

FRANKLIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
February 14, 2007 Board Minutes

The Franklin ISD Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on February 14, 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. Mr. Randy Rhodes was absent.

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

Reports:

Jim Hanks provided an update on facility construction stating that all support iron has been raised for the library, cafeteria and administration area of the new high school. The auditorium slab is being prepared and should be completed in a couple of weeks. The classrooms are almost finished with heating and air condition duct work as well as walls going up around the classroom wings. The Elementary facility has completed all vertical iron work and the roof decking is underway. All underground utilities are in.

Representing the bond committee was Rex Vickers. Mr. Vickers stated the committee appreciated the school board's commitment to completing the original projects recommended by the bond committee for the May 2005 bond. Mr. Vickers presented a list of projects the committee would like the school board to consider if the opportunity to do so presents itself in the future without raising the tax rate. The list of projects included additional land for growth, an alternate gym at the new high school, additional playground equipment for the three playground areas at the elementary school, including a walking track as well as renovations of the tennis courts and football stadium press box. These projects were chosen by the committee from a list of over twenty projects compiled by the committee with input from the Franklin community.

Action Items – Consensus

The Board reviewed the minutes of the regular meeting on January 10, 2007, and the Superintendent's reports including monthly investments and payment of bills. The Board decided to move the regular March meeting from March 14, 2007 to the March 8, 2007. The Board discussed approving a tax refund in the amount of \$1,373.25 to Carroll Ray Commander and Barbara Ann Heft. Mr. Phillips made a motion, and Mr. Box seconded the motion to approve these consensus items. Motion carried unanimously.

Action Items – Non-Consensus

Ms. Linda Braswell presented to the School Board the 2007 Fisd Dyslexia Plan for their approval. This plan outlines the areas the district will focus on to improve our services provided to students with dyslexia. The plan is attached. Mr. Paceley made a motion and Mr. Phillips seconded the motion to approve this plan. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Lowry spoke to the Board about open enrollment in the district's Pre-K program. This would allow any child to begin their education in the district's Pre-K program at the age of four. This program will allow our students to get a head start on the education. Mr. Schultz made a motion and Mr. Paceley seconded the motion to approve open enrollment in this program. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Frieda presented to the board the textbook adoptions for Math at the middle school and high school level that the district staff has chosen for the upcoming years. The adoption includes HOLT as its recommended textbook supplier. Mr. Box made a motion and Mr. Phillips seconded the motion to approve this adoption. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Adjournment.

Attest:

Board President

Board Secretary

