

GARRISON ISD BOARD MINUTES
Tuesday, September 17, 2013
Regular Board Meeting - 7:00 P.M.
High School Building – Multi-Purpose Room

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1. Call to Order and Establish Quorum –

Vice President Billy Cooper called the meeting to order at 7:05. A quorum was present and due notice had been mailed and published. Olan Woodard, Jr, Michael Hammer, Jerry Shaw, and Wes Chandler were present.

2. Invocation

Olan Woodard, Jr led in prayer.

3. Comments from the Public

No one signed up for open for open forum.

4. Receive and Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings

Minutes from the August 29, 2013 were reviewed by the board.

Wes Chandler made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 29, 2013 meeting as presented.

Michael Hammer made a second to the motion.

The vote was 4-0 with Olan Woodard, Jr. abstaining due to absence.

5. Bills and Accounts for August 2013

The bills and accounts for August 2013 were reviewed.

6. Budget Report

Mr. Webb supplied the board with a monthly budget report for their review.

7. State Funding Report

The Board reviewed the State Funding report which is provided quarterly.

8. Principal Reports

Ms. McKnight reported an enrollment of 341 with an ADA of 97.6%. Mrs. McKnight reported that the 5th grade classrooms had just received their netbooks and are eager to get started using them.

Mr. Metcalf reported the Middle School having an enrollment of 182 with an ADA of 97.5%. Mr. Metcalf reported that things are running well and students are getting the most from the 2 additional teachers that have been added this year.

Mr. Bernard reported an enrollment of 233 with an ADA of 98.08%. Mr. Bernard reported that teachers are all doing a good job and he then commended all 4 of the new teachers for doing a great job.

Total enrollment for the District was 756

9. State Accountability System

Director of Instruction, Jennifer Williams gave the board a brief overview of the changes in calculating the State Accountability System. She provided several handouts as well as answered questions concerning our accountability.

10. Bus Shield

Mr. Webb introduced Mr. James West to the board and he in turn presented a program called Bus Shield. The program involves putting cameras on the inside and outside of buses in order to be able to provide security for our children. Mr. West also stated that through enforcing local ordinances, establishing monitored, safe environments and giving school district tools to monitor, manage, and control these environments, Bus Shield will provide a safety “shield” for school children. It was the consensus of the board for Mr. Webb to look into implementing the Bus Shield program and to keep them informed.

11. Rusk County Appraisal District Board of Directors

There was no action taken on this item.

12. Donations

There were no donations to report for the month of September.

13. Superintendent’s Report

Mr. Webb informed the board that he is still looking into the front door system as there are times when the Resource Officer is away from her desk.

Mr. Webb then let the board know that the 3 yr asbestos inspection is coming up this year. He also informed the board that he had asked Mr. Comer to set up an Air Quality inspection in the Middle School and that the air duct cleaning would be conducted over the Christmas holidays.

It was also reported that a big freezer had been replaced and a water leak on the football field had been fixed, water fountains in the 5th grade wing have been replaced.

Mr. Webb then noted that the previously scheduled board meeting for October would be moved to the 22nd rather than the 15th.

It was also noted that security needed to be on next month’s agenda.

Mr. Webb also noted that each board member had received an invitation to the TASB Legal Seminar Series that will be held on the SFA Campus November 6th.

14. Budget Amendments

There were no budget amendments for the month of September.

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

There were no personnel items to be discussed.

16. Adjourn –

The board president adjourned the meeting at 9:16 p.m.

Bart Reneau, President

Mike Hammer, Secretary