

GARRISON ISD BOARD MINUTES
AIES Hearing 6:45
Thursday, January 18, 2008
Regular Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
High School Building – Multi-Purpose Room

Board Member Appreciation Dinner – 6:00 p.m.

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1. Call to Order and Establish Quorum –

President Kerry Beard called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. A quorum was present and due notice had been mailed and published. Kerry Beard, Bob Barton, Mike Hammer, Mike Bradshaw, Bart Reneau, Tommy Dees, and Marty Reneau were present. Also attending the meeting were Carol Stanaland, Darren Webb, Allan Metcalf, Lisa McKnight, Craten Phillips, JoAnn Barton, Darrell Lunsford, Billy Cooper, Joe Piazza, Mr. & Mrs. Russell Odell (and children), Mr. Brian Kile, Lane Barton, and Mr. Thomas Hughes.

2. Invocation –

Bob Barton led in prayer.

3. Comments from the Public –

Joe Piazza signed in for open forum. Mr. Piazza addressed the Board concerning the use of the baseball/softball parks.

4. Recognition of Board Members -

Mr. Kelley recognized our Board Members and commended them for their service and presented certificates of recognition to each member. The Board Members wives were presented a token of appreciation for sharing their spouses one night a month! Prior to the regular meeting, the Board members and their families were treated to a dinner served by Mrs. Anzaldua and several of the GISD students. The dining area was decorated with this year's theme, "Empower to Excel". The EC Building presented an appreciation poster and placemats to the Board Members. Middle School students created a walk of fame acknowledging the Board Members and their years of Empowering the students of GISD to Excel.

5. Receive and Approve Minutes of December 20, 2007 -

The minutes of the December 20, 2007 meeting were received. Marty Reneau made a motion to approve the minutes. Mike Bradshaw made a second to the motion. The vote was unanimous.

6. Bills and Accounts for December 2007 -

The bills and accounts for December 2007 were reviewed.

7. Budget Report -

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

13. Baseball/Softball Use Agreement –

President Kerry Beard moved item #13 on the agenda to address the baseball/softball use agreement being there were community members present that were interested in hearing the outcome of this agreement. Mr. Kelley gave a brief history of the ballparks and gave copies of the old agreement to the Board. The old agreement was never adopted or signed by the Board. Clarification is needed on who is doing what and that all interested parties will come together at a later date in order to work out some type of agreement for the GISD students and the summer league practices. Mr. Kelley proposed a meeting with softball coaches and summer league coaches to discuss mutual concerns. They will put information together and come back in February at the regular Board Meeting with a suitable solution to a community wide problem. They will focus on formulating a plan for this year where the facilities can best be utilized. It was also expressed that this plan will need to come before the Board monthly as an agenda item where it can be resolved in a timely manner.

8. Principal Reports -

Ms. McKnight reported an elementary school enrollment of 311 with an ADA of 95.3%. Mrs. McKnight also thanked the Board for making a difference in the Elementary kids lives.

Mr. Metcalf, middle school principal, had an enrollment of 152, with an ADA of 97.4%. Mr. Metcalf thanked the Board for not only supporting him this past year, but also the Middle School students as well.

Mr. Darren Webb, high school principal, reported that high school had an enrollment of 207 and an ADA of 97.6%. Mr. Webb informed the Board that the high school had a student, Sydni Bradshaw, to place 1st at the State Beta Convention. This qualifies her to compete at the National Convention to be held later this year. Mr. Webb also thanked the Board for their support and the resources that have been provided to help our students be successful.

Total enrollment for the District was 670.

9. District Financial Audit

The Texas Education Code mandates an annual audit of the districts finances. An audit was conducted by Halls, Johnson, McLemore, Redfield, and Rodrigues, LLP. Carol Stanaland introduced Gary Johnson from the firm of Halls, Johnson, McLemore, Redfield, and Rodrigues, LLP. Mr. Johnson reported that there were no findings to report to TEA. Mr. Johnson commended Mrs. Stanaland for doing an outstanding job and he informed the Board that she is very protective of GISD funds. Board President, Kerry Beard also told Mrs. Stanaland that he appreciates the job she does.

Bob Barton made a motion to accept the audit as presented by Halls, Johnson, McLemore, Redfield, and Rodrigues, LLP. Mike Bradshaw made a second to the motion. The vote was unanimous.

10. Sale of Surplus Athletic Equipment

Mr. Kelley explained the need to sale surplus athletic equipment. Athletic Director, Craten Phillips, compiled a list of old equipment that needed to be sold. Mr. Kelley proposed to hold a silent auction in the form of bids. List all equipment in the local and Nacogdoches papers for 2 weeks. Once the silent auction is over, the sealed bids would be opened and the equipment would

go to the highest bidder. Tommy Dees made a motion to sale the surplus athletic equipment. Marty Reneau made a second to the motion. The vote was unanimous.

11. Approval of AEIS Report -

A motion was made by Bart Reneau to approve the AEIS report for 2006-2007 school year. Michael Hammer made a second to the motion. The vote was unanimous.

12. Quarterly Delinquent Tax Report

Carol Stanaland reviewed the Delinquent Tax Report with the Board Members.

13. Moved to Item #8...see above

14. Facility Plan/Campus Improvement -

Mr. Kelley discussed the possibilities of either renovating our existing High School gym and band hall or constructing a new gym. Mr. Kelley reminded the board that Goodwin Lasiter has been accepted by the board on an hourly basis. The possibility of a bond election was also discussed as a possible solution to constructing a new gym which would also include a girl's facility and expansion of the existing band hall. In order to have a bond election the Board would have to approve a resolution to call for a bond election by March 10th. After further discussion the Board elected to have a workshop on Thursday, January 24, 2008 at noon to further discuss the issue.

15. Donations –

The donations were presented to the board. Bob Barton made a motion to accept the donations as presented. Marty Reneau made a second to the motion. The vote was unanimous.

16. Call School Board Election/Announce Continuing Education Hours (TAC Chapter 61.1(j)).

Board President, Kerry Beard, read the continuing education hours to the Board. Kerry Beard then called for the School Board Election to be held on Saturday, May 10, 2008 at which time the positions of Bob Barton, Mike Bradshaw and Marty Reneau will be up for election.

17. Budget Amendments -

There were no budget amendments for the month of January 2008.

18. Superintendent Recommendations Regarding Professional Personnel (Gov't Code § 551.074) –

Mr. Kelley updated the Board on changes concerning the Superintendent Contract. The proposed amendments to the Superintendent Contract were taken from an updated TASB Superintendent Contract. Mike Hammer made a motion to adopt the amendments as proposed. Marty Reneau made a second to the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The board president adjourned the board meeting into closed session at 9:200 p.m. pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Acts 551.074 and 551.072. The board returned to open 10:53 p.m.

19. Consideration – Evaluation – Superintendent -

Bart Reneau made a motion extend Mr. Arnie Kelley's contract for 1 year with a 3% pay increase based on his base pay. Mike Hammer made a second to the motion. The vote was unanimous.

20. Adjourn –

The board president adjourned the meeting at 10:55 p.m.

Kerry Beard, President

Bart Reneau, Secretary