

MINUTES

The Board of Trustees of the Sweeny Independent School District met in Special Session on Monday, February 24, 2014, at 5:30 p.m. in the All-Purpose Meeting Room of the Administration Building located at 1310 Elm Street, Sweeny, TX. Dr. Glenn Garrison called the meeting to order. The Pledges of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags were recited and Dr. Glenn Garrison gave the invocation. All Board Members were present except Mark Gregurek.

The following Board members were present:

Dr. Glenn Garrison, President
Jan Reddoch, Vice President – **arrived 5:34 p.m.**
Donna Bohlar-Schroeder, Secretary
Peggy Ellis
Willie Myles – **arrived 5:35 p.m.**
Earl Mathis

The following Board member was absent:

Mark Gregurek

The following staff members were present:

Randy Miksch, Superintendent
Vincent Strother – Executive Director of Business & Support Services
Michael Saul, Principal, Sweeny Jr. High School
Michael Heinroth, Principal, Sweeny Elementary School
Martha Finley, Recording Secretary

Also present for this meeting:

Lewis Wilks – U. S. Capital
Brett Miksch
Connie McAda
Gigi Gorham – PBK
Anthony Maenza - BCN

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A \$26,000,000 SCHOOL BUILDING BOND ELECTION (MAY 10, 2014) - Mr. Wilks with U. S. Capital presented the Sweeny ISD Tax Rate and Capacity Analysis Report. He stated that we are going with Projects Scenario II, a Series 2014 - \$26,000,000 Bond Issue. The Financing Assumptions are: the delivery date will be 8/1/2014 and the interest rate is 5%. The tax rate does not change and will remain at \$0.1717. Discussion followed.

Mr. Miksch said we feel good that we won't have to raise the tax rate and many of the projects are based on safety issues i.e. – vestibules, having the sports facilities located on school property, food service commodities moving to new building and the JH boys locker room. Discussion continued.

MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mr. Myles, that the Board of Trustees approve the Order Calling a Bond Election to be held by the Sweeny Independent School District, making provision for the conduct of the election, and resolving other matters incident and related to such Election. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

2014-2015 SWEENY ISD CALENDAR PROPOSAL – Mr. Miksch reported that we made the adjustments for the bad weather days. President's Day and the last day of school will be the bad weather make up days.

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2014

MOTION was made by Mrs. Ellis, seconded by Mrs. Reddoch, to approve the attached Sweeny ISD Calendar 2014-2015 as presented and recommended by the Sweeny ISD District Planning Council. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 6:08 p.m.

Section 551.074 For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee.

- Personnel

The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 6:12 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA – MOTION was made by Mr. Myles, seconded by Mr. Mathis, to approve the budget amendment as presented and recommended. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

PERSONNEL-EMPLOYMENTS/RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS – MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, to accept with regrets the retirements of Gary Skubal effective June 6, 2014 and Rayetta Martin effective July 31, 2014; and accept the resignation of Isaac Ramirez effective June 5, 2014 as presented and recommended. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF THE DISTRICT'S GOALS FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR – Dr. Garrison said that he was unable to schedule Mr. Nemir for the goal training since he is no longer traveling. He said that Mr. Koempel would be available to come on either Tuesday, March 25 or Monday, March 31. It was decided that they will schedule the goal training for Tuesday, March 25th at 6:00 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS - Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder asked “do we want to share the Employee Survey results with the teacher”? Dr. Garrison said that was a good idea so they would know that it was completed, that the Board has heard it, and will address it.

Mr. Mathis asked if it would be possible to put a fence at the property line along the back of Jr. High School, so people won't be using that area as a driveway. Mr. Miksch said that he will check into this.

Dr. Garrison suggested as an agenda item next meeting - the Board host a candidates' night at the auditorium and at the same time host an information session for the Bond Issue, prior to the election.

Mr. Miksch informed the Board that the Legislature, in the last session, allowed us to approve teacher contracts 10 days prior to the end of instruction. We will be bringing the teacher contracts that we recommend you approving in March with the exception of some probationary contracts that will be brought to the Board in either April or May.

The meeting was adjourned 6:27 p.m.

Dr. Glenn Garrison

Donna Bohlar-Schroeder