



Board Report HISD



Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees June 9, 2008

Kayla Jackson: Mr. Wright presented Kayla Jackson (HHS Senior 2008) with a Special Plaque for her significant achievements during her High School career. Mr. Wright highlighted three major areas that make Kayla Jackson very special: 1) A great Christian role model for all students, 2) Leadership, and 3) Work Ethic.

Consent Items: Minutes from the May 12, 2008, regular board meeting, May 2008 Financial Report, Quarterly Investment Report and Personnel were approved.

Junior High and High School Principal: The Board approved the recommendation of Dr. Amber Daub (currently Assistant Principal at Hallsville High School) for the position of Junior High Principal. Mr. Wright said, "We have known that Dr. Daub is a shining star in our HISD Administrative Team and would make an outstanding Principal in our system. Dr. Daub has previously worked in Corpus Christi Cal Allen ISD and Plano ISD, both of whom have reputations as being among the finest school districts in the state of Texas."

The Board approved the recommendation of John Wink (currently Middle School Principal) for the position of High School Principal. Mr. Wright stated, "The Hallsville Middle School campus which John Wink has led the last few years has had the highest TAKS scores of any Middle School in East Texas. **This includes Class 1A through 5A!** The Middle School will be receiving an "Exemplary Rating" this next year from the Texas Education Agency, and has been rated as one of the top Middle Schools in the state of Texas by the organization *Just for Kids*. John Wink is already one of the best Principals already in the state of Texas and we are excited to move his successful leadership to the High School campus." Mr. Wright also said, "Dr. Amber Daub and John Wink are the perfect fit for these two campuses."

Final Attendance Report (2007-2008): Mr. Wright said this was the greatest attendance year in the history of Hallsville Independent School District. Four campuses and the District set all-time attendance records. Mr. Wright complimented the Intermediate, Middle School, Junior High, High School and the District for the **Record-setting year!** The Middle School was the Attendance Champion for the year with a 97.2% rate!

Campus	2008	2007	Record
Primary (EC-K)	94.9	95.1	95.6
Elementary (1-2)	96.4	96.5	96.6
Intermediate (3-4)	*97.1	96.9	97.0
Middle School (5-6)	*97.2	96.9	97.1
Jr. High (7-8)	*96.9	96.9	96.9
High School (9-12)	*96.5	96.1	96.5
District	*96.5	96.4	96.5

* Indicates School Record

TAKS Test Results: Kathy Newsom and Dr. Carla McAvoy presented to the Board the 2008 Preliminary TAKS Test Results. Included in the results were a 12-4A TAKS Comparison, a Longitudinal and Demographic Cohort Analysis and a State Comparison. Mr. Wright was proud to announce in a District 12-4A TAKS Score Comparison that Hallsville ISD was overall TAKS District Champions in Grades 3-11. Mr. Wright also was proud to announce that in Grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, Hallsville grade levels were individual District TAKS Champions. In addition, out of 27 individual TAKS subject areas, Hallsville grade levels were ranked #1 in 19 of those 27 areas. District 12-4A schools are Whitehouse, Pine Tree, Kilgore, Henderson, Marshall, Jacksonville, and Nacogdoches. Mr. Wright thanked the HISD Students, Staff, School Board, Parents, and Community for these outstanding TAKS Scores. Hallsville ISD will have three “Exemplary Campuses” in August!!! The Elementary, Intermediate, and Middle School will receive “Exemplary Ratings”!!!

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Personnel Recommendations: The Board approved the addition of an Assistant Technology Director, a Repair Technician in the Technology Department, and an Assistant Athletic Trainer to the Hallsville ISD.

Extra Curricular Code of Student Conduct: Ninety-nine (99.9%) of public schools in Texas do not have an Extra Curricular Code of Student Conduct. The Board approved the elimination of the Extra Curricular Code of Student Conduct from the Student Handbook for the 2008-2009 school year.

Budget Work Session: The Board reviewed the tax revenue for the current year. The Board discussed salary increases for 2008-2009 and a slight increase in cafeteria food prices.



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