

# BOARD



**Texarkana**  
Independent School District

# BRIEFS

*A Summary of the Minutes from the  
TISD Board of Trustees Meeting  
May 13, 2014*

## Board of Trustees 2013-2014

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

**Wanda Boyette**  
*Vice President*  
*District 3*

**Bill Kimbro**  
*Secretary*  
*District 1*

**Gerald Brooks**  
*District 2*

**Jerry Chapman**  
*District 4*

**Bryan DePriest**  
*District 5*

**Fred Norton, Jr.**  
*At Large - District 7*

*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, May 13, the Board of Trustees conducted the following business:*

- ADMINISTERED** *the oaths of office to Board members Mr. Gerald Brooks, Mr. Jerry Chapman, and Mr. Fred Norton, Jr.*
- ADJOURNED** *to a sixty-five minute closed session.*
- ELECTED** *Board officers for the 2014-2015 school year – President – Paul Miller, Vice President – Wanda Boyette, and Secretary – Bill Kimbro.*
- RECOGNIZED** *Duke University Talent Identification Program State Recognized Students – Connor Allred, Madison Brown, Chandler Bursey-Reece, Natalio Castaneda, Micah Collins, Kaitlyn Cross, Jasmine Geyer, Kevin Jacob, Hannah Klein, Carson McCarver, Cameron Murry, Justin Portwood, John Powell, Thomas Strutton, Kayla Walthall, Kearstan Williams and Jett Wolf.*
- CONDUCTED** *a public forum. Mr. Ben King spoke in appreciation of Nash Elementary teachers.*
- RECEIVED** *information from Superintendent Norton of an upcoming field trip – Westlawn students to Air U Indoor Trampoline Park in Shreveport, LA 5-28 and 5-29-2014. He also reminded the Board members of the Texas High graduation ceremony on June 7 and the OPTIONS graduation ceremony on May 31st. Superintendent Norton also informed the Board of the dates of the upcoming annual TASA/TASB Convention in Dallas, Texas September 26-28, 2014.*
- APPROVED** *minutes of the April 15, 2014 regular Board meeting.*
- APPROVED** *personnel recommendations listed below:*

**1) Resignations/Retirement** *(all resignations and retirements are effective June 11, 2014, unless otherwise noted.)*

**Highland Park Elementary**

*Ray, Joseph – Fifth Grade Teacher – Retirement, effective May 31, 2014*

**Nash Elementary**

*Ross, Bobbie Nell – First Grade Teacher*

**OPTIONS**

*Nicholas, Cheryl – Home Bound Teacher*

**Spring Lake Park Elementary**

*Burris, Paula – First Grade Teacher – Retirement, effective May 31, 2014*

*London Hayes, Debra – Fifth Grade Teacher – Retirement, effective May 31, 2014*

*Weir, Suzanne – Kindergarten Teacher – Retirement, effective May 31, 2014*

**Texas High**

*Jordan, Renee – Algebra I Teacher*

*McCoy, Britney – Family Consumer Science Teacher*

*Murry, Susan Ryan – English Teacher – Retirement, effective May 31, 2014*

*Robertson, Shannon – Government Teacher*

*Simmons, Andrew Blake – Horticulture Science Teacher*

*Watson, John M. – Teacher/Coach – Retirement, effective May 31, 2014*

**Theron Jones**

*Austin, Amanda – Second Grade Teacher*

**Wake Village**

*Gildon, Melissa – Fourth Grade Teacher*

*Haselow, Michelle – Pre-Kindergarten Teacher – Retirement, effective May 31, 2014*

*Norton, Janice – Math Interventionist Teacher – Retirement, effective May 31, 2014*

*VanDam, Misty – Counselor*

**Westlawn**

*Whitehead, Sara – Fifth Grade Math Teacher*

**2) Elections/Assignments**

**Dunbar Elementary**

*Wells, Taryn – Principal – 12 month Administrative Contract*

**Nash Elementary**

*De Le Fuenta, Blance – Bilingual Teacher*

**Texas High**

*Bryant, Zachary – Teacher/Coach*

**Theron Jones**

*Quam, Bailee – Kindergarten Teacher*

**Texas Middle School**

*Wint, Alyson – Spanish Teacher*

**3) 2014-2015 Teacher Contract Proposed Renewals, Non Renewals, Terminations/Suspensions**

- APPROVED** *monthly investment report.*
- APPROVED** *proposals for 1) fuel vendor to Truman Arnold Co. for all items; 2) vehicles to McLarty Ford totaling \$33,780.00; 3) video board for Tiger Stadium to Nevco totaling \$279,336.14.*
- ACCEPTED** *Partners in Education donations for the period April 2014 totaling \$11, 118.04.*
- APPROVED** *monthly financial report.*
- APPROVED** *monthly expenditures.*
- APPROVED** *adoption of an order authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds, establishing the parameters of the refunding program and delegating authority to the administration.*
- APPROVED** *second reading of budget FY 2014-2015.*
- APPROVED** *changing the date of the June 2014 Board of Trustees meeting to June 24, 2014 to allow the administration more time before finalization of the final budget.*
- RECEIVED** *a report on the Nash Elementary campus from Principal Brandy Debenport.*
- RECEIVED** *a report on the STEM Program from Ronda Jameson, Director of STEM Education.*

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2014.**