at 1310 Elm Street, Sweeny, TX. Dr. Garrison called the meeting to order. The Pledges of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags were recited and Dr. Garrison gave the invocation. All Board Members were present except Mr. Mark Gregurek.

The following Board members were present:

Dr. Glenn Garrison, President  
Dr. Jan Reddoch, Vice President  
Donna Bohlar-Schroeder, Secretary  
Peggy Ellis  
Earl Mathis  
Connie McAda

The following Board member was absent:

Mark Gregurek

The following staff members were present:

Randy Miksch, Superintendent  
Dr. Donna Thompson, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum, Federal & Special Programs  
Vincent Strother, Executive Director of Business Services  
Martha Finley, Recording Secretary

Also present for the meeting:

Mark Manley  
Jalyn White-Wick  
Lee Beal  
Jessalyn Pierce  
Tammi Homniok  
Windy Byrd  
Brett Miksch

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC – None

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED SWEENY ISD BUDGET 2014-2015 AND PROPOSED TAX RATE 2014-2015

Dr. Garrison opened the Public Hearing at 6:04 p.m. and read the Board Policy CE (LOCAL) which states how the annual hearing is conducted. He announced three times this meeting was opened to the public. No one from the public came forward (6:05 p.m.).

CONSIDER FINAL AMENDMENT TO 2013-2014 BUDGET

Mr. Strother stated that in accordance with Chapter 44 of the *Texas Education Code* the final amendment to the 2013-2014 budget was to reflect the proposed reclassifications to comply with the Texas Education's Agency *Financial Accounting System Resource Guide*, as well as various realignments in revenue and expenditure accounts to reflect anticipated budget variances.

MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, to approve a final amendment to the 2013-2014 budget as presented at the August 25, 2014 meeting. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

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CONSIDER ORDINANCE SETTING THE 2014 TAX RATE

Mr. Strother presented the information and said the tax rate will remain the same as last year.

MOTION was made by Mr. Reddoch, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, to adopt the attached ordinance setting the 2014 tax rate at \$1.2117 per \$100, with \$1.0400 per \$100 designated for the purpose of maintenance and operations, and \$0.1717 per \$100 designated for the payment of principal and interest on bonded indebtedness. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE SWEENEY ISD BUDGET FOR 2014-2015

Mr. Strother presented the District's budget for 2014-2015 and referred to the summary that was before the Board and in compliance with Section 44.002 through 44.006 of the *Texas Education Code*.

MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. McAda, to adopt the 2014-2015 state compensatory budget included in the proposed revenue and expenditure budgets for the General Fund, Child Nutrition Fund, and Debt Service Fund. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT/RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS - none

2014-2015 SCHOOL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL (SHAC) – Dr. Thompson presented the information with the proposed members listed and said that by law a majority of the membership be parent representatives. Also, the Council will meet in September to address issues before the School Nutrition Audit takes place in November.

MOTION was made by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, seconded by Mr. Ellis, to appoint the representatives listed above to serve as official voting members or consultants to the Student Health Advisory Committee for the 2014-2015 school year. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

DELINQUENT TAX ATTORNEY REPORT – Mr. Strother said this is for information only.

2014 TASA/TASB DELEGATE ASSEMBLY – MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. McAda, to appoint Mark Gregurek to be the alternate to the 2014 TASA/TASB Delegate Assembly, TASA/TASB Convention, convening in the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center Dallas, Texas on September 26 – 28, 2014. All vote aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

SWEENEY ISD BOARD GOALS – SETTING WORKSHOP DATES WITH TASB – MOTION was made by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, I move that the Board schedule a training date on September 23, 2014. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR DIRECTION OF ADMINISTRATION TO MODIFY CLASS RANK AND WEIGHTING OF ELECTIVE CREDITS AND BRING FORTH APPLICATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION - Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder addressed adding (honors athletics) or any other 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> year elective honors credit. Dr. Garrison said that the Board needs to tell Administration formally, that we believe a change needs to occur and give a general outline of the change and then ask Administration, Principals, Counselors, etc. to bring forth proposals with changes then bring back to the Board. Discussion followed. Mrs. McAda is concerned that it be a fair opportunity for everyone. She asked how you would implement it? Mr. Miksch said that we will put the information together and report back to the board. He would also like to see a board member be a part of the committee.

MOTION was made by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, the Administration bring a proposal, as of January, that begins to address the inequities for the weighted class. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

Mr. Brooks asked the Board if someone would sit on the committee with the Planning Council? Connie McAda and Donna Bohlar-Schroeder volunteered.

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Mr. Miksch explained the honors criteria. He also informed the Board that the criteria are listed in the handbook. Discussion followed.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF ART INSTRUCTION CLASSES VERSUS PULLOUT CLASS INSTRUCTION – Mrs. Reddoch said she would like for us to decide whether we can afford to hire an art teacher for the elementary school and then let Mr. Heinroth figure out what to do with it. He knows what is best for his campus. Discussion followed.

MOTION was made by Mrs. Reddoch, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, the Elementary Campus bring a proposal, as of January, of the cost and offsets of Art classes at the Elementary campus. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Miksch said that we had a good start to the school year. Also, the staff did a great job putting together staff development. He met with PBK and Drymalla for updates on projects and they provided several schematics of the projects. The final drawings should be ready by the end of next week. As we go thru these things there is a budget that we have to go by. We need to stay with the amounts that were proposed for each project.

Dr. Garrison said that at the end of your board packet – all future agenda items will be listed and the date that we will try to address them.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

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Dr. Glenn Garrison

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Donna Bohlar-Schroeder