

The Salado ISD Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, November 19, 2007 at the Salado Civic Center beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes

- I. Call the Meeting to Order- Jeff Kelley, President called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Members present included Debby Aldridge, Miriam Ervi, Jackie Burson, Chris Seaton, Darrell Street, and Frank Carlson. Dr. Battershell and staff were also present.
- II. Public Forum- Tom Gidley addressed the board regarding Jr. High girls' basketball uniforms and asked for discussion for single member district for school districts.
Frank Carlson requested that discussion be placed on the agenda for the December board meeting.
Bud Wood addressed the board regarding agendas for construction meetings and process for approving change orders and if the Superintendent has that authority. Frank Carlson asked if he could address the question and Jeff Kelley responded that the superintendent would answer the questions according to public forum policy.
Board President's Report: Thanksgiving – Jeff Kelley reflected on the Thanksgiving Holidays and gave a personal thanks to the each board member, administration and staff.
- III. Superintendent's Report
 - Growth and Planning – Dr. Battershell reported on the Sunset Review team, emergency evacuation drills, TASB board survey, and an update on enrollment and the 07-08 budget projections. The district's enrollment has not increased this year, thus there is a projected budget shortfall. The Administration is taking measures to cut back on the approved budget so that there will not be a shortfall at the end of the year.
 - Quality Faculty and Training
 - Clearly Defined Goals for student expectations for post graduation success: Recognition of Salado High School Band, First Division, UIL Marching Competition –Dr. Battershell recognized the Salado High School Band for achieving a rating of 1at the UIL Marching Contest and introduced Tom Bremer to tell about the band program this year.
 - Innovation
 - Safe Schools

Check Register and Financials: ADA and Finance Update
Dr. Battershell reviewed budget adjustments and finance update with the board.
- V. Business Items
 - A. Consider Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property: Civic Center – Ken Clapp, Dennis Cabaniss
Ken Clapp and Dennis Cabaniss expressed to the board the hope of the Civic Center to expand their facility.
They recommend that the school board appoint two members along with the superintendent to meet with the Civic Center board to begin the process of purchase, exchange, or lease of the Civic Center.
Motion was made to approve a committee to begin the process of possible purchase of the Civic Center.

Motion: Debby

Second: Miriam

Discussion: Jeff Kelley suggested that Darrell Street and Jackie Burson serve as representatives on this committee due to their long time experience on this board.

Motion was amend by Debby Aldridge to include the Superintendent on this committee.

Miriam Ervi seconds the amended motion.

Vote: 6-0-1 (Darrell Street abstained.)

Ken Clapp made comment of reassurance that the property would not be sold for commercial property and this would be stated in the deed.

Motion was made to appoint Darrel Street and Jackie Burson to work with the Civic Center board.

Second: Chris Seaton

Vote: 7-0

B. Approval of Resolution for Coordinated Emergency Planning

Motion was made to approve a resolution for coordinated emergency planning.

Motion: Miriam Ervi

Second: Jackie Burson

Vote: 7-0

C. Approval of Energy Reduction Plan per HB 3693

Motion was made to approve a District Energy Reduction Plan per HB 3693

Motion: Jackie Burson

Second: Chris Seaton

Vote: 7-0

B. Committee Reports

- I. Construction – Jeff Kelley discussed the committee meeting on Nov 28 at job site beginning at 7:30 am. Dr. Battershell noted use of some of the contingency funds to increase the size of the waste treatment plant to accommodate 3 days retainage. Frank Carlson discussed the approval of the superintendent in authorization of approving adds and deducts from the GMP. He specifically asked when was the approval given and for any board minutes showing board approval. The next construction committee meeting will be held on November 28th and December 12 at 7:30 am at the job site.

2. Policy:

- a. Update 81 – Miriam Ervi reviewed Update 81 and made the motion to approve Update 81.

Debby Aldridge seconded and motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

B. Call for Goods in Transit Tax Public Hearing –

Miriam Ervi explained the law for goods in transit tax.

The board will conduct a public hearing for Goods in transit at the regularly scheduled Demeter 17th board meeting.

Capital Improvements – The committee will meet again on Wednesday, November 28th at 8:30 am following the facilities meeting. Discussion will be about the drainage issues.

VI. Consent Items

A. Approve the minutes of the October board meeting

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the October board meeting and seconded by Debby Aldridge.

Discussion: Frank Carlson asked for a correction changing the agenda item listed to Discussion for ONCOR Site Work. Motion was amended by Street and seconded by Carlson. However, it was noted that you cannot change the wording of an agenda item listed on previous board meeting. Motion was then amended to leave the item as posted, but to add a line in the minutes that “there was no vote and no consent” related to the use of contingency under the GMP for the waste water treatment plant. Motion carried 7-0.

VII. Adjourn

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 pm by Jackie Burson and seconded by Chris Seaton. Vote: 7-0

Jeff Kelley, President

Miriam Ervi, Secretary