

**August 29, 2012**

A regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Falls City ISD was held in the boardroom on Wednesday, August 29, 2012.

Members Present:

Raymond Dziuk, President  
Mindy Jendrusch, Secretary  
Jerry Jendrusch  
Patrick Jarzombek, Vice-President  
Eddie Bordovsky  
Alfie Kowalik

Also Present:

Linda Bettin, Superintendent  
Teri Crawford, Bookkeeper  
Christy Blocker, Principal  
Kim Moy, Counselor  
Cathy Stolle  
Bain Serna, Countywide

Members Absent:

Stephen Dziuk – Arrived at 7:38 p.m.

**1. Meeting called to order**

The meeting was called to order by President, Raymond Dziuk at 7:00 p.m.

**2. Open Forum**

No one spoke during open forum.

**3. Conduct Public Hearing on 2012-13 proposed budget and proposed tax rate**

A public hearing was held on the proposed 2012-13 budget and proposed tax rate. Ms. Bettin stated that the proposed budget was adjusted as requested at the last meeting. The proposed tax rate is \$1.04 for maintenance and operations and \$.0733 for I & S with a total of \$1.1133. She gave the board members a report from LaMarr Womack regarding the suggested number of acres for a high school. Ms. Bettin also stated that she has been contacted by Carrol Lake and Associates about a 1 acre tract of land that is owned by the school as they are interested in putting it out for bids for an oil lease. There was no audience for the public hearing.

**4. Review proposed budget**

Raymond Dziuk stated that he would like to move this agenda item down further on the agenda until Stephen Dziuk can be present as he is running late.

**5. Reports from administration and staff**

Mrs. Blocker reported enrollment at 181 for Jr. high and high school and 182 for the elementary campus. A short assembly was held on the first day of school reviewing all the procedures and handbooks. Football will be in Falls City on Thursday for the JV and in Jourdanton Friday for the varsity game. Mrs. Blocker stated that open house would be held on September 11, 2012 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

**6. Consider/approve minutes from previous meetings**

Jerry Jendrusch moved to approve the minutes from the July 25, 2012 meeting and also from the meeting held on August 1, 2012. Pat Jarzombek seconded the motion. All in favor.

**7. Consider/approve payment of bills**

Pat Jarzombek moved to approve the payment of bills as presented. Alfie Kowalik seconded the motion. Mindy Jendrusch abstained. All others in favor.

**8. Consider/approve transfer student**

There were no transfer students at this time.

**9. Consider/approve Inter-local Cooperation Agreement with Floresville Alternative School**

Ms. Bettin stated that this is a renewal with the Floresville Alternative School. Mindy Jendrusch moved to approve the Inter-local Cooperation Agreement with Floresville Alternative School as presented. Eddie Bordovsky seconded the motion. All in favor.

**10. Consider/approve Inter-local Agreement with Texas20 Purchasing Cooperative**

Ms. Bettin stated that The Texas20 Purchasing Cooperative would provide a better service for the school as it is a larger co-op than the Region 3 purchasing co-op that we were previously with. We will have more buying power. Jerry Jendrusch moved to approve the inter-local agreement with Texas20 Purchasing Cooperative. Alfie Kowalik seconded the motion. All in favor.

**11. Consider/approve 2011-12 budget amendments**

Teri Crawford reviewed the budget amendments for 2011-2012. There were several amendments due to the bond re-financing. Pat Jarzombek moved to approve the 2011-2012 budget amendments as presented. Mindy Jendrusch seconded. All in favor.

**Agenda items #12 and #13 were moved down to bottom of agenda.**

**14. Education Foundation update**

Ms. Bettin stated the foundation board met last night to review by-laws and corporate documents. Board member size will increase to around 25 members. All members need to bring names of 10 possible board members. The memorandum of understanding will need to be finalized between the school district and the foundation. Grant proposal was discussed.

**15. Set the date to hold a public hearing and review the district's 2012 FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) rating**

Ms. Bettin stated we need to set the date to review the district's 2012 FIRST rating. Alfie Kowalik moved to set September 19, 2012 as the date to hold a public hearing and review the district's 2012 FIRST rating. Pat Jarzombek seconded the motion. All in favor.

**16. Superintendent's Report**

Ms. Bettin stated that she had looked at and reviewed some different school websites. She thought that LaVernia ISD's website is very user friendly and the company that we are looking at using to update our site manages LaVernia's website. The cost for the web designers will be about \$3,100. They will be here on September 14<sup>th</sup> to start working on our website. Ms. Bettin gave the board information on the TASB conference that will be held the end of September in Austin. She stated that John Banks, our delinquent tax attorney has extended an invitation for dinner Friday night. She gave the board members a current list of coaching assignments and also the most current pledge report.

**Back to items #4, 12, 13**

**4. Review proposed budget**

Mindy Jendrusch stated that she would like to give each classroom teacher a \$500 budget for classroom supplies instead of a stipend. Jerry Jendrusch stated this would be non-taxable instead of them using personal funds that are taxed. Stephen Dziuk stated that teachers spend an average of \$1200 of their own money each year on classroom supplies. These funds should be used as teachers see fit in their classroom. A review of obsolete instructional materials should be done in order to update the classrooms.

**7:50 p.m.**

**The board went into closed session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E or Texas Government section 418.183(f) or 551.074**

**8:46 p.m. Out of Closed Session**

**4. Review proposed budget**

**A. Consider/approve Elementary Principal stipend**

Stephen Dziuk moved to give a stipend of 2% for elementary principal. Motion died for a lack of 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**B. Consider/approve Superintendent's salary/stipend**

Stephen Dziuk moved to give a stipend of 2% to Superintendent. Motion died for a lack of 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**C. Consider/approve staff oil stipends**

Mindy Jendrusch moved to give a \$500 instructional materials budget to each classroom teacher. Stephen Dziuk seconded the motion. All in favor.

**12. Consider/approve 2012-2013 budget**

Pat Jarzombek moved to approve the 2012-2013 budget as presented. Eddie Bordovsky seconded the motion. All in favor.

**13. Consider/approve setting the 2012-13 tax rate**

Stephen Dziuk moved to adopt the 2012-13 tax rate for maintenance and operations at \$1.04 per \$100 of valuation and \$.0733 per \$100 of valuation for interest and sinking for a total tax rate of \$1.1133. **THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.** Eddie Bordovsky seconded the motion. All in favor.

**17. Adjourn**

Alfie Kowalik moved to adjourn the meeting. Eddie Bordovsky seconded the motion. All in favor.

TIME: 8:53 p.m.

ATTEST:

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