



Board Report

HISD

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

January 11, 2005

Superintendent Comments:

Recognition of School Board Members: January is designated School Board Recognition Month. Mr. Wright recognized all board members for their love for this community, school district, and most importantly the children of Hallsville I.S.D. Mr. Wright thanked the Board for the countless hours of personal time they volunteer for Hallsville I.S.D. The Board's public service is an excellent example for young and old alike of the tradition of volunteerism that is a hallmark of American society. Each campus and the Central Office presented gifts of appreciation to each board member. Tucker Reagan (High School student) recited a tribute in honor of the Board.

Mr. Wright also recognized with appreciation, Coach Roger Adams and the Athletic Department for donating the new purple carpet in the Board Room.

Public Hearing on Financial Integrity Rating System: Hallsville received a FIRST rating of "Superior Achievement" for the 2002-2003 school year data, which is the state's highest rating. This rating shows that Hallsville schools are accountable not only for student learning, but also for achieving these results cost-effectively and efficiently. The district received a Yes on all twenty one indicators. The district FIRST report is available at the administration building for anyone who would like a copy.

Consent Items:

Minutes from the December 14, 2004 Board Meeting, December 2004 Financial Report, and personnel items were approved.

Policy Update 74: The Board approved Policy Update 74 which Includes refinements of existing policies addressing financial impropriety and fraud and the recent shift from health care reimbursement arrangements (HRA's) to supplemental compensation.

Information Items:

Employee Applications On-Line: In order to build the strongest applicant pool possible for Hallsville ISD, the district is developing an on-line application system for prospective employees. Paula Rogers stated that this application is being designed to allow it to be completed by the applicant, submitted to the Personnel office and viewed by the Principals in a secure format.

AEIS and Report Card: Each year the state releases accountability ratings in the form of the Academic Excellence Indicator System. Neta Craig presented this data, which must be made available to the public. The AEIS data is the impetus for the District and Campus Improvement Plans.

Third Six Weeks Attendance Report: Mr. Wright announced that five new school records were set on Hallsville I.S.D. campuses. The district also set a new record. Every campus and the district had a higher attendance rate than the previous year (2003). Mr. Wright said that all campuses and the district are on pace to set all time school records for the year. These records reflect the best attendance in the history of Hallsville I.S.D.

Campus	3rd Six Weeks		
	2004	2003	Record
Primary (EC-K)	*95.9	94.0	95.8
Elementary (1-2)	96.4	95.4	96.5
Intermediate (3-4)	*97.1	96.2	97.0
Middle School (5-6)	*97.1	95.1	96.5
Jr. High (7-8)	*97.2	96.3	96.9
High School (9-12)	*96.6	95.5	96.3
District	*96.7	95.4	96.3

*Indicates School Record



Information Items Cont'd

Superintendent's Annual Evaluation and Contract:
The Board went into closed session to discuss the Superintendent's annual evaluation and contract. The Superintendent's contract will be approved at next months meeting.

Personnel Approved:

Professional:

Cochran, Chris - Teacher/Coach- Jr. High

Resignations:

Collum, Jeff - Teacher/Coach-Jr. High



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