

**The Salado ISD Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, December 13, 2010 at the Salado Civic Center beginning at 6:00 p.m.**

**Minutes**

- I. Call the Meeting to Order – Darrell Street called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Members present were Kim Bird, Jim Reed, Rodney Bell, Deborah Aldridge, Chris Seaton and Miriam Ervi.
- II. Campus Spotlight
  - Salado High School – First Robotics Program- Robert Franks gave a follow up to last month's Robotic presentation. Mr. Franks informed the board that a \$10,000 grant had been received to build a robot. \$6500 will be used to buy a robotic kit. Additional money will be used for travel and to buy supplies and equipment. The Robotics Team will be going to Austin for a kick off and explanation of what is expected to build a robot in 6 weeks.
- III. Public Forum- There was no public input.
- IV. Board President Report
  - Continuing Education Announcement- Board President Darrell Street announced that the Salado Independent School District Board of Trustees has one member who at this time has met all continuing education requirements and six that are deficient. Those six are currently seeking continuing education credits to comply with the required number of credits.
- V. Superintendent's Report
  - Enrollment Comparison-Mr. Wiggins commented that the district enrollment was currently at 1344 students compared to 1342 this same time as last year. ADA is currently at 1294.871 which is 12 above the budgeted amount.
  - AEIS Reports-Public Hearing on the AEIS report will be held during the January meeting.
  - Special Education Compliance Letter-Mr. Wiggins shared a letter received from TEA stating that Salado ISD is 100% compliant with state targets for the State Performance Plan.
  - November Bond Election State Results-Mr. Wiggins shared recent school bond election results reporting that a total of 41 ISD's held elections November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010. Of the \$2.479 billion in bonds considered, voters approved 19 of the propositions totaling \$1.74 billion and defeated 34 of the propositions totaling \$743.5 million.
  - Fingerprinting Update and Information- Mr. Wiggins reported that SISD has completed the required fingerprinting process.
  - Check Register and Financials – Mrs. Cabaniss reviewed the check register with the board.
- VI. Business Items:
  - A. Consider/Approve 2009-2010 Audit Report presented by Dippel, Dippel, Jackson, and Tugliese
    - Kimmie Jackson, representative from the Audit firm, presented the district's audit report. Mr. Jackson commented that the district has a good and responsible support staff and that the audit report was a good report with no findings. The audit was discussed in detail with the board. The end of year fund balance is \$ 4,213,701.
    - Motion was made and seconded to approve the audit report for 2009-2010.
    - Motion: Jim Reed
    - Second: Rodney Bell
    - Vote: 7-0
  - B. Discussion/Possible Action on Technology Request-
    - Earl Bragg presented technology items that he is requesting to be placed in the budget for 2010-11. Mr. Wiggins recommends payment of these items out of fund balance instead of budget. After discussion and review of these items and the specific district needs, the following motions were made:

Approve item 1 for RSCCC2K (amount to be left at the discretion of Lyndal Cabaniss whether to lease or purchase with his preference to lease; Item 3 in the amount of \$4,745 for Email Archiving solution, and item 5 in the amount of \$8,500 for Server and battery backup to be paid out of fund balance as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion: Rodney Bell

Second: Miriam Ervi

Vote: 7-0

Motion was made to approve item 2 for the JH Lab in the amount of \$33,450 & Item 4 in the amount of \$14,000.

Motion: Chris Seaton

Second: Kim Bird

Discussion: The board discussed options with Mr. Bragg of grant money available, or money available in JH budget to pay a portion of the expense for the JH lab. Wireless and HIPPA requirements were discussed and Earl would need to check further. After much discussion, Jim Reed offered an amendment to the motion to only approve JH lab and wait on consideration of wireless to end of year when the district sees where it is financially. Chris and Kim withdrew their original motion.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the JH Lab in the amount of \$33,450.

Motion: Chris Seaton

Second: Kim Bird

Vote: 6-1 (Darrell Street voting no)

Motion was made to approve the wireless for \$14,000 but died to the lack of a second.

- C. Consider/Approve Salado High School Campus Improvement Plan-  
Kay Matthews and Levi Moses presented the Campus Improvement Plan discussing campus strengths and areas of improvement. The Gifted and Talented program was discussed in length addressing ways to improve and implement the program.  
Motion was made to approve the Salado High School Campus Improvement plan for 2009-2010.  
Motion: Kim Bird  
Second: Jim Reed  
Vote: 7-0
- D. Consider/Approve Employment of Math Teacher at SHS-  
Principal Kay Matthew recommends Kathryn Flanigan for the HS math opening. Mrs. Flanigan comes to the district with 10 years of experience.  
Motion was made to approve the employment of Kathryn Flanigan for High School Math.  
Motion: Deborah Aldridge  
Second: Miriam Ervi  
Vote: 7-0
- E. Consider/Approve Resolution of Acknowledgement "Make Education a Priority"  
Motion was made and seconded to approve the Resolution of Acknowledgement to Make Education a Priority.  
Motion: Jim Reed  
Second: Deborah Aldridge  
Vote: 7-0
- F. Consider/Approve Superintendent Resignation  
Motion was made and seconded to accept the resignation of Superintendent Billy Wiggins.  
Motion: Miriam Ervi  
Second: Kim Bird  
Vote: 7-0
- G. Discussion/Possible Action to approve an Interim Superintendent and Compensation  
Motion was made by Miriam Ervi and seconded by Jim Reed to enter executive session at 8:00 pm for items G and H. Vote was unanimous.

The board reconvened into open session at 9:05 pm.

Motion was made to hire Dr. Bob Denton as the Interim Superintendent on an At-Will basis at a rate of \$75.00 per hour.

Motion: Miriam Ervi

Second: Deborah Aldridge

Vote: 7-0

H. Discussion/Possible Action to approve a Superintendent Search Firm and compensation

Motion was made to hire the Superintendent Search Firm Horn, Smith, Wood and Preston for the complete package totaling \$6500 with a maximum of \$1000 for expenses.

Motion: Kim Bird

Second: Miriam Ervi

Vote: 7-0

VII. Consent Items

A. Approve the Minutes of the November Board Meetings

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the November board meetings.

Motion: Deborah Aldridge

Second: Jim Reed

Vote: 7-0

VIII. Adjourn

Motion was made by Miriam Ervi and seconded by Chris Seaton to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 pm. Vote was unanimous.

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Darrell Street, President

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Jim Reed, Secretary