

**CENTER POINT ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Wednesday, August 26, 2009**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Judy Jordan, President  
Sue Holloway, Vice President  
Michael D. Butler

Allen Kaiser  
Sabyn Park

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Anna Dominguez, Secretary

Frank Thomason

**ADMINISTRATION PRESENT**

Cody Newcomb, Superintendent  
Janda Castillo, Secondary Principal  
Janice Erwin, Exec. Director Business Svcs.  
Deborah Hicks, Supt. Secretary

Scott Turner, Exec. Dir. of Student Svcs.  
Casey Johnson, Elementary Principal  
Sam McLarty, Director of Support Services

**GUESTS**

Sherry Rivers                  Robbin Smith

**A. Call to order/declaration of quorum.**

The Center Point ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session on Wednesday, August 26, 2009, in the CP Pirate Cove Conference Room, 207 China Street, Center Point, Texas. President Jordan established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Mrs. Jordan stated that a notice of this meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551. Sabyn Park led the prayer.

**B. Public Forum**

1. Audience Participation
2. Recognition of Guests
3. Public hearing of budget and proposed tax rate for 2009-2010

Janice Erwin reported that the proposed budget was a balanced budget, and asked if anyone had questions regarding the budget. No questions were posed.

**C. Administrative Reports:**

1. Principal Reports

- a. Elementary

Mr. Johnson gave his oral report to the board. Mr. Johnson reported that teachers had a good in-service week prior to school beginning. He has already received very positive comments from teachers regarding the C-Scope Curriculum that has been implemented. There was a great turn out at "Meet the Teacher Night". The classrooms were decorated and prepared for the first day of school. Teachers also attended a presentation hosted by KISD called "Teach Like a Rockstar" to begin the new school year. They had a very success start to the school year. Teachers were teaching on day one. A new discipline referral system is in place for elementary students. Mr. Johnson has also implemented two new programs at the elementary campus called "Practice Academy" that will help students practice normal behavior as needed and also Think Tank, which will be the elementary version of ISS. Windows have been installed in all the classroom doors at the elementary. Pirate folders will be sent home daily to boost school communication for families. The elementary campus plans to implement a campus newsletter in both English and Spanish this fall.

a. Secondary

Mrs. Castillo gave her oral report to the board. Enrollment numbers:  
Total HS 52 in 9<sup>th</sup> Grade; 44 in 10<sup>th</sup> Grade; 35 in 11<sup>th</sup> Grade; 39 in 12<sup>th</sup> Grade.  
Total MS 49 in 6<sup>th</sup> Grade; 43 in 7<sup>th</sup> Grade; 40 in 8<sup>th</sup> Grade.

Mrs. Castillo also reported that the secondary campuses mailed home school supply lists to families over the summer so parents could take advantage of sales. It was great to have students ready to begin school with their supplies, and not come to school the first day with just pencils and paper. The sixth grade parent meeting was well attended. The new PALS program is going well, and that group organized and hosted a reception for new students before school started. The implementation of C-Scope is going well. The bell schedule has been adjusted with 4 minute passing periods between classes to allow more time in the class for instruction. Seniors have late arrival this year in place of early dismissal. The morning break time will be used for morning tutorials as need for UIL or additional study time for classes. The High School is implementing a new Dual Credit Program with UT Arlington and Lamar University. The Sixth and Seventh grade students have a Study Skills class to offer more academic support. TAKS math classes at the High School are going well. Mrs. Castillo also reported that graduating students will be permitted beginning this year to wear service cords at graduation for hours of community service.

2. Director of Support Services Report

a. Update on Summer Maintenance Projects

Mr. McLarty gave his oral report to the board outlining the summer projects that were completed including:

Installation of cabinets at the FB field for uniforms

Remodeling of the elementary reception area in the office.

Remodeling the reception area in the Superintendent's office.

Remodeling and moving the Special Education office to the second floor of the Administration Building.

Remodeling of the Staff Development room on the second floor of the Administration Building.

Remodeling of the High School reception area.

Refinishing of the High School stage floor.

Relocating Elementary Teacher Workroom

Relocating Elementary Secretary Office

Relocating Elementary/Middle School Counselor's Office

Relocating the Middle School and High School Teacher Workrooms.

Relocating the High School Counselor's Office

The district also had it's Asbestos sampling over the summer with very good results.

Several rooms were painted including, the nurses office, the MS bathroom entrances, the small gym and dressing rooms, and the HS interior. There was also several areas that needed sheetrock repair and trim work completion.

The custodial staff was busy working to strip and wax all the tile floors and steam cleaning all the carpeted areas. The moved and cleaned furniture and desks throughout the district.

An Alarm System has been installed over the summer and a new PA system was also installed.

There are still many jobs in the progress of being completed.

Mr. McLarty also reported that the additional funds the board approved for summer projects were not all spent and would revert back to the general budget.

3. Superintendent's Report

b. "CPISD Teacher" Video

Mr. Newcomb showed a video that was prepared for staff development to board members. After showing the video, he explained that CPISD Teacher was our theme for the year which stands for:

C. Caring about our students, fellow teachers and the community.

P. Passionate about teaching.

I. Inspiring to students and fellow teachers.

S. Self-less in all that we do.

D. Dedicated

a. Schedule Facility Workshop and tour of School Facilities

Mr. Newcomb advised the board that they needed to set a date for a Facility Workshop that included a tour of the school facilities. The workshop will be held on September 29<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. The meeting will convene in the Administration Office.

**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. Budget Amendment

g. Investment Report

Mike Butler moved to approve the Consent Agenda minus the expenditure report with Allen Kaiser giving the second.

**MOTION APPROVED 5 FOR 0 OPPOSED  
2 ABSENT – FRANK THOMASON & ANNA DOMINGUEZ**

**E. Closed Session:**

a. Pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, deliberations concerning hiring of personnel and renewal of contracts for campus teachers and other certified district staff members.

No closed meeting

**F. Action Items:**

a. Adopt Budget for 2009-2010.

Allen Kaiser made a motion to adopt the budget for the 2009-2010 school year as presented with Mike Butler giving the second.

**MOTION APPROVED 5 FOR 0 OPPOSED  
2 ABSENT – FRANK THOMASON & ANNA DOMINGUEZ**

b. Adopt Tax Rate by Ordinance for 2009-2010

Mike Butler made a motion to set the tax rate at \$1.10; \$1.04 for the purpose of maintenance and operation, and \$0.06 for the purpose of payment of principal and interest on debts with Sabyn Park giving the second.

**MOTION APPROVED 5 FOR 0 OPPOSED  
2 ABSENT – FRANK THOMASON & ANNA DOMINGUEZ**

c. Consider and take possible action on requests for future Agenda items.  
Report on Community Lunch sponsored by the Food Service Department

d. Consider and take possible action on any items pulled from the Consent Agenda.

**G. Adjournment.**

Mike Butler moved to adjourn the meeting with Allen Kaiser giving the second.

**MOTION APPROVED 5 FOR 0 OPPOSED  
2 ABSENT – FRANK THOMASON & ANNA DOMINGUEZ**

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Approved by:

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Judy Jordan, President

Date

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Anna Dominguez, Secretary

Date