

FRANKLIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
April 11, 2007 Board Minutes

The Franklin ISD Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on March 8, 2007, at 6:30 p.m. The following members were present: Mr. Steve Jones, Mr. Jerry Paceley, Mr. Steve Schultz, Mr. Dennis Varvel, Jr., Mr. Scott Phillips and Mr. Randy Rhodes. Mr. Bobby Box was absent.

Mr. Dennis Varvel, Jr. called the meeting to order.

**Reports:**

Martha Barnett, the district's UIL academic coordinator presented to the Board that during the 2006-2007 school year Franklin ISD had approximately 20% of the student body participate in the UIL academic competition with the largest increase in percentage at the high school level. Our goal for next year is 40%. The following facts summarize this year's participation.

- Reynolds Elementary School-West Zone Championship
- Franklin Middle School-District 26AA Championship
- Franklin High School-3<sup>rd</sup> Place overall district finish
- 182 students participated in competitions winning 265 awards. (91 first place, individual and team)
- 14 high school students advanced to regional competition (the most in Franklin history)
- 48 teachers/staff personnel coached
- 285 students and parents attended the first annual Academic Awards Banquet

Franklin Middle School hosted the Fall Literary Meet on December 1, 2006, with over 500 contestants from 8 schools participating.

Jim Hanks provided an update on facility construction stating that the red iron in the auditorium area is going up. All iron in the gym is up and the roof decking is almost in place. Brick is around the classroom wings and the inside walls are up in this area. HVAC, sprinkler pipe and electrical is being finished in the classroom area, library, and cafeteria. The elementary facility has seen all exterior walls go up and the interior walls for the classrooms are beginning to be put into place. HVAC, sprinkler and electrical is being installed.

**Action Items – Consensus**

The Board reviewed the minutes of the regular meeting on March 7, 2007, and the Superintendent's reports including monthly investments and payment of bills. The Board discussed approving a tax refund to Robertson County for Gladys Best in the amount of \$2,434.38 and to Conoco Phillips in the amount of \$667.66. Mr. Phillips made a motion, and Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion to approve these consensus items. Motion carried unanimously.

**Action Items – Non-Consensus**

The Board reviewed the 2007-2008 school calendar for FISD. Mr. Jones made a motion and Mr. Schultz seconded the motion to approve the proposed calendar. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed and discussed keeping Brazos Valley Insurance as the district's student athletic and activity insurance provider. The district has been with Brazos Valley for 12 years. Mr. Paceley made a motion and Mr. Schultz seconded the motion to approve Brazos Valley for the school year 2007-2008. Motion carried unanimously.

Eddie Trevino presented a proposed resolution to be signed by the FISD School Board in support of a sidewalk project along FM 1644 from the existing high school to Hearne Street that the City of Franklin is working on in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce. The City is submitting a grant that would fund up to \$750,000 of the project and is asking the school district if it would show support through a resolution for the need for this project. A motion was made by Mr. Schultz and seconded by Mr. Jones to sign the resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board regretfully accepted the resignations of Lucia Lincecum, Elizabeth Reinhardt, Nicole Tomascik, and Karon Bond.

Mr. Lowry recommended that the Board approve the hire of Jessica Koehn and Kari Knight as new teachers for FISD. Mr. Rhodes made a motion and Mr. Schultz seconded the motion to approve these new hires. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jones made a motion and Mr. Phillips seconded the motion to adjourn.

Adjournment.

Attest:

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Board President

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Board Secretary