

FRANKLIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
March 7, 2007 Board Minutes

The Franklin ISD Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on March 7, 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. Bobby Box, Mr. Scott Phillips and Mr. Randy Rhodes.

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

**Reports:**

Jim Hanks provided an update on facility construction stating that the red iron in the gym area is going up. The auditorium slab has been poured. Brick is going up around the classroom wings as well as inside walls going up in this area. HVAC, sprinkler pipe and electrical is being finished in the classroom area, library, and cafeteria. The elementary facility has seen red iron going up in all areas including roof decking. We should see HVAC work and outside walls in the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Steve Pierce from the Region 6 Service Center presented Roland Reynolds Elementary School with the Title I Distinguished Performance Award recognized by the Division of No Child Left Behind Program Coordination at the Texas Education Agency for the school year 2005-2006.

**Action Items – Consensus**

The Board reviewed the minutes of the regular meeting on February 14, 2007, and the Superintendent's reports including monthly investments and payment of bills. The Board discussed calling the May 12, 2007 School Board Election. Mr. Phillips made a motion, and Mr. Box seconded the motion to approve these consensus items. Motion carried unanimously.

**Action Items – Non-Consensus**

The Board discussed calling a school bond election for May 12, 2007. Mr. Lowry made a recommendation to the board that the bond package include two propositions. Proposition I includes money available for renovations to the existing high school and south classroom wings of the middle school, all technology infrastructure and FFE and three years of annual M&O items like buses, technology, furniture, equipment and minor renovations. Proposition II includes money available to complete a list of projects generated by the bond committee. The bond committee recommended giving priority to land, an elementary playground and park, an alternative practice gym, and renovations to the tennis courts and press box from a list of approximately twenty projects. After discussion and receiving input from the public, the board decided to call the bond for Proposition I in the amount of \$12 million and Proposition II in the amount of \$5 million. Mr. Rhodes made the motion and Mr. Jones seconded the motion to approve the bond election and the bond package, including the amounts. Motion carried unanimously.

The board discussed a possible increase in the district's contribution to employees' health benefits as well as additional local days. The board decided to postpone this item.

The board entered into closed session at 8:21 p.m. and reconvened into open session at 9:50 p.m.

In open session, Mr. Box made a motion and Mr. Jones seconded the motion to approve contracts for all certified employees of FISD for the school year 2007-2008. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schultz made a motion and Mr. Box seconded the motion to adjourn.

Adjournment.

Attest:

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Board President

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Board Secretary

