

BOARD



Texarkana
Independent School District

BRIEFS

*A Summary of the Minutes from the
TISD Board of Trustees Meeting
January 20, 2015*

Board of Trustees 2014-2015

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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.

- ADJOURNED** to a fifty-two minute closed session.
- RECOGNIZED** The Board recognized the recipients of the Texarkana Public Schools Foundation Innovative Teacher Grants and the Board members for School Board Recognition Month.
- CONDUCTED** a public forum. Mr. Benjamin Dennis spoke during the open forum concerning the plan for failing campuses and the lack of diversity on the Board and in administration.
- CONDUCTED** a public hearing on the TAPR Report and NCLB status. There was no participation from the audience and the public hearing concluded at 7:41 p.m.
- RECEIVED** information from Superintendent Norton on current legislative issues. Superintendent Norton also informed the Board of upcoming field trips for Texas High REACH Students to visit Clinton Library in Little Rock, Arkansas on February 18, 2015, Texas High TigerVision Students to attend the Student Television Network Annual Convention in San Diego, California on March 30 - April 4, 2015 and Texas High Students to visit Crater of Diamonds State Park and Hot Springs National Park in Murfreesboro and Hot Springs, Arkansas on May 15, 2015.
- APPROVED** minutes of the December 16, 2014 Regular Board meeting.
- APPROVED** personnel recommendations listed below:
- 1) Resignations/Retirement**
- Paul Laurence Dunbar Early Education Center**
Davis, Abigail – Pre-Kindergarten Teacher – Resignation, effective January 29, 2015
- Texas High School**
Bryant, Jeffrey – Teacher/Coach – Resignation, effective January 14, 2015
- Wake Village Elementary School**
Chavez, Tonya – Third Grade Teacher – Resignation, effective January 30, 2015
- 2) Elections/Assignments**
- Paul Laurence Dunbar Early Education Center**
Wood, Morgan – Pre-Kindergarten Teacher
- Wake Village Elementary School**
Proksch, Skye – Third Grade Teacher
- 3) Proposed Renewals, Non Renewals, Terminations/Suspensions**
- None
- APPROVED** monthly investment report.
- APPROVED** proposals for 1) marker board and tack board vendor awarded to Missco; 2) telephone service and internet service awarded to Windstream for one year, July 2015-June 2016.
- ACCEPTED** Partners in Education donations for the period December 2014 totaling \$80,918.07.
- APPROVED** a maximum class size waiver request for Highland Park Elementary – 2 sections and Spring Lake Park Elementary – 2 sections.
- APPROVED** a Resolution for Certificates of Deposit, or Other Secured Interest Bearing Accounts or other Interest Bearing Accounts within FDIC Insured Limit to be purchased by District from various financial institutions.
- APPROVED** TASB Update 101 noting local policies affected – BE (Local); CH (Local); DGBA (Local); EB (Local); FFG (Local); FMG (Local); FNG (Local); GF (Local).
- APPROVED** discontinuing Texarkana ISD Virtual Academy at end of school year and notification of Calvert Education of nonrenewal of contract for Texarkana ISD Virtual Academy.
- APPROVED** termination of Southwest Securities advisory agreement.
- APPROVED** monthly financial report.
- APPROVED** monthly expenditures.
- APPROVED** new financial advisory agreement with SAMCO Capital Markets, Incorporated.
- APPROVED** order calling for Trustee election
- APPROVED** Adoption of Annual Tuition Rate for Ineligible Students
- RECEIVED** a report on the review plan of finance for the upcoming bond sale.
- RECEIVED** a report on the Dunbar campus from Principal Taryn Wells.

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2015.**