

BOARD



Texarkana
Independent School District

BRIEFS

*A Summary of the Minutes from the
TISD Board of Trustees Meeting
August 21, 2012*

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, August 21, the Board of Trustees conducted the following business:*
- ADJOURNED** *to a one hour and two minutes closed session.*
- CONDUCTED** *an open forum; there was no response from the audience.*
- RECEIVED** *information from Superintendent Norton reminding the Board members of the upcoming annual TASA/TASB Convention in Austin, Texas September 28-30, 2012. He also informed the Board that he had attended a meeting with Representative George Lavender and area Superintendents about the upcoming session and topics concerning the school districts. Representative Lavender said he would keep the Superintendents informed about issues affecting education.*
- APPROVED** *minutes of the July 17, 2012 regular Board of Trustees meeting.*
- APPROVED** *personnel recommendations listed below:*
- 1) Resignations/Retirement**
All resignations and retirements are effective June 8, 2012 unless otherwise noted.
- Adult Education/OPTIONS**
Cash, Aaron – Social Studies Teacher and Administrative Intern – Resignation
- OPTIONS**
Hart, Mary Shanion – Science Teacher – Resignation
- Texas High School**
Keith, Kelley – Math and Science Teacher – Resignation
- 2) Elections/Assignments**
- Highland Park Elementary**
Coston, Samuel – Fifth Grade Science Teacher
Montiel Contreras, Esmeralda – Third Grade Bilingual Teacher
Norton, Eric – Assistant Principal – Move to Eleven Month Administrator Contract
- Martha and Josh Morriss Elementary**
Williamson, Tara – Third Grade Teacher (STEM)
- Nash Elementary**
Parker, Stephanie – Kindergarten Teacher
- Texas Middle School**
Friesen, Michael – Eighth Grade English Teacher
Guzman, Maria – Spanish Teacher
Huffstetler, BJ – Sixth Grade Science Teacher
Maddox, Jennifer – Seventh and Eighth Grade Applied Math Teacher
McNamee, Kristen – Special Education Teacher
Tellez, Amy – Special Education Teacher
- Texas High School**
Fuqua, Whitney – Special Education Teacher
Gaeth, Benjamin – Sixth Grade Science Teacher
Jordan, Renee – TAKS/End-of-Course Math and Science Teacher
Stark, Cecilia – Spanish Teacher
- Wake Village Elementary**
Langley, Shondra – Special Education Teacher
Zaragoza, Jeanne – Special Education Teacher, Deaf Education
- Westlawn Elementary**
Webb, Christin – Third Grade Teacher
- APPROVED** *monthly investment report.*
- APPROVED** *cooperative purchasing fees report for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 to Buy Board totaling \$640.84 for a % of purchases fee paid by vendors plus rebate of % of purchases paid to TISD; National Intergovernmental Purchasing Alliance (NIPA) totaling \$117.82 for a % of purchases fee paid by vendors to NIPA; Texas Procurement and Support Services (TPASS) totaling \$100.00 to be paid directly by TISD to TPASS, annually, as a membership fee; The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) totaling \$60,060.02 for a % of purchases fee paid by vendors to TIPS; US Communities totaling \$1.47 for a % of purchases fee paid by vendors to US Communities; and purchases over \$25,000 which were made through purchasing cooperatives during the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 include the following vendors and purchase amounts: Carrier - \$3,298,755.00, CDWG - \$32,480.81, CDWG - \$44,523.39, INX - \$127,564.09.*
- ACCEPTED** *Partners in Education donations for period July 2012 totaling \$1,759.00.*
- APPROVED** *Memorandum of Understanding with Windstream Communications for a one-time payment of \$5,000.00 for the easement property agreement located at 3201 Lincoln Street, Texarkana, Texas. The land easement of a 20 X 30 foot section of TISD property will allow Windstream the right to use the property for their communication facility.*
- APPROVED** *the Bowie County 4-H Adjunct Faculty Agreement and Resolution for the 2012-2013 school year.*
- APPROVED** *the TISD Employee Handbook and updated topics for 2012-2013.*
- APPROVED** *TISD Professional Development and Appraisal System (PDAS) Appraiser List for 2012-2013 as presented.*
- APPROVED** *Student Code of Conduct and changes presented for 2012-2013.*
- APPROVED** *authorizing the Superintendent or his designee, Kevin McCarty, Coordinator Quality Assurance/MIS, to sign and submit the United States Patent and Trademark Office application number 85451894 to secure ownership of the knoMi logo.*
- APPROVED** *state expedited/general waivers for early release, modified schedule/state assessment days waiver, staff development, and timeline for accelerated instruction waiver for a three-year interval.*
- APPROVED** *amendment to Policy FEB(Local) – Attendance Accounting for the OPTIONS campus.*
- APPROVED** *monthly financial report.*
- APPROVED** *monthly expenditures.*
- APPROVED** *certified appraised values and adoption of an ordinance to set a tax rate on \$100 valuation for the District for the tax year 2012 at a local tax rate of \$1.339, to be assessed and collected by the duly specified assessor and collector as follows: \$1.17 for the purpose of maintenance and operation and \$.169 for the purpose of payment of principal and interest on debts, noting that this is the same tax rate for the past four years.*
- APPROVED** *Texas Association of School Administrators (TASA) resolution concerning high stakes and standardized testing of Texas public school students as presented.*
- RECEIVED** *a report on the OPTIONS campus and the Virtual Academy from Principal Marsha Burris.*
- RECEIVED** *student handbooks updates to reflect current policies, procedures and legal requirements for the elementary schools, middle school, high school, and OPTIONS.*
- RECEIVED** *a report on the preliminary AYP results from TEA.*

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2012