



Board Report HISD



Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees March 10, 2008

Recognitions:

HISD Elementary and Secondary Teachers of the Year:

Lynne Jones was recognized as Hallsville ISD Elementary Teacher of the Year. Lynne has taught at Hallsville Elementary since 1994.

Martha Dalby was recognized as Hallsville ISD Secondary Teacher of the Year. Martha has taught at Hallsville High School since 1981.

Mr. Wright presented a plaque to both teachers in recognition of **Teacher of the Year** on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

Communication from Superintendent:

Mr. Wright congratulated the Hallsville High School UIL Academic Team for winning **First Place (Sweepstakes)** at the Hallsville Academic Meet. The District 12-4A Academic Meet will be Saturday, March 29, at Hallsville High School.

Mr. Wright announced that **Hallsville Independent School District** received two 2007 TSPRA (Texas School Public Relations Association) **Gold Star Awards** for excellence in school communications. The awards were announced at the Texas School Public Relations Association (TSPRA) Star Awards Celebration on February 19, 2008, during the association's annual conference held in Houston.

Carol Greer was recognized for the **Bobcat Broadcaster** from the newsletter category. Mr. Wright also recognized the Bobcat Broadcaster Proofing Committee which includes: Neta Craig, LaDonna McFadden, Jeannie Brooks, and Brenda Davis.

Tim Brittain was recognized for the **School Bond Election Brochure** from the brochure category.

Consent Items: Minutes from the February 11, 2008, regular board meeting, February 2008 Financial Report and Personnel were approved.

Appointment of Early Voting Clerks and Judges: The May 10, 2008, Board of Trustee Election will be canceled at the next regular board meeting, April 14, 2008, due to both candidates (Place 2 - Jay Nelson and Place 7 - Robert Womack) running unopposed. The Oath of Office will be administered at the May 12, 2008 Board Meeting.

Teachers and other Professional Contracts: The Board approved Teacher and other Professional contracts as presented. Contracts will be forwarded from the Personnel Office to contractual employees this week.

Textbook Adoption: Mathematics textbooks for Grades K-5 were up for adoption this year. All math teachers in grades K-5 served on an Adoption Committee to select math books to be used beginning with the 2008-2009 school year. The following selections were presented to the Board for approval: Bridges for Kindergarten - 5th Grade from The Math Learning Center.

Delivery Methods for Bond: The Board selected the Delivery Methods for new construction projects. The Board approved the hiring of a Construction Manager – At Risk for the Construction of the New High School. The method selected for the construction of the new Elementary School is Competitive Bidding. The administration will begin seeking proposals for Construction Managers and will bring the top recommendations back to the Board for selection.

7th Grade Football: David Plunk presented a proposal to add 7th grade football and basketball to the Athletic Program as an information item only. In our current District 12-4A, Hallsville and Kilgore are the only schools that do not have 7th grade football. In our new 13-4A District, Hallsville and Texas High will be the only schools that do not have 7th grade football.

Capital Improvements: Eighteen (18) capital improvement projects were approved by the Board that were recommended by the Capital Improvement Committee.

Facility Position: The Board approved a new position that will be titled the Director of Facilities Planning and Development. As we move into the planning and implementation of the 2007 bond issue, it has been determined that a position is needed to implement these projects. The position will be for the life of the bond package and this position will be a work agreement rather than an administrative contract.

Attendance 4th Six Weeks: Mr. Wright congratulated the **Middle School, Junior High, and High School** for setting all-time records. The Middle School had the highest attendance rate in the district. Mr. Wright also gave a special recognition to the High School campus for “**shattering**” the High School attendance record!!!

**Hallsville ISD
Attendance Report**

4th Six Weeks

| Campus | 2008 | 2007 | Record |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| Primary (EC-K) | 93.0 | 94.1 | 95.4 |
| Elementary (1-2) | 95.6 | 95.1 | 96.3 |
| Intermediate (3-4) | 95.8 | 96.2 | 96.5 |
| Middle School (5-6) | * 96.2 | 96.1 | 96.1 |
| Jr. High (7-8) | * 95.9 | 95.9 | 95.9 |
| High School (9-12) | * 95.8 | 95.0 | 95.2 |
| District | 95.4 | 95.4 | 95.7 |



***Indicates School Record**

Tradition + Pride + Hard Work = Success!