



# Board Report

HISD

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

August 10, 2004

**Recognitions :** **Bobcat Pride Awards** were given to:

**Scott Jewett** - Scott was the first player selected from Hallsville High School to play in the 4A-5A Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association Annual All -Star game. Scott was selected on two first team all-state teams as outfielder. Scott was also recognized as a great student who scored a 31 on his ACT and a 1390 on the SAT.

**Scott Mitchell** - Coach Mitchell was recognized for the Hallsville Baseball Team making the play-offs for three consecutive years and winning the District Championship the past two years. Coach Mitchell has been named coach of the year in 2002, 2003, and 2004.

## **Action Items:**

### 1) *Consent Items:*

Minutes from July 13, 2004, and July 29, 2004, meeting and personnel items were approved.

2) Budget Amendments were approved.

3) The date of Tuesday, August 31, 2004, was scheduled for a public meeting to approve the 2004-2005 budget and set the proposed tax rate for 2004-2005.

4) The 2004-2005 Stipend Schedule was presented to the board by Dr. Parramore. The schedule remained the same; however, the administration plans to review the District U.I.L. Academic Program, to include increased stipends to compensate the sponsors of U.I.L. academic events. Mr. Wright said he would like to see more emphasis placed on U.I.L. academic competitions. Mr. Wright would like to see our U.I.L. academic teams competing for the District Championship every year at all campuses. He also wants to begin competing at the lower grades to establish a strong U.I.L. academic foundation! Mr. Wright said competing in U.I.L. academics is just as important as any other extracurricular activity.

5) Dr. Parramore presented to the Board the Appraisal Calendar and appraisers. The board approved the calendar for the 2004-2005 school year, according to the district policy and the Texas Professional Development Appraisal System requirements.

6) The board approved Olympic Waste System's proposal for the 2004-2006 school years. This is a 2 year contract and was based on past performance with Olympic Waste and best value to the district.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

1) Mr. Ted Estep gave an update on the CATE lab. He stated that all is going well. There are minor completions being made in the technical and mechanical areas, but will be completed when school begins. Mr. Lovelace then gave a brief update on turf. He stated that contractors have begun laying turf at Bobcat Stadium. Mr. Lovelace also stated the stadium should be ready by September 1st. He said, "We are hopeful we're going to be pretty well on target".

2) The district received the Notice of Grant Awards for the Carl Perkins, Title 1, Part C Grant. The amount awarded this year is \$36,377. This grant is used for the Career and Technology program.

3) Information was presented by Tim Brittain, on the status of refunding the 1996 bonds. The district has locked in an interest rate of 3.99% which will lower the Interest and Sinking tax rate from 15.5 cents to about 12.9 cents, a decrease of 2.6 cents.



## Cont'd Information Items

4) The board reviewed the 2004-2005 budget which has an estimated \$28 million in expenditures. The budget includes step increases for teachers with a guaranteed \$500 minimum increase. The board gave consensus to a 3 percent increase to the midpoints of the three salary schedules as an inflationary adjustment. Hourly employees, paraprofessionals, and administrators will receive a 3 percent increase based on the new midpoint. The Chapter 41 recapture payment (Robin Hood) will increase to \$2.1 million, but could increase to over \$2.5 million next year because of increased property values. The total tax rate would decrease by 3 cents per \$100 of valuation.

## Personnel Approved

### Paraprofessional:

Susan Crumpton - LVN, Primary School

Lisa Sides - Classroom Assistant, Primary School

Barry Higginbotham - Hall Monitor, High School



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**Teamwork Makes The Dream Work!**  
**Tradition + Pride + Hard Work = Success**