



Board Report

HISD

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

December 14, 2004

Action Items:

B) Consent Items:

Minutes from November 9, 2004, November 2004 Financial Report, and personnel items were approved.

Quarterly Investment Report - Was approved by the Board.

Budget Amendments - Was approved by the Board.

Consider Engagement for the Education of Non-Resident Students - The Board approved the Engagement Agreement with Kilgore ISD for the 2004-2005 school year. The purpose of the agreement is to enable the district to reduce its wealth per weighted resident student to a level that is no longer greater than the equalized wealth level determined by the Commissioner of Education. Hallsville ISD will be sending its Chapter 41 recapture payment to Kilgore ISD rather than the Texas Education Agency and will receive additional discounts due to this agreement. Option number four of Chapter 41 was approved by the voters of the district in May of 2003.

C) Athletic Director/ Head Football Coach - The Board approved a change of duties for Roger Adams and David Plunk. Roger Adams will serve as Assistant Athletic Director and will serve as an Assistant Principal at the High School. David Plunk will serve as Athletic Director and will serve as the new Head Football Coach.

D) CATE Director - The Board approved a change of duties for Neta Craig and Julie Wiersig. Neta Craig will remain as Curriculum Director and will serve as the new CATE Director. Julie Wiersig will remain as Assistant Principal at the High School with changed job assignments and will serve as CATE Campus Coordinator.

E) Audit Report - The Board heard the audit report for the year ending August 31, 2004, from the audit firm of Knuckols, Duvall, Hallum & Co. Mike Hallum reported that the audit was an unqualified opinion or a clean audit report. The ending fund balance was just over six million dollars with the original budgeted deficit being decreased by over two hundred thousand dollars than originally anticipated. This represents a good utilization of resources by the district. It was also reported that the total tax collections for the year were at a 99.81% collection rate which is an excellent rate.

F) Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Report- Preliminary 2004 AYP results have been released. An appeal is recommended due to the 1% cap and the baseline SDAA data. The AYP Federal Requirements are as follows:

- Federal 1% cap: The number of students passing either SDAA below enrolled grade level or LDAA cannot exceed 1% of the total number of students tested within the district; students exceeding the 1% cap are automatically counted as failers in the subject area performance measure, regardless of actual performance.

- SDAA baseline exemption: AYP criteria require that students taking a baseline SDAA test with no ARD expectations be automatically counted as failers in the subject area performance measure.

- LEP Mathematics exemption: LEP-exempt students in the U.S. schools longer than one year who tested on a released TAKS Mathematics test are automatically counted as failers in the Mathematics performance measure.

G) Turf Project Completion and D-Zone Areas- Gary Lovelace discussed nine items to be completed to finish the turf project at Bobcat Stadium.

H) Resurfacing of Track Under Warranty- Information provided by Trackmasters on the resurfacing of the track was discussed. This will be of no cost to the district because the track is still under warranty.



l) Update on Sound System at High School Auditorium - Mike Stanfield gave a verbal update on the sound system completion at the High School auditorium. The sound system should be completed on December 22, 2004. The final quality check will be on January 5, 2005.

Personnel Approved:

Professional:

Deanna Greene - Chemistry/IPC Teacher- High School

Resignations:

Roger Adams - Head Football Coach

Beth Goodwin - CATE Director

Nolan Tomme - Biology Teacher - High School

Paraprofessional:

Petrice Rummel - Special Ed. Classroom Assistant



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Christmas and a blessed
New Year!*



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