

CENTER POINT ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, July 22, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT

Michael D. Butler, President
Judy Jordan, Vice President
Anna Dominguez, Secretary
Frank Thomason

Larry J. Leitha, Jr.
Hugh Weaver
Sue Holloway

MEMBERS ABSENT

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Dr. Donna Smith, Superintendent
Scott Turner, Exec. Director Student Srvc.

Janda Castillo, Secondary Principal
Janice Erwin, Exec. Director Business Srvc.

GUESTS

None

A. Call to order/declaration of quorum.

The Center Point ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session on Tuesday, July 22, 2008, in the CP Pirate Cove Conference Room, 201 China Street, Center Point, Texas. President Butler established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Sue Holloway led the prayer. Mr. Butler stated that a notice of this meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

B. Public Forum.

1. Audience Participation: None

C. Administrative Reports:

1 Director of Support Services – Update on Summer Projects

Dan Patton reported on the following: The girl's showers in the locker room are almost complete. The little locker room still needs the floor entry way into the shower area and installing privacy tint on the windows. Locker rooms at the field house, rock walls and plumbing are complete. They are working on completing the floors in the next few weeks. The new weight room building is ahead of schedule. The elevator installation has been rescheduled 3 times. The manufacturer has changed the delivery date of the elevator, and we are expecting delivery on July 28th.

2. Executive Director of Student Services Report

a. Staff Development Activities for Opening School

Mr. Turner reported that we are having two weeks of staff development with an emphasis on technology, with three days set aside for teachers to finish their 4 levels of technology competencies. We are offering training to new teachers for district software, and training for any returning teachers who want a refresher in txGradeBook, attendance, etc. We are having a session of GT training and Content Mastery model. Additional training will be provided for A+ lab; CPR & AED.

b. Update on Summer School

Mr. Turner reported that we had 11 student complete 22 semesters of credit recovery. One student has completed the requirements for graduation. We have another student who is very close to finishing the required credits for graduation.

c. TAKS Update

Mr. Turner reported that we had one 8th grade student who needed to do the Math TAKS retake, and the student passed. Exit level testing was July 15th – 18th. Three students took the ELA. Ten students were scheduled to take the TAKS Math, but one student did not come take the test. Two students came to take the Science TAKS. All students had already passed the Social Studies Exit TAKS. Mr. Turner reported that there was improvement in nearly every area this year. Elementary campus should be recognized. There are areas of concern in Science. In order to be recognized there must be at least 75% passing in all subjects. Middle School missed being recognized because Science fell below that passing percentage. The Middle School will be academically acceptable. There was substantial growth in the Middle School Science passing rate, however, the Science TAKS did not count towards the accountability last year, so the campus was recognized, and this year it is counting towards the accountability. High School will be academically acceptable. High School needs to improve in Math to be recognized. Preliminary results indicate that the District accountability rate will be academically acceptable.

3. Executive Director of Business Services Report

a. Near Final Budget for 2009

Ms. Erwin reported that we are continuing to work on the budget for next year, and are very close. Board members were given a preliminary report to review. There is an overall increase of \$152,000 increase in the general fund. Currently the proposed budget is balanced.

b. Preliminary FIRST Report

Ms. Erwin reported that the preliminary rating is for 2006-2007. The maximum score available is 85. Center Point's rating is 84, which is a superior rating. The final report will be given in September or October.

c. Information about Lunch Money Now

Ms. Erwin reported that the district will be implementing a new program for the cafeteria to allow parents to access cafeteria information such as balance, menu items purchased, and e-mail alerts when the student's fund balance at the cafeteria is getting low. This new program will also allow parents to pay funds on their child's cafeteria account on-line using their credit card.

4. Superintendent's Report

a. July 31st – Team Building – 6 to 9 pm – Menu Selections

Board Members were given a menu to make their selections for the upcoming Team Building meeting. There will be a few action items added to the agenda before they begin the Team Building training.

b. Election Information

Dr. Smith reported that there will be 5 board positions up for election in November. Board members were given a calendar of election deadlines. The election will be called during the August board meeting.

c. Plans for Staff Breakfast

The date for the staff breakfast will be August 18, 2008.

D. Consent Agenda:

- a. Minutes of previous meetings.
- b. Expenditures.
- c. Tax report.
- d. Comparison of revenue and expenditures to budget.
- e. Activity accounts report.
- f. Investment Report
- g. Budget Amendment

Hugh Weaver moved to approve the Consent Agenda with Larry Leitha gave the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

E. Action Items for Consideration:

- 1. Consider and Approve Changes to Policy DNA (LOCAL) Performance Appraisal Evaluation of Teachers

Frank Thomason moved to approve changes to Policy DNA (LOCAL) as presented with Hugh Weaver giving the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

- 2. Consider and Approve Student Code of Conduct for 2008-2009

Judy Jordan moved to approve the Student Code of Conduct for 2008-2009 as presented with Larry Leitha giving the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

- 3. Consider and Approve Proposals for Two Maintenance Vehicles

Frank Thomason moved to approve the proposals for two maintenance vehicles as presented with, Larry Leitha giving the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

- 4. Consider and Approve Teacher Appraisal Calendar for 2008-2009

Judy Jordan moved to approve the teacher appraisal calendar for 2008-2009 as presented with, Hugh Weaver giving the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

- 5. Consider and Approve Employment of Personnel

Dr. Smith advised that we advertised for the position of English/Journalism. We received an application from Ms. Du Bose, and her certification is in English & Theater. Nancy Erickson will take over the journalism and Sarah will do English, Theater & Speech (Permit).

Judy Jordan moved to approve a one year probationary 10 month contract for Sara Du Bose as presented with, Hugh Weaver giving the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

6. Consider and Approve Election Site Locations

Hugh Weaver moved to approve the election sites for the November 4, 2008 Trustee Election and early voting site as presented with, Judy Jordan giving the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

7. Request for Future Agenda Items:

Frank Thomason requested that the mentoring program be discussed at the next regular board meeting.

F. Items for Consideration in Closed Session:

No closed session.

1. Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, consultation with the District's attorney regarding legal issues concerning possible resignation release agreement with an elementary teacher who has been proposed for non-renewal based upon a reduction in force.

2. Pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, deliberation concerning resignation and release agreement with an elementary teacher who has been proposed for non-renewal based upon a reduction in force.

G. Items for Consideration in Open Session:

1. Discuss and take possible action regarding resignation/release agreement involving an elementary teacher.

Hugh Weaver moved to approve the proposed resignation and release agreement that has been signed by Cheryl Smith, a term contract Elementary teacher, and to authorize the Superintendent to sign that agreement on behalf of the District. Judy Jordan gave the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

2. Discuss and take possible action regarding possible rescission of a proposed non-renewal of an elementary teacher and acceptance of the resignation of the teacher.

In accordance with the resignation and release agreement that we have just approved and which has been signed by the Superintendent as authorized by our previous motion, Hugh Weaver moved to rescind the proposed non-renewal of Cheryl Smith, a term contract Elementary teacher, that was approved by the board on March 22, 2008. Judy Jordan gave the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

F. Adjournment.

Frank Thomason moved to adjourn the meeting with Larry Leitha giving the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Approved by:

Michael D. Butler, President

Date

Anna Dominguez, Secretary

Date