

ANIMAS PUBLIC SCHOOL
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
AUGUST 11, 2009

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Levi Klump, chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

All members were present.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. July 14, 2009 – Regular Meeting

Mr. David Johnson moved to approve minutes of the July 14, 2009 regular meeting, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Mike Pompeo. Motion Carried Unanimously.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Birdwell stated that **2. 2009-2010 Boundary Agreement – Silver Schools** was added under item **VIII. G. Transportation** and **1. County Establishment of Learning Center District** was added under **VIII. H. Other**.

Mr. William Hurt moved to approve the agenda, as amended. Seconded by Mr. Jared Fralie. Motion Carried Unanimously.

VI. FINANCIAL REPORTS

A. Approval of Vouchers

Mr. David Johnson moved to approve the vouchers, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Mike Pompeo. Motion Carried Unanimously.

B. Mr. Birdwell recommended approval of budget increases, as presented. (Attached)

Mr. Jared Fralie moved to approve the budget increases, as presented. Seconded by Mr. William Hurt. Motion Carried Unanimously.

VII. STAFF REPORTS

A. Mr. Ruben Aguallo

Mr. Aguallo reported on the start of the new school year. He stated that it seemed as if it were the smoothest start that he could remember.

Mr. Aguallo presented the recommended changes to the high school handbook. Discussion was held. He stated that the recommended changes will be posted on the school website for public review; thereafter, the changes will be submitted to the board for approval at the September meeting.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

A. Announcements/Correspondence

Mr. Birdwell presented announcement and correspondence items he received during the month.

B. Cafeteria

There were no items to report.

C. Construction

Mr. Birdwell reported that the 'walk-through' was done on the elementary roofing project. He stated that the project was under budget and funds were turned back to the state.

D. Federal Programs

There were no items to report.

E. Maintenance

Mr. Birdwell reported that the installation of the new playground equipment was complete. He stated that the newly planted grass seems to have a good start and he anticipated the students will be able to play on it in approximately 8 weeks.

F. Technology

Mr. Birdwell reported that the new laptops for the board had been received. He stated that, 'hopefully' the board packets will go paperless for the September meeting. Mr. Birdwell stated that a paper copy of the board packet will be sent for the first month, as well.

G. Transportation

Mr. Birdwell reported that Duti Walter and Dan & Shirley Fralie will be getting replacement buses.

1. Mileage Reimbursement Increase – Personal Vehicle Use

Mr. Birdwell recommended that the district raise the reimbursement rate for personal vehicle use to \$.50/mile to correspond with the Federal and State Rates.

Mr. Mike Pompeo moved to raise the personal vehicle reimbursement rate, as recommended. Seconded by Mr. David Johnson. Motion Carried Unanimously.

2. 2009-2010 Boundary Agreement – Silver Schools

Mr. Birdwell recommended approval of the 2009-2010 Boundary Agreement with Silver Schools, as presented.

Mr. David Johnson moved to approve the 2009-2010 Boundary Agreement with Silver Schools, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Mike Pompeo. Motion Carried Unanimously.

H. Other

1. County Establishment of Learning Center District

Mr. Birdwell recommended the Establishment of the new Hidalgo County Vocational Center, as presented.

Mr. Mike Pompeo moved to approve the Establishment of the Hidalgo County Vocation Center, as presented. Seconded by Mr. David Johnson. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Mr. Birdwell recommended holding a Board Retreat in the near future in order to develop the Action Plan for next year, as well as presenting other items of discussion.

It was decided to hold the Board Retreat on Tuesday, September 8, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. in the mid-school conference room.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Klump reported that the Celebrating Education Opportunity, for any former Animas High School female graduate, was up for nominations. He recommended that the board members think of a deserving young lady to nominate. Mr. Klump stated that the deadline for nominations is December 4, 2009.

X. NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING – September 8, 2009 - 7:00 p.m.

XI. ADJOURN

Mr. David Johnson moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Mike Pompeo. Motion Carried Unanimously.

President - Board of Education

Secretary - Board of Education