FRANKLIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT January 10, 2007 Board Minutes

The Franklin ISD Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on January 10, 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 and Mr. Scott Phillips. Randy Rhodes was absent.

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

<u>Reports:</u>

Jim Hanks provided an update on facility construction stating that 90% of all parking lots and driveways are complete. Concrete slabs have been poured in the administration, band hall and gym area. Roof decking is up in the classroom wings. At the Elementary site, all but the underground utilities are complete and the steel should start going up around the third week of January.

<u> Action Items – Consensus</u>

The Board reviewed the minutes of the regular meeting on December 13, 2006. The Board also reviewed the Superintendent's reports including monthly investments and payment of bills. Mr. Jones made a motion, and Mr. Phillips seconded the motion to approve these consensus items. Motion carried unanimously.

<u> Action Items – Non-Consensus</u>

Ms. Michelle Mathews presented information to the board concerning the transition from the districts current benefit provider to the East Texas Employee Benefits Cooperative. The board discussed comparisons between the two as well as the option for the district's employees to stay with the current provider or switch over at any time in the future. Mr. Schultz made a motion and Mr. Box seconded the motion to approve the Inter-local Agreement with the East Texas Employee Benefit Cooperative. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered into closed session at 7:03 p.m. and reconvened into open session at 11:10 p.m. In open session, Mr. Paceley made the motion to approve extending Mr. Lowry's contract one year keeping the superintendent on a three-year contract as well as setting his salary for the 2007-2008 school year at \$94,293. Mr. Box seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Adjournment.

Attest:

Board President

Board Secretary