

BOARD



Texarkana
Independent School District

BRIEFS

*A Summary of the Minutes from the
TISD Board of Trustees Meeting
April 16, 2013*

Board of Trustees 2012-2013

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The Board of Trustees meets in regular session on the third Tuesday of each month, and at other times as necessary.

The meetings are held at 6:00 p.m. at the TISD Services Building, 1600 Waterall, or at other designated locations in the District. The public is welcome to attend all meetings.

Citizens wishing to address the Board may speak on issues other than personnel during the Public Forum, an agenda item for all regular Board meetings.

At the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held on Tuesday, April 16, the Board of Trustees conducted the following business:

ADJOURNED *to a seventy minute closed session.*

CONDUCTED *an open forum. Hazel Cotton spoke during the open forum concerning the budget and CSCOPE curriculum.*

RECEIVED *information from Superintendent Paul Norton that the legislative session is continuing to address issues such as accountability and assessment, with the budget being the main topic of discussion. He also informed the Board that there is a public portal for CSCOPE – www.publicmycscope.us, and he encouraged the public to view the web site. Supt. Norton also informed the Board that TISD is working to make sure the curriculum is appropriate for TISD, and he and Lori Ables responded to Board members questions concerning CSCOPE. He also informed the Board of the following field trips – 1) Spring Lake Park Elementary students to Sci-Port in Shreveport, LA for Science TEKS May 16, 2013; 2) Texas High School DECA students to Anaheim, California for International Competition April 23-27, 2013; 3) Texas High School Business Professionals of America to Orlando, Florida for National Leadership Conference competition May 8-12, 2013; 4) Texas High student Caleb Strutton to compete for the Dean's List Award at FIRST Championship in St. Louis, MO April 24-28; and 5) Westlawn fifth grade students to Mid-America Museum in Hot Springs, Arkansas May 10, 2013.*

APPROVED *minutes of the March 19, 2013 regular Board of Trustees meeting.*

APPROVED *personnel recommendations listed below:*

1) Resignations/Retirement

All resignations and retirements are effective June 12, 2013 unless otherwise noted.

Alternative Education Programs

Barber, Amy – Virtual Academy Teacher – Resignation

Texas High School

Carrell, Nathan – Math Teacher – Resignation

*Deese, John – Director of Performing Arts/Texas High Band
– Retirement, effective June 30, 2013*

Texas Middle School

McDaniel, Donna – Principal – Resignation, effective June 30, 2013

2) Elections/Assignments

Texas High School

Dickerson, Laren Kyle – Physical Education Teacher/Coach

APPROVED *monthly investment report.*

APPROVED *proposal for 1) Spring Lake Park Elementary kitchen addition structural package (dirt work, slab and metal building) to Contech totaling \$120,884.15.*

ACCEPTED *Partners in Education donations for period March 2013 totaling \$4,774.72.*

APPROVED *waiver for low attendance days.*

APPROVED *monthly financial report.*

APPROVED *monthly expenditures.*

ACCEPTED *first reading of the 2013-2014 budget.*

APPROVED *proposed elementary realignment which will establish a pre-kindergarten campus at Dunbar, a kindergarten through second grade campus at Theron Jones, and a third, fourth, and fifth grade campus at Westlawn starting with the 2013-2014 school year.*

APPROVED *lease between Texarkana ISD and Community Services of Northeast Texas, Inc. Head Start Program.*

APPROVED *memorandum of understanding between Texarkana ISD and Community Services of Northeast Texas, Inc. Head Start Program.*

APPROVED *appointment of Board member Paul Miller to continue serving on the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Advisory Board with the City of Texarkana, Texas.*

RECEIVED *a report on the Theron Jones Early Literacy Center from Principal Jennell Ingram.*

RECOGNIZED *Mr. Scott Bruner for his dedication and service to the district.*

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2013.**