

GARRISON ISD BOARD MINUTES
Thursday, November 17, 2016
Regular Board Meeting Immediately following Public Hearing @6:30
GISD - Library

Regular Board Meeting 6:41 p.m.

1. Call to Order and Establish Quorum –

President Wes Chandler called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m. A quorum was present and due notice had been mailed and published. Members present were: Bart Reneau, Olan Woodard, Jr., Glenn Ramsey, Wes Chandler, Lane Barton and Matt Barrett.

2. Invocation –

Billy Cooper led in prayer.

3. Comments from the Public –

No one signed up for Open Forum.

4. Receive and Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings

Billy Cooper made a motion to approve the minutes of October 20, 2016.

Matt Barrett made a second to the motion.

The vote was unanimous with one abstention, Bart Reneau was absent.

5. Bills and Accounts for October 2016

The bills and accounts for October 2016 were reviewed by the Board.

6. Budget Report

Patterson Hill supplied the board with a monthly budget report for their review.

7. Investment Discussion

Patterson Hill gave a report to the board on current investments and asked for input on upcoming renewals

8. Principal Reports –

Mr. Crawford reported an enrollment of 341 students with an ADA average of 97.48.

He provided a handout listing his campus recent events as well as upcoming events.

Mr. Bynum reported an enrollment of 149 students with an ADA of 98.63.

He provided a handout listing his campus activities and upcoming events.

Mr. Spivey reported an enrollment of 223 with an ADA of 96.59.

He provide a handout and explained recent CBA scores and other various activities as well as upcoming events.

9. Withdrawal as Fiscal Agent to the Nacogdoches County Cooperative Shared Services Arrangement effective June 30, 2017

Bart Reneau made a motion that the board approve the district’s withdrawal as fiscal agent to the Nacogdoches County Cooperative Shared Services Arrangement in accordance with Section 4.6 of the SSA Agreement, and authorize the Superintendent to provide any and all notifications required under the SSA Agreement and law, including but not limited to, notice to TEA and SSA member districts, to make the withdrawal effective June 30, 2017.

Glenn Ramsey made a second to the motion.

The vote was unanimous.

10. Resolution Calling On The Texas Legislature To Remove the Unfair Penalty For Small Schools With Less Than 300 Square Miles

It was Mr. Cooper’s recommendation that the Garrison ISD Board of Trustees adopt a resolution calling on the Texas Legislature to remove the unfair penalty for small schools with less than 300 square miles.

Glenn Ramsey made a motion to adopt the resolution as presented.

Matt Barrett made a second to the motion.

The vote was unanimous.

11. Report of the Garrison ISD “ASTAR” Committee

Mr. Cooper and Mr. Hill reported that the committee of seven teachers met on two separate occasions and discussed the state revenue and upcoming shortfall that GISD will face next year.

Mr. Cooper stated that they worked as a group to devise a plan that will reduce faculty/staff costs in the district, while making the least impact possible on instruction.

The committee’s decision was presented to the board.

After some discussion, the board and Mr. Cooper will continue to look at all options.

12. Report on needed Heat/AC Projects

Mr. Cooper informed the board that the cafeteria was in need of a new air condition/heating system. He shared with the board 3 different quotes he had received in replacing these units.

This was informational and no action was taken during the meeting.

13. Donations

There were no donations during November to report.

14. Budget Amendment

There was no budget amendment.

14. Superintendent Recommendations Regarding Professional Personnel (Gov’t Code §551.074 and §551.076)

The board president adjourned the board meeting into closed session at 8:09 P.M. pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Acts 551.074.

The board returned to open session at 9:10 P.M.

Matt Barrett made a motion to accept the resignation of Treva Rhodes effective December 20, 2016.

Olan Woodard, Jr. made a second to the motion.

The vote was unanimous.

Bart Reneau made a motion to hire Sarah Cunningham as a Speech Language Pathologist Assistant (SPLA) on a 187 day contract beginning November 28, 2016.

Matt Barrett made a second to the motion.

The vote was unanimous.

Glenn Ramsey made a motion to hire Mark Whitehead as an ARD Facilitator on a 197 day contract beginning in January of 2017.

Bart Reneau made a second to the motion.

The vote was unanimous.

Matt Barrett made a motion to hire LeaAnn Robertson as an ARD Facilitator on a 197 day contract beginning in January of 2017.

Olan Woodard, Jr. made a second to the motion.

The vote was unanimous.

15. Adjourn –

The board president adjourned the meeting at 9:12 P.M.

Wes Chandler, President

Billy Cooper, Secretary