

GARRISON ISD BOARD MINUTES
Tuesday, October 16, 2012
Public Hearing & Regular Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
High School Building – Multi-Purpose Room

Public Hearing 7:00 p.m.

Regular Board Meeting 7:05 p.m.

1. Call to Order and Establish Quorum –

President Bart Reneau called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. A quorum was present and due notice had been mailed and published. Bart Reneau, Russell O'Dell, Paul Jopling, Billy Cooper, Olan Woodard, Jr. and Michael Hammer were present. Wes Chandler was absent.

2. Invocation –

Russell O'Dell led in prayer.

3. Comments from the Public –

No one signed up for Open Forum.

4. Receive and Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings

Olan Woodard, Jr. made a motion to amend the minutes of the September 18, 2012 minutes on agenda item #13 to read, "Wes Chandler made a motion to accept the budget amendments in the amount of \$19,000.00 for the band instruments."

Billy Cooper made a second to the motion.

The vote was 4-0 with Paul Jopling abstaining due to absence.

Olan Woodard, Jr. then made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2012 meeting.

Russell O'Dell made a second to the motion.

The vote was 4-0 with Paul Jopling abstaining due to absence.

5. Bills and Accounts for September 2012 –

The bills and accounts for September 2012 were reviewed.

6. Budget Report

Mr. Webb reviewed the monthly budget report.

7. Quarterly Delinquent Tax Report

Carol Stanaland explained the quarterly delinquent tax report to the board.

8. Principal Reports –

Ms. McKnight reported an elementary school enrollment of 362 and 97.3% attendance.

She also informed the board of the upcoming field trips, school pictures, and the end of the 2nd 6 weeks and the Thanksgiving Holidays. Mrs. McKnight also reported that they have divided the Pre-K classes placing 15 in each classroom and this is really working out well. They have also transitioned Pre-K back into the cafeteria and everything is going much smoother. Benchmarks have been administered and teachers are using data to determine what they will teach during tutorials and to readdress some points in the regular classroom.

Mr. Metcalf, middle school principal, had an enrollment of 180 and 96.9% attendance. He then informed the board that GMS students are almost midway of the second six weeks grading period. Teachers are providing extra tutorial time for students in 6-8 Math and 6-8 Reading. GMS teachers are working harder and stepping up to the task. They are incorporating some new strategies, new terminology, and implementing some new things learned from teacher training.

Lance Bernard reported high school had an enrollment of 208 and 97.07%. He informed the board of student achievements in FFA. Mr. Bernard commended Andy and Kristin for a job well done and had the Pineywoods Fair Banners on display. He also provided a list of the FFA students accomplishments at the fair.

Total enrollment for the District was 760.

9. Superintendent Report

Mr. Webb reported to the board that the painting in the dressing facilities, ceilings, floor and the gym were complete. There is still some plumbing that needs to be done as well as setting the rest of the toilets and relocating the washer and dryer in order to utilize that space for storage and to remove the pipe in order to open up another shower. These jobs should be completed in about 2 weeks.

Mr. Webb then reported that Jo Hartt had contacted him concerning a new organization called Garrison Special Projects Group. This group will be promoting community involvement through festivals such as a Christmas Festival on December 9th and Mr. Walker has agreed to have the band concert coincide with this Festival. Her request involving the school was concerning inclement weather and whether or not they would be allowed access to the gym. Mr. Webb wanted to get the boards input as to whether or not this might be an option. He will check with local policy and let the board know.

Mr. Webb then reported that the baseball field parking lot has been completed.

10. TASB Update 95

Mr. Webb provided the board with Vantage Points concerning Update 95. He will ask for approval at next month's board meeting.

11. Adoption of FIRST Rating

Garrison ISD received their 9th straight Superior Rating and Mrs. Stanaland reported to the board the FIRST report during the public hearing prior to the board meeting.

Russell O'Dell made a motion to approve the FIRST Rating as presented.

Paul Jopling made a second to the motion.

The vote was 4-0.

12. Resolution Concerning High Stakes Standardized Testing of Texas Public School Students

Mr. Webb provided the board with a copy of the resolution concerning high stakes standardized testing of Texas public school students.

Paul Jopling made a motion to approve the resolution as presented.

Michael Hammer made a second to the motion.

The vote was 4-0.

13. Donations

Michael Hammer made a motion to approve the donations as presented.
Billy Cooper made a second to the motion.
The vote was 4-0.

14. Proposals for District Vehicle

Mr. Webb presented the proposals received for purchasing a new district vehicle. It was Mr. Webb’s recommendation to purchase a 2013 Ford Expedition from Excel Ford in Carthage, Texas in the amount of \$31,084.65.
Paul Jopling made a motion to accept the proposal for a 2013 Ford Expedition from Excel Ford in the amount of \$31,084.65.
Russell O’Dell made a second to the motion.
The vote was 4-0.

15. Ballot for the Nacogdoches County Appraisal District Board of Directors

Mr. Webb will accept any nominations interested in filling the vacancy left by Dr. Lisa Mize on the Nacogdoches County Appraisal District Board of Directors. There were no nominations put before the board.

16. Budget Amendment

There were no budget amendments

17. Superintendent Recommendations Regarding Professional Personnel (Gov’t Code §551.074)

The board president adjourned the board meeting into closed session at 7:55 p.m. pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Acts 551.074. The board returned to open session 8:37 p.m.

Russell O’Dell made a motion to hire Crystal Bradsher as a Music/Asst. Band Director on a 141 day 1 year probationary contract.
Michael Hammer made a second to the motion.
The vote 5-0.
Mr. Webb then reminded the board of the Board Operating Procedures meeting, Monday, October 22, 2012 at 6:00. The meeting is to be held in the multi-purpose room and a meal will be provided as well as 3 hours board training credit.

18. Adjourn –

The board president adjourned the meeting 8:40 P.M.

Bart Reneau, President

Mike Hammer, Secretary