

**The Salado ISD Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday,
July 20, 2009 at the Salado Civic Center beginning at 6:00 p.m.**

Minutes

- I. Call the Meeting to Order- Darrell Street, President called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm. Members present were Kim Bird, Chris Seaton, Rodney Bell, and Deborah Aldridge. Jim Reed and Miriam Ervi were absent. A quorum was present. Mr. Wiggins and staff were also present.
- II. Public Forum- Joni Lange, administrator for the Salado Chamber of Commerce, introduced herself to the board and offered her assistance in working with the district in regards to community support and other district needs.
- III. Superintendent's Report
 - Compass Bank Program- Karen Marinik from Compass Bank, Banking Center Manager, presented a program for non-profit charity funds that offers fundraising opportunities to school organizations.
 - FIRST Rating (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas)- Mr. Wiggins told the board that the district had received a Superior Achievement rating. A public hearing as required by the state will be given at the next board meeting.
 - Accountability Update- TEA has notified districts that the accountability ratings will be received by July 30th. Preliminary results are showing the district to be Academically Acceptable.
 - Personnel Update-Mr. Wiggins announced that all positions have been filled.
 - District Legal Update-Request for proposals will be going out soon for legal services.
 - District Projects Update-Mr. Wiggins reviewed the status of the mold abatement at the Jr. High. The district is waiting on the health department to say ok to replace sheetrock. Chris Seaton commented that existing projects at the HS are being completed as promised.
 - Board Team Building - Mr. Wiggins reported on TASB opportunities and fees for team building workshops. Also, on Sept 16th, a legislative update sponsored by the Region 12 Education Service Center will be held at the Civic Center. Dr. Sharp is available for conducting a team building workshop for the board. Mr. Wiggins will ask Dr. Sharp if he is available on August 20th. The board would receive 3 hours of board training credit.
 - Check Register and Financials- no comments
- IV. Business Items:
 - A. Consider/Approve Audit Firm Contract- Proposals were received from Brockway, Gersbach, Franklin and Niemeirer, PC, Dippel, Dippel, Jackson, Pugliese, LLC, Cunningham, Shavers, Christensen and Wright, LLP, and Tracy B Tarter, PC.

A recommendation by the Superintendent was made to accept Dippel, Dippel, Jackson, and Wright LLP for auditing services for the 2009-10 and 2010-11 school years.

Motion: Rodney Bell
Second: Chris Seaton
Vote: 5-0

- B. Consider/Approve 2009-2010 Vendor List and Operating Bid Proposals
Motion was made to approve the 2009-2010 Vendor List and Operating Bids as recommended by Lyndal Cabaniss. (see attached)
Motion: Kim Bird
Second: Rodney Bell
Vote: 5-0
- C. Consider/Approve Appraisal Calendar for 2009-2010-
Motion was made to approve the appraisal calendar for 2009-10 as presented.
(see attached)
Motion: Kim Bird
Second: Deborah Aldridge
Vote: 5-0
- D. Consider/Approve Graduation Requirements for 2009-2010-
Mr. Wiggins explained that with the approval of HB 3, new graduation requirements are taking effect on September 1, 2009. The new requirements supersede current requirements. Local district may continue to adopt additional graduation requirements that go beyond the state requirements for graduation. Local Districts may supersede the new requirements with Board approval. Mrs. Matthews, HS Principal, is recommending that we maintain the current requirements for the 09/10 school year because of the lateness in the year and scheduling assignments already in place.
Motion was made to supersede state requirements and approve the current Salado ISD graduation requirements for 2009-10.
Motion: Deborah Aldridge
Second: Kim Bird
Vote: 5-0
- E. Discussion/Possible Action on Civic Center Lease
(According to Government Code Section 551.072, the Board may convene a closed session to discuss or deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property. No action will be taken in closed session)

Motion was made to enter executive session at 6:45 pm on a motion by Chris Seaton and seconded by Rodney Bell. Vote was unanimous.

The board reconvened into open session at 7:40 pm.

The board commented that the current lease, signed in 1982 and amended in 1996 was reviewed. The district will adhere to the letter of the lease and expects the other party to do the same. No action will be taken.

V. Consent Items

- A. Approve the Minutes of the June and July Board Meetings-
Motion was made to approve the minutes of the June and July board meetings as presented.
Motion: Rodney Bell
Second: Kim Bird
Vote: 5-0

VI. Adjourn

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Rodney Bell and seconded by Chris Seaton at 7:41 pm.

Vote was unanimous.

Darrell Street, President

Deborah Aldridge, Secretary