

GARRISON ISD BOARD MINUTES
Tuesday, September 18, 2012
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 7:01 p.m. A quorum was present and due notice had been mailed and published. Billy Cooper, Russell O'Dell, Olan Woodard, Jr., Wes Chandler, and Mike Hammer were present. Paul Jopling was absent.

2. Invocation –

Billy Cooper led in prayer.

3. Comments from the Public –

Melanie O'Dell had signed up to speak to the board. She discussed the pros of purchasing tour buses.

4. Receive and Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings –

Minutes from the August 23, 2012 were reviewed by the board.

Mike Hammer made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 23, 2012 meeting as presented.

Russell O'Dell made a second to the motion.

The vote was 5-0.

5. Bills and Accounts for August 2012

The bills and accounts for August 2012 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 368, with an ADA of 97.3%. She informed the board that all her elementary classes were full. She also reported that the word of the week was really going well. She informed the board that the CMB screener to level students in need of reading and/or math remediation. Mrs. McKnight reported that lunch in the classroom for the Pre-K students was really going well.

Mr. Metcalf reported the Middle School having an enrollment of 184, with an ADA of 98.5%. GMS students are in the fourth week of the first six week grading period. Teachers are finishing up assessment tests and some diagnostic testing in the computer lab. They are analyzing this and other data to get students help in their diagnosed weak areas. GMS football is underway, cheerleaders are getting ready for upcoming games and the GMS teachers and staff are very pleased with the attendance for the first FCA meeting of 2012-2013.

Mr. Bernard reported high school had an enrollment of 210 with an ADA of 98.2%. Mr. Bernard reported that the school counselor, Kevin Hines, has already had the Marines and ROTC for campus visits. He reported that the Fair would be October 9th thru the 13th.

Total enrollment for the District was 762.

9. Purchase of a New School Bus for 2012-2013

Mr. Webb recommended the purchase of a 2013 Blue Bird Bus with 2 AC compressors in the amount of 88,871.00.

Olan Woodard, Jr. made a motion to purchase a 2013 Blue Bird Bus with 2 AC compressors in the amount of \$88,871.00.

Wes Chandler made a second to the motion.

The vote was 5-0.

10. Discussion of Board Operating Procedures

Mr. Webb informed the board that he had been in contact with TASB concerning the Board's Operating Procedures and they agreed to come in and work with the board on establishing Operating Procedures with our board. This training would also net board members 3 hours of board training. Mr. Webb informed the board that there would be a fee for this training and the consensus was to contact TASB and set up the training session for Board Operating Procedures.

11. Donations –

There were no donations for the month of September.

12. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Webb informed the board that the baseball field parking lot needed additional parking now that we have moved from 1A to 2A, he feels we will have more cars and that will create some parking issues. Randy McLain met with Mr. Webb out at the ballpark to discuss the possibility of adding additional parking using gravel. The board asked Mr. Webb to contact Randy McLain and see what the cost for using limestone would be.

Mr. Webb then informed the board that David Comer, Slaughter & Sons, and Nacogdoches Sheet and Metal had been in to look at our options in the basketball dressing rooms. Mr. Webb stated that in 2008-2009 we had spent up to \$17,000.00 on the basketball gym and locker rooms. David Comer discussed the dressing room issues with the board and gave them some idea on what was needed in order to fix the problems. The board then directed Mr. Webb to contact the necessary people in order to fix the problem and if over \$25,000.00, give each member a call and get their vote on what needs to be done.

Mr. Webb informed the board that the band was in need of instruments. Currently there are 180 students in band that is up from 105 a few years ago. Increasing numbers have made it impossible to provide instruments to all students. Clifton Walker, GISD band director, was present and made his presentation to the board concerning his needs. Mr. Walker could get the instruments he needs for a total of \$19,000.00. The board was in agreement that he did indeed need these instruments. Lastly, Mr. Webb informed the board that they are looking at ways to expedite the drop offs in the mornings.

13. Budget Amendments

Wes Chandler made a motion to accept the budget amendments to include \$88,871.00 for the new bus, \$20,000.00 for the band instruments, and \$19,019.11 for IMA.

Mike Hammer made a second to the motion.

The vote was 5-0.

14. Superintendent Recommendations Regarding Professional Personnel (Tex. Gov't Code §551.074 and §551.082)

The board president adjourned the board meeting into closed session at 8:53 P.M. pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Acts §551.074 and §551.082

The board returned to open session at 9:30 P.M.

Mr. Webb reminded the board of the September 27, 2012 board training that would be held at Central Heights and the next regular board meeting on October 16, 2012.

15. Adjourn –

The board president adjourned the meeting at 9:32 p.m.

Bart Reneau, President

Mike Hammer, Secretary