



Board Report HISD



Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees – September 11, 2006

Recognitions: Bobcat Pride Award

Eve Ford, Principal at Hallsville Junior High, was recognized for being named Principal of the Year in Region VII by the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals. Mr. Wright said, “Eve Ford is an “**Exemplary Principal**” with a genuine, daily concern for all students and employees on her campus.”

Communication from the Superintendent:

46th Annual TASB/TASA Convention: This convention will be in Houston, Texas, on October 6-8, 2006, at the George R. Brown Convention Center.

Student Crusade: Brother Steve Cochran presented information about the Community Student Crusade that will be sponsored by Hallsville community churches. The crusade will run from September 17-20, 2006. Hallsville ISD is providing the site and facilities, located next to the High School gymnasium, for the crusade.

Special Prayer and Moment of Silence in Remembrance of September 11, 2001: Mr. Wright shared information with the Board on how Hallsville ISD honored the memory of September 11, 2001. Mr. Wright led a moment of silence and Brother Steve Cochran said a special prayer in remembrance of September 11, 2001.

Ladycats Volleyball Team: Mr. Wright proudly announced to the Board that the **Ladycat Varsity Volleyball Team** defeated **Pine Tree**, ending that school's 83 consecutive district match winning streak. The volleyball team and Coach Cheryl Bell will be recognized with Bobcat Pride Awards at the October 9th Board Meeting. We are **proud** of the **Ladycats** and **Coach Bell!!!**

Special Video Highlighting Kindergarten and High School Graduation: This special video was shown to the School Board to remind everyone that 559 employees shape the lives of our students everyday from Kindergarten to High School Graduation.

Special Video – The Exemplary Road: This special video was shown to the School Board to focus on the Hallsville ISD “**Exemplary Goal**”. Mr. Wright reminded everyone that **student achievement** is the **#1 priority** at Hallsville ISD.

Consent Items:

Minutes from the August 14, 2006, regular board meeting, and August 29, 2006, special board meeting, and personnel were approved.

Quarterly Investment Report: The Board received the Quarterly Investment Report for the period of June 1, 2006, through August 31, 2006. The current investment balance for the Maintenance & Operations account is valued at just over \$9 million. These investments will provide funds for the district until the collection of property taxes begins in December 2006.

Investment Policy Annual Review: It is a requirement that the Board review the Investment Policy, CDA (Local), on an annual basis and make any changes as necessary. No changes were made to the policy at this time.

Fuel Bids for the 2006-2007 School Year: Proposals were sent to thirteen vendors for the District Fuel contract. Three companies submitted proposals in response. The Board approved Velvin Oil to be the fuel vendor for the period of October 15, 2006, through October 15, 2007.

Bus Bids for the 2006-2007 School Year: The Board approved the purchase of three 71 passenger route buses from Longhorn Bus Sales in Longview, Texas. The recommendation from administration was based on past performance and company reputation.

Enrollment / Class Size Ratios: The Board heard information regarding the class size ratios for grades PK through 4th. No action was taken based on the current enrollment numbers.

Engineer for Track Project: The Board approved Sports Engineering Technologies, Inc. (SET) to provide Civil Engineering Services for the Track Reconstruction Project. SET is the only Licensed Civil Engineering Firm servicing the Texas, Louisiana, and Arkansas area that specializes exclusively in the planning, design and project management of Synthetic Track Projects.

Open Records / Meetings Training: All School Board Members are required to complete the Open Meetings Training and Open Records Training by January 2007. The Board completed the Open Records Training and received the Certificate of Completion.



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Bobcat Pride Begins With You!

Tradition + Pride + Hard Work = Success!