

GARRISON ISD BOARD MINUTES
Thursday, November 18, 2010
Regular Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
High School Building – Multi-Purpose Room

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1. Call to Order and Establish Quorum –

President Bart Reneau called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A quorum was present and due notice had been mailed and published. Members present were: Bart Reneau, Paul Jopling, Glenn Ramsey, Mike Hammer, Lane Barton, Billy Cooper and Russell O'Dell.

2. Invocation –

Bart Reneau led in prayer.

3. Comments from the Public –

No one signed up for Open Forum.

4. Receive and Approve Minutes of November 18, 2010

The minutes of November 18, 2010 were received.

Lane Barton made a motion to approve the minutes.

Michael Hammer made a second to the motion.

The vote was unanimous.

5. Bills and Accounts for October 2010 –

The bills and accounts for October 2010 were reviewed by the Board.

6. Budget Report –

Carol Stanaland supplied the board with a monthly budget report for their review.

7. Consider the adoption of an Order authorizing the issuance of Garrison ISD Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2010; and all other related thereto-

Ed Moore of Southwest Securities was present to present the Board the Order Authorizing the Issuance of Garrison ISD Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2010; and all other related thereto. Mr. Moore informed the board that for a school district our size we are doing fantastic in handling our finances. We are paying of the present bond off that was 4.998 and replacing with a 3.165% thus saving the district \$168,338.00.

Russell O'Dell made the motion to accept the order authorizing the issuance of Garrison ISD Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2010; and all other related thereto.

Paul Jopling made a second to the motion.

The vote was unanimous.

8. Technology Report

Tony Jacobs, District Technology Director provided the board with an update on the district's technology report, as well as a district needs assessment. He reported that the most pressing problem is the bandwidth and at some point in the near future it will need to be increased.

9. Consideration of Level 3 Parent Complaint (Tex. Gov't Code 551.082; 551.0821; 551.074; and 551.071)

The Level 3 was postponed by agreement.

Board President, Bart Reneau, moved to agenda item #13.

13. Principal Reports –

Mrs. McKnight reported an elementary school enrollment of 346 with an ADA of 96.3%. The Elementary Thanksgiving program will be November 19th at 10:00 in the middle school gym. The 4th grade will be taking a field trip to the Super Science Circus and Planetarium on the 22nd. Mrs. McKnight also reported that there will be a TAKS celebration Field trip for their campus being exemplary! Mrs. McKnight informed the board that the Elementary Christmas program will be December 17th at 9:00 in the middle school gym.

Mr. Metcalf reported a middle school enrollment of 172, with an ADA of 97.5%. He reported that we are 3 weeks away from ending the 1st semester. The 7th and 8th grade girl's basketball is underway. Mr. Metcalf reported that the middle school cheerleaders had been invited to cheer at the playoff game Friday night with the high school cheerleaders.

Mr. Bernard reported a high school enrollment of 207 with an ADA of 96.69%.

He reported that girl's basketball has started and they are really playing hard and fun to watch. Mr. Bernard also stated that he is excited about the playoff game Friday night against West Sabine and knows everyone is looking forward to that.

The band Christmas concert is scheduled for December 9, 2010 and is always worth attending!

Mr. Bernard added that he was really proud of his teachers and students this 1st semester.

Total enrollment for the district was 725.

14. Facility Report

Mr. Webb informed the board that the construction projects were going well and continued to be ahead of schedule. The 4th grade wing is almost totally completed; the girl's facility and band hall is coming along nicely. The outside lighting is up, and Mr. Webb is getting quotes on furniture for the 4th grade building and he will be bringing you some figures in the near future.

He then updated the board on the high school gym reporting that there is a problem with water standing under the bleachers when it rains and plans are being made to address the problem.

Also, plans are being finalized to correct problem with the beam. Mr. Webb expects the work to start the week after Thanksgiving.

15. Consider Approval of Purchasing Playground Equipment

Mr. Webb asked for board approval on the purchasing of \$33,773.00 worth of playground equipment; of that cost 7500.00 is for the installation of the equipment. The company should be able to have the equipment installed over the Christmas break, then GISD will be responsible for putting down the mulch and hopefully the kids will be able to use their new playground by the middle of January.

Glenn Ramsey made the motion to purchase the new playground equipment at the cost of \$33,773.00.

Russell O'Dell made a second to the motion.

The vote was unanimous.

16. Investment Report

Carol Stanaland reviewed the Investment Report with the Board.
Lane Barton made the motion to approve the investment report as presented by Carol Stan land.
Paul Joplin made a second to the motion.
The vote was unanimous.

17. Transportation Report

Mr. Webb gave the transportation report.
Paul Joplin made a motion to accept the transportation report as presented.
Russell O’Dell made a second to the motion.
The vote was unanimous.

18. Request Proposals for School Bus

Mr. Webb was asking the board to allow him to accept proposals on a new school bus.
Michael Hammer made a motion to allow Mr. Webb to accept bus proposals.
Billy Cooper made a second to the motion.
The vote was unanimous.

19. Donations

There were no donations to report during the month of October.

20. Budget Amendment

Mrs. Stan land explained to the board that we were transferring from fund balance to construction project the amount of \$33,773.00 for the playground equipment.
Paul Joplin made a motion to accept the budget amendment as presented.
Russell O’Dell made a second to the motion.
The vote was unanimous.

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

Mr. Webb reported that there was no need to go into closed session.

22. Adjourn –

The board president adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Bart Reneau, President

Michael Hammer, Secretary