



# Board Report HISD



Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees February 13, 2006

## “Celebrate What’s Right With Hallsville I.S.D.”

### **Recognitions: Bobcat Pride Award**

**Kristen Halbert and Mandy Wellborn:** Both are Hallsville High School Seniors and 4-year Agri-Science students. They have been very active members of the Hallsville FFA Chapter throughout their FFA careers. Both students have made the most of their opportunities for participation in FFA Leadership Development events in the spring and fall. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year for Kristen and Mandy to serve as FFA Chapter Officers. Kristen is currently the Chapter President and Mandy is the Vice- President. Kristen has also served one year as a District FFA Officer, while Mandy is currently an Area FFA Officer. They are very respected cattle exhibitors on the livestock show circuit in Texas. Together, their animal projects have won numerous awards and championship honors in livestock show rings throughout the state.

Agriculture teachers – Jerry Dillard, Don Whyte and Mike Whyte count it a wonderful pleasure to have worked so closely with these highly motivated and talented FFA members. What a great impact they have made and “legacy of leadership” they have created for themselves in our tradition-rich FFA Chapter at Hallsville High School.

### **Consent Items:**

Minutes from the January 9, 2006, Board meeting, December, 2005 and January, 2006 Financial Report and personnel were approved.

**2006-2007 School Calendar:** The Board approved the calendar for the 2006-2007 school year that was recommended by the Calendar Committee. Final approval is required from TEA before the calendar is finalized.

**Proposal for Auditorium Lighting:** The Board approved a proposal for an upgrade to the stage lighting in the High School Auditorium. The proposal from AV Pro, Inc. will provide a digital dimmer control system, add additional lighting fixtures, and repair the stage curtains. This upgrade will benefit programs and performances for all groups that use the auditorium. These improvements are being funded as a part of the District’s ongoing capital improvement program.

**Exemplary Focus:** Each month the Board receives an update of the District’s plan to reach Exemplary status.

- **Primary/Elementary** – Highlights of Primary/Elementary Exemplary Plan presented by Mr. Rusty Clark:
  - Balance Literacy (on-going training for all language arts and SAIL teachers, Grades PK-2)
  - Building a System of Tens (math training for all math teachers, Grades PK-2)
  - Inclusion Classrooms
  - HISD Scope and Sequence
  - Walk-Through Forms
  - Vertical Teaming
  - Evaluate Campus Assessment Plan
  - Daily Classroom Schedules
  - Individual Acceleration Plans
  - Campus-Wide Discipline Plan
  - TAKS Reviews

**Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Report:** Federal Accountability System (Adequate Yearly Progress) report was presented. A 2003-04 and 2004-05 comparison of performance data was given in reading/language arts, mathematics, graduation rate, and attendance. Hallsville I.S.D.'s AYP exceeded the federal standards in all targeted areas.

**Lease/Purchase of Buses:** The Board heard information from Gary Lovelace and Tim Brittain regarding a lease/purchase program for buses. The program would allow the purchase of an additional ten buses that would replace the older 1989-1993 route buses. The district is investigating possible savings by purchasing 2006 models. There is expected to be a significant increase in the cost of the 2007 model buses due to stricter emission standards required by the federal government.

**Call/Order of the 2006 Trustee Election:** The 2006 Trustee Election was called for May 13, 2006. The positions open are Position #3 (Currently held by Pat Anders), Position #4 (Currently held by Howard Hunt), and Position #5 (Currently held by Lee Gaw). The first day to file for a place on the ballot was February 11, 2006. The deadline for filing is 5:00 p.m. on March 13, 2006. Early voting by personal appearance begins May 1, 2006, and ends on May 9, 2006.

**Recognize Board Members Hours of Continuing Education:** Mr. Wright presented the Hours of Continuing Education Report to the Board members. This report is done annually. Mr. Wright complimented the Board on their dedication and commitment to fulfill the requirements to continue their hours of education.

**Capital Improvements:** Four capital improvements were approved by the Board that were recommended by the Capital Improvement Committee.

**Teamwork Makes The Dream Work!**

**Tradition + Pride + Hard Work = Success**

**Bobcat Pride Begins With You**