

MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
September 19, 2011 6:30 P.M.

The Grand Saline ISD Board of Trustees met in a regular session this date. President Loyd Nations called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. stating that a quorum was present and the meeting had been duly called and posted in the time and manner required by law.

Board members present included President Loyd Nations, Secretary Matt Strickland, Becky Kindle, Sharon Slayden, and Eddie Paul Stanley. Mike Blake and Rodney Easley were absent.

Loyd Nations opened the meeting with prayer.

There were no comments from the public.

Consent agenda items included minutes of the August 11, 2011, called board meeting, August 15, 2011, regular board meeting, August 29 and September 1, 2011, called board meetings and financial report for August 2011. There were no objections so President Loyd Nations declared the consent agenda approved.

Reports were given and discussions held regarding the following: (a) AYP by Debby Morse, (b) Administrator reports by the following: Debbie Sikes on accountability, Rhonda Orren on the Elementary School, Brenda English on the Intermediate School, Brad Swain on the Middle School, Ricky LaPrade on the High School, and Behavior Specialist Glenda Hooper on the Intervention Program, (c) Long Range Planning Committee by Becky Kindle, (d) repurposing of the old elementary building by Matt Strickland and there will be another report at the October board meeting, (e) Maintenance report by Johnny Savallo, (f) Elementary School project by Trish Elliott, (g) Upcoming meetings and workshops including September 26<sup>th</sup> on the Education Code Orientation/Update and a Legal Update on November 10<sup>th</sup> in Commerce ISD, (h) Trish Elliott presented continuing education requirements for the board. If requirements are not completed by the December board meeting, a plan must be prepared for presentation to the board president so the Trustee's intent to comply with the requirements can be announced. (i) Technology by Lance Caffey and Michael Scott.

President Loyd Nations announced a recess at 9:08 p.m. and called the meeting back into session at 9:19 p.m.

A motion was made by Eddie Paul Stanley and seconded by Matt Strickland to adopt a resolution to accept funding from a partnership with a Chapter 41 school district. The motion carried 5 to 0.

Eddie Paul Stanley moved to enter into a WADA agreement with Northwest ISD. The motion was seconded by Becky Kindle and carried 5 to 0.

A motion was made by Sharon Slayden and seconded by Eddie Paul Stanley to authorize APEX to drill core samples at the Middle School and come back with a bid for any further research. The motion carried 5 to 0.

An example Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for attorney requirements was presented. Following discussion, the board agreed to make suggestions using the example. Due to the complexity of developing an RFQ for attorney applicants a motion was made by Becky Kindle and seconded by Matt Strickland to postpone any decisions until the next board meeting. The motion carried 5 to 0.

A motion was made by Becky Kindle and seconded by Matt Strickland to allow the administration to develop a credentialing policy applicable to native speakers of other languages which would allow a student to receive credit for lower level courses when the upper level course has been successfully completed. The motion carried 5 to 0.

Ms. Elliott informed the board that GSISD is entering into a purchasing cooperative with Region VII. No action was required.

A motion was made by Eddie Paul Stanley and seconded by Matt Strickland to solicit bids from three or four companies to dig a water well and give the superintendent the authority to proceed with the well. The motion carried 5 to 0.

Ms. Elliott informed the board that LVN Katrina Savallo has been hired to work four hours per day to help with nursing responsibilities.

Eddie Paul Stanley moved to adjourn which was seconded by Becky Kindle. Loyd Nations declared the meeting adjourned at 10:07 p.m. on September 19, 2011.

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Loyd Nations, President

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Matt Strickland, Secretary