



CISD BOARD REPORT

A Summary of the Board of Trustees Meeting

October 5th & October 19th

The Board of Trustees of the Corsicana Independent School District had a workshop on October 5, 2015 and a regular session meeting on October 19, 2015. The meetings were called to order by Rev. Monk, President of the Board of Trustees. Sam Houston Elementary Students Led the Pledge and Pastor Steve Hayes with Grace Community Church led a prayer at the regular session Board Meeting.

Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas

The Public Meeting to distribute and discuss Corsicana ISD's FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) rating was presented by Mike Nielson. Corsicana ISD received a rating of "Superior Achievement." Superior Achievement is the state's highest rating demonstrating the quality of Corsicana ISD's financial management and reporting system.

Long-Range Technology Plan

Dr. Young reviewed the districts Long-Range Technology Plan. The CISD technology department focuses daily on three core areas: network hardware and infrastructure, classroom and campus technology for students and staff, and teacher training and development. Our long-range plan guides our broader multi-year improvements. This presentation will highlight some of our long-range strategies and answer any questions you may have on our efforts to continually improve.

Discussion of District Improvement Plan for State Accountability

Marti Shaner gave an overview of the districts State Accountability. This is a required improvement plan for State Accountability. It details our focused actions we will take to address these areas.

RFQ for Stadium Repair

Scott Wells reviewed the RFQ for the Stadium Repair. On a motion by Jason Sodd and seconded by Scott Watkins, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the RFQ for Tiger stadium repair.

Attendance Enforcement

Dr. Frost presented a flow chart to the Board Members explaining the attendance/truancy enforcement process. House Bill 2398, passed in the 84th legislative session, made significant changes to truancy laws in Texas. Effective September 1, 2015, modifications were made to all school districts' responsibilities, including implementation of truancy prevention measures and referral of a student to truancy court. Students ages 12-18 may be referred to truancy court. Districts

are prohibited from referring students who are pregnant, homeless, in foster care programs, and/or the principal income earners for their family.

In addition to the required actions, Corsicana ISD is making phone calls each day a student is absent. At the High School, a call is made in the morning prior to attendance accounting at 10:00 am in addition to School Messenger, which relays information about absences at the end of each day. The District is in the process of reviewing and correcting errors in the set-up of School Messenger in order to ensure greater accuracy in the phone system.

Concussion Oversight Team

On a motion by Scott Watkins and seconded by Terry Seth, the Board of Trustees voted to change the names of the trainers on the Concussion Manual. The new trainers are Kaylie Ginther and Gregory Kelley.

Security Cameras and Door Access

In a closed session at the workshop, Bill King from KLC Video and Security gave Board Members and Dr. Frost an overview of the new security cameras and door access. Jonathan Aldis from Stantec gave Board Members and Dr. Frost an overview of the secure vestibules.

Matters resulting from closed session on October 5:

Additional Police Officer

On a motion by Scott Watkins and seconded by Barbara Kelley, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the addition of a police officer for Corsicana ISD. The motion passed unanimously.

Three Local Certifications for Non-Core Academic and Technical Education Teachers

On a motion by Terry Seth and Seconded by Jason Sodd, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the three local certifications for non-core academic career and technical education teachers. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent's Contract

On a motion by Terry Seth and seconded by Dr. Kent Rogers, the Board of Trustees voted to extend the contract for Dr. Frost to June 30, 2020.

Superintendent's Report

At the regular session meeting, Dr. Diane Frost reported that Chief of Police Randy Ratliff received his Master Peace Officers Certification. The CHS Band won 1st place in District competition. They will advance to Area competition. The CHS Tennis Team just won the District Championship for the 30th year in a row. CHS Football team is 3-1. The Collins Middle School Ag team won Grand Champion in the Ag

Mechanics division at the State Fair of Texas. CHS Drama Department will present Peter Pan on 10/29 at 8:00 p.m. The Strategic Design Team will meet with 8 different groups ranging from administrators, parents, community members and students. Sessions will start at 8:00 am Tuesday and end at 8:00 pm. The CHS Volleyball team is undefeated.

Establish Instructional Materials (Textbook) Committee

Marti Shaner announced that the district will not need an Instructional Material Committee this year.

Approval of Carroll and Navarro Elementary Improvement Plans for State Accountability

On a motion by Barbara Kelley and Seconded by Terry Seth, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the Carroll and Navarro Elementary Improvement Plans.

DC (LOCAL) Update: First Reading

First Reading of the DC Local Update was discussed. There will be further discussion at the next meeting. House Bill 20155, 84th Legislative Session, effective September 1, 2015, provides for districts to issue a school district teaching permit without permission of the commissioner of education to noncore academic career and technical education (CTE) courses. To allow the Superintendent to approve these contracts, as she does other non-administrative contractual personnel, the language in DE(Local) needs to be modified in order to be inclusive.

Plan for Baseball Complex Repairs

Board members were given a handout that described repairs needed (below) at the baseball field to make it safe to play on as well as safe for the spectators. Board members asked for more information and clarification:

- Projection of revenue expected and time frame to replace funds.
- What is the potential revenue difference installing turf as opposed to a grass field?
- Is lime stabilization really the way to go?

These items will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Areas in need of repair:

- Current field conditions
- Maintenance and costs
- Inadequate bathroom facilities
- Concession area concerns
- Safety concerns of fencing and netting system
- Outdated bleachers that are a safety concern
- Press box
- Scheduling problems with field issues that arise
- The difference in elevations of the field create maintenance issues
- Poor water drainage

- Standards of the facility are not comparable to current CISD facilities
- Inadequate dugouts
- Below standard bull pen areas for home/visiting teams

Student Health Advisory Council (SHAC)

On a motion by Scott Watkins and seconded by Jason Sodd, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the SHAC committee members.

Consent Agenda

On a motion by Terry Seth and seconded by Dr. Kent Rogers, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the Consent Agenda which included:

- Monthly Financial Reports
- Minutes from previous meetings
- Personnel Recommendations
- Concussion Team Approval

Announcements

- Red Ribbon Week week 10/26-10/30
- TAKS Exit Level Retests 10/19-10/22
- Early Release – October 27 & 28
- Board Workshop November 2, 2015 at 6:00 pm
- Regular Board Meeting November 16, 2015 at 6:00 pm.

The meeting on October 5th was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The meeting on October 19th was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.