

# BOARD



**Texarkana**  
Independent School District

# BRIEFS

*A Summary of the Minutes from the  
TISD Board of Trustees Meeting  
January 15, 2013*

## Board of Trustees 2012-2013

**Wanda Boyette**  
*President  
District 3*

**Paul Miller**  
*Vice President  
At Large - District 6*

**Bill Kimbro**  
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District 1*

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*District 2*

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*At Large - District 7*

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*District 4*

**Bryan DePriest**  
*District 5*

*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.*

- ADJOURNED** *to a thirty minute first closed session.*
- APPOINTED** *Mr. Gerald Brooks to fill the vacancy on the Board of Trustees, District 2, left by Dr. James Grant.*
- ADMINISTERED** *the oath of office to Mr. Gerald Brooks.*
- ADJOURNED** *to a one hour and seven minutes second closed session.*
- RECOGNIZED** *the Board of Trustees for their tireless work and dedication to the staff and students of Texarkana ISD in honor of School Board Recognition month. Students from the Texas High School Vocal Ensemble sang the Twelve Months of Service for the Board members and presented them with gifts of appreciation. The Board then recognized recipients of the recent Innovative Educator Grants from the Texarkana Public Schools Foundation.*
- CONDUCTED** *an open forum; there was no response from the audience.*
- CONDUCTED** *a public hearing concerning the AEIS Report and the NCLB Status Report; there was no participation from the audience.*
- RECEIVED** *information from Superintendent Paul Norton that the legislative session is in full swing and specifically issues such as accountability, end-of-course testing, graduation plans and school safety were being addressed. He also informed the Board of an upcoming field trip request from the Texas High School Young Democrats Club to Little Rock on 1-25-2013 to visit the Clinton Library.*
- APPROVED** *minutes of the November 27, 2012 regular Board of Trustees meeting.*
- APPROVED** *personnel recommendations listed below:*
- 1) Resignations/Retirement**
- Texas High School**  
*Pipes, Malissa – English Teacher – resignation effective December 21, 2012*
- Texas Middle School**  
*Ruff, Amy – STEM Social Studies Teacher – resignation effective December 21, 2012*
- 2) Elections/Assignments**
- Texas High School**  
*Lawings, Melodie – Health Science Teacher  
Robertson, Shannon – Government Teacher  
Simmons, Andrew – Horticulture Teacher  
Strebeck, Shelby – English Teacher*
- APPROVED** *monthly investment report.*
- APPROVED** *proposals for 1) custodial equipment and supplies to be purchased during the period January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2015 to Abernathy, AmSan Texarkana, Auto-Chlor and Chemsearch; 2) screen print vendor to be used throughout the District to Scoreboard as the primary vendor for all items and Sports Magic as the secondary vendor; 3) temporary services vendor for workers for the Child Nutrition Department, Maintenance Department and the Building Maintenance Department which consists of cafeteria work, general labor and custodial work, respectively, to Express Employment Professionals as the primary vendor, Temporary Services Unlimited as the secondary vendor, and Select Staff as the tertiary vendor.*
- ACCEPTED** *Partners in Education donations for period December 2012 totaling \$13,357.80.*
- APPROVED** *resolution to suspend portions of Policies EIA(Local) and EIE(Local) for the 2012–2013 school year, noting that with this deferment, EOC grades will not be used to calculate the final course grades or class rank.*
- APPROVED** *amendment to Policy FL(Local) – Student Records – Directory Information.*
- APPROVED** *maximum class size exception waiver for Wake Village Elementary – additional 2nd grade and 2 additional 4th grade sections.*
- APPROVED** *monthly financial report.*
- APPROVED** *monthly expenditures.*
- APPROVED** *Texas Middle School 2013-2014 Program of Studies and Course Description Guide.*
- RECEIVED** *a report on the Dunbar Intermediate Center Campus and the Texas Middle School campus.*

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2013.**