

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MARSHALL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
PAT R. SMITH-GASPERSON BOARD ROOM
October 12, 2009
5:00 P.M.

PRESENT: RICK MCMINN, PRESIDENT
TIFFANY AMMERMAN, VICE-PRESIDENT-A
HELEN WARWICK, SECRETARY
LENORA REED, ASSISTANT SECRETARY-A

SAM FOGLE
JANIE HILL
MRS. CHARLES WILSON
Bruce Gearing, Ed.D., Supt. of
Schools
Melinda Jones, Deputy Supt.

OTHERS: Charles Iyaho, News Messenger
Carrie Alexander-A
Thed Harris-A
Jobbie King

Tonya Knowlton
Mariann Middleton-A
Brooke Paddie
Stacie Whitaker

INVOCATION:-----Dr. Bruce Gearing

MINUTES APPROVED Mrs. Charles Wilson moved, with second by Mrs. Helen Warwick, to approve the minutes as printed for the Board Meeting September 14, 2009, and Special Called Meeting September 29, 2009. Motion carried unanimously. The minutes are on file in the Board Minute Book.

OPEN FORUM There were no open forum comments.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS STUDENT RECOGNITION Greg Morris, principal of Robert E. Lee Elementary presented the Board with personalized books. Fourth grade students gave a short musical presentation.

The Board of Trustees recognized several MISD employees for going above and beyond the call of duty. Those recognized for their efforts were:

Eloise Lambright- Washington Early Childhood Center
Brenda Harris- South Marshall Elementary
Callie Dorchester- South Marshall Elementary
Sharon Duncan- South Marshall Elementary
Dentrice Brooks- George W. Carver Elementary

Gwen McCowan- George W. Carver Elementary
Danny Fisher- George W. Carver Elementary
Pat Harden- William B. Travis Elementary
Jan Kale- David Crockett Elementary
Diane Hicks- David Crockett Elementary
Judy Hogberg- Marshall Junior High School
Dorothy Franklin- Marshall High School

Dr. Bruce Gearing presented academic recognition plaques to all MISD campuses for past and future acknowledgment awards.

Performance Based Monitoring Analysis (PBMAS) accountability report was given by Dr. Gearing and the report is incorporated as a part of these minutes.

PUBLIC HEARING ON
2009 FIRST RATING

Dr. Gearing conducted a public hearing on the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) rating. The school district's FIRST rating is based upon an analysis of staff and student data reported for the 2007-08 school year as well as budgetary and actual financial data for 2008. MISD was rated on twenty-four indicators and was awarded the highest rating "superior achievement" by garnering 81 out of 85 possible points. MISD had one indicator that our District did not fully meet. We received a "1" for the ratio of students (5743) to staff (1,003.964) according to District size.

PUBLIC HEARING ON
NCLB/TITLE I
PROGRAM

Melinda Jones conducted a public hearing on the *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001*. This education law requires every state to determine academic standards for K-12 students and for every public school district to demonstrate successful academic achievement in order to receive federal funds. The law also requires public school district to develop a parent notification process to inform them about student progress and encourage their involvement in their child's academic success. Each year the District determines which schools are eligible to receive Title I NCLB funds. Priority is given to schools with an enrollment of 35 percent or more of students from low-income families. Schools with an enrollment of 40 percent or more are eligible to operate a school wide Title I program.

MISD CAMPUS
IMPROVEMENT PLANS
2009-10
APPROVED

Mrs. Wilson moved, with second by Mrs. Warwick, to approve the MISD Campus Improvement Plans for 2009-10 school year. Motion carried unanimously. All of the campus plans are included on the MISD website.

DISTRICT
IMPROVEMENT PLAN
APPROVED

Mrs. Wilson moved, with second by Mrs. Warwick, to approve the MISD District Improvement Plan for 2009-10. Motion carried unanimously. A copy of the approved District Improvement Plan is incorporated as a part of these minutes and also on the MISD website.

DEC (LOCAL)
COMPENSATION AND
BENEFITS LEAVES
AND ABSENCES
APPROVED

Mr. Sam Fogle moved, with second by Mrs. Wilson, to approve policy DEC (Local) Compensation and Benefits Leaves and Absences. Motion carried unanimously. A copy of the approved policy is incorporated as a part of these minutes.

HCAD DIRECTORS
SELECTION
APPROVED

Mrs. Wilson moved, with second by Mrs. Janie Hill, to approve the vote entitlement and nomination resolution for the Harrison Central Appraisal District Director selection. The nominations were Helen Warwick and Robert Duvall for Marshall ISD. Motion carried unanimously. A copy of the approved resolution is incorporated as a part of these minutes.

TEXTBOOK
COMMITTEE
APPROVED

Mrs. Wilson moved, with second by Mrs. Warwick, to approve the MISD Textbook Committee for 2009-10. Motion carried unanimously. A copy of the approved committee is incorporated as a part of these minutes.

DONATIONS
ACCEPTED

Mr. Fogle moved, with second by Mrs. Wilson, to accept donations:

- (a) Marshall Symphony League's donation of \$1,000 to be distributed to the band, orchestra, choir and theater/drama departments at \$250 each.
- (b) Mr. Darren Busby, owner of Subway Restaurants on Highway 50 and 80 donated 350 free Subway sandwich coupons to MISD for use as incentive prizes for the Employee Wellness Program valued at \$1225.

Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET
AMENDMENT #1
APPROVED

Mrs. Wilson moved, with second by Mrs. Warwick, to approve budget amendment#1:

Fund 199-0-General Fund

I am requesting a transfer of \$1,100 in funds from Function 11-Instruction to Function 12-Instructional Resources & Media for the purpose of a Book Flix Subscription on behalf of WECC.

The MISD music and arts department has received a donation of \$1000 from the Marshall Junior Symphony League for use in the music and arts programs. We need to recognize the revenue and add funds to the appropriations accounts.

Mrs. Kristi McGeorge received a \$500 grant from AEP for the implementation of an innovative program at Marshall High School. These funds were previously accepted by the board, deposited into the district account, and amended into the 2008-09 year budget. However, the funds were not spent last year and do not automatically roll forward. It is necessary to appropriate the funds in the current year budget before they can be expended.

The following is a recap of donations for which a budget amendment is not requested:

Nurse Crandell, on behalf of the MISD Employee Wellness Program, has received a donation valued at approximately \$1250 from the local Subway restaurant owner, Darren Busby. Mr. Busby donated 350 free Subway sandwich coupons for use as incentive prizes for employees participating in the wellness program.

Motion carried unanimously. A copy of the approved amendment is incorporated as a part of these minutes.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mrs. Wilson moved, with second by Mr. Fogle, to approve as presented the financial reports. Rick McMinn asked that the beginning and end of the month cash balance be included in the reports. Motion carried unanimously. A copy of the approved report is incorporated as a part of these minutes.

ACTION ON 10 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OWNED BY MISD APPROVED

Mr. Fogle moved, with second by Mrs. Wilson, to authorize Dr. Bruce Gearing and MISD attorney to review paperwork and represent the school district at the upcoming public hearing on the 10 acre tract of land owned by MISD that is being considered for rezoning by the Airport Zoning Board. Motion carried unanimously. A copy of the information is incorporated as a part of these minutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President McMinn recessed the meeting at 6:00 p.m. to convene in executive session as provided in the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551 for the purpose of considering personnel appointments for 2009-10