

**HEMPHILL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Elementary Principal

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Middle School Principal

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Agenda

Tuesday, February 19, 2013 – 7:00 p.m. – Administration Building

I. Members Present:

Absent:

II. Invocation:

III. Pledge To The Flag:

IV. Mission Statement:

V. Visitors And Comments:

VI. Approval Of Minutes:

1. Special Board Meeting January 10, 2013
2. Special Board Meeting January 14, 2013
3. Special Board Meeting January 15, 2013
4. Special Board Meeting January 16, 2013
5. Regular Board Meeting January 17, 2013

VII. Superintendent's Report:

1. Enrollment
2. Construction Progress – New Elementary School
3. State and Appraisal Districts Property Value Study 2012 Report
4. United States Forest Service
5. School Trustee Election
6. Emergency Drill
7. State School News
8. School Activities

VIII. Superintendent's Recommendations:

1. Recommend approval of Stephanie Corley and the Sabine County Reporter for Statewide Media Honor Roll Recognition.
2. Recommend approval to renew our Property/Casualty Insurance with TASB Risk Management Fund.
3. Recommend approval to change date for March School Board Meeting.
4. Recommend approval of electric utility relocation.
5. Recommend approval for Texas Association of School Board Policy Service Update 96.
6. Recommend approval of student overnight trip requests.
7. Adjourn for Executive Session
Allowed by Gov. Code 551.072 and 551.074.
8. Convene to Open Session (Continue Superintendent's Recommendations).
9. Recommend accepting resignations.
10. Recommend employing personnel and consideration of employee's contracts.

IX. Statement of Operations:

X. Approval of Bills & Financial Report for the Month of January 2013

XI. Approval of Budget Amendment # 3 for the 2012 – 2013 School Year

XII. Adjourn for Executive Session Allowed by Gov. Code 551.072 and 551.074.

XIII. Convene to Open Session (Continue Superintendent's Recommendations)

XIV. Adjourn:

These closed sessions are authorized by the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.072 and 551.074.

A. Personnel.

No action or vote may be taken in the closed meeting. An open meeting will be held to consider and take action, if any, on items discussed in closed session.

If during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting.

Section 551.071 – For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law.

Section 551.072 – For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.

Section 551.073 – For the purpose of negotiating contracts for prospective gifts or donations.

Section 551.074 – For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment of duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee.

Section 551.076 – To consider the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel and devices.

Section 551.082 – For the purpose of considering discipline of a public school child or children.

Section 551.083 – For the purpose of considering the standard, guidelines, terms or conditions the Board will follow, or instruct its representatives to follow, in consultation with representatives of employee groups in connection with consultation agreements provided for by Section 13.901 of the Texas Education Code.

Section 551.084 – For the purpose of excluding a witness or witnesses from a hearing during examination of another witness.

Should any final action, final decision or final vote be required in the opinion of the Board with regard to any matter considered in such closed meeting, then such final action, final decision or final vote shall be at either:

- A. the open meeting covered by this notice upon the reconvening of this public meeting, or
- B. at a subsequent public meeting of the Board upon notice thereof, as the Board shall determine.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act at 8:00 a.m., February 15, 2013 (date).

Glenn Pearson, Interim Superintendent
Hemphill I.S.D.
For the Board of Trustees

Superintendent's Report:

Spring is almost here and our school year is rapidly moving forward with the end of the fourth six weeks ending on March 1, 2013 with report cards going home with the students on March 7, 2013. Friday, March 8, 2013, will be an early dismissal day due to the beginning of Spring Break week. School will begin again on March 18, 2013. Easter weekend will begin with early dismissal on March 28, 2013, and classes will start back on Monday, April 1, 2013.

1. Enrollment

School	2011 – 2012	2012 – 2013
High School	259	270
Middle School	294	283
Elementary	<u>355</u>	<u>373</u>
Total	908	926

2. Construction Progress – New Elementary School

(1) Terracon Consultants has finished their geotechnical report. Five borings were drilled to depths of approximately 15 or 20 feet below the existing grade within the proposed building area. The purpose was to evaluate the subsurface soil conditions, groundwater conditions, site and sub grade preparation, earthwork, floor slab design and construction, foundation design and construction and seismic considerations.

(2) Texas Association of School Board Environmental Services finished their Bulk Asbestos Analysis Report as required by the Texas Department of Health. We will need to hire a TDH Certified Consultant to write an asbestos abatement plan. We will also have to hire a TDH observer when the asbestos abatement takes place.

In the elementary buildings to be demolished there are areas where floor tiles were installed with black mastic (glue) containing 3 % to 5 % Chrysotile and one area in the Library Building with 3 % black mastic. The Old Main Building has six areas with floor tile put down with black mastic containing 2 % to 5 % Chrysotile.

(3) Mr. Elliott, Sally Butler, and I met with the Architects and discussed our drainage problem and the electrical work that will need to be completed before demolition starts. I will have our site plans at our meeting and will update you about the discussion we had with the Architects.

(4) We have another meeting with our Architects on Friday, February 15, 2013. Daniel Havard, Sally Butler, Susan Smith, and I will attend to discuss technology, flooring, colors, locks, etc.

3. State and Appraisal Districts Property Value Study 2012 Report

The State Comptroller's 2012 Property Value Study has been received for Hemphill ISD.

The State increased our values less deductions from \$ 396,522,711 to \$ 446,047,462 (+ \$ 49,524,751).

Our Appraisal District increased local values less deductions from \$ 368,263,851 to \$ 402,984,643 (+ \$ 34,720,792).

Please see 2012 Summary Worksheets in backup information No. 3 for detailed breakdown of categories.

I have also included a letter from Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson regarding a petition protesting our 2012 Property Values in backup information No 3.

4. United States Forest Service

Some of you have been asking if we have heard from the Forest Service. We did receive a check for \$ 127,814.10 on February 5, 2013 in the mail.

Please see breakdown of monies to our County Commissioners and other schools in backup information No. 4.

5. School Trustee Election

Calendar of Events:

March 1, 2013 – Last day to file for place on ballot at 5:00 p.m.

March 12, 2013 – First day to apply for ballot by mail

April 11, 2013 – Last day to register to vote

April 29, 2013 – First day of early voting by personal appearance

May 3, 2013 – Last day to apply for ballot by mail

May 7, 2013 – Last day of early voting by personal appearance

May 11, 2013 – Last day to receive ballot by mail

May 11, 2013 – School Board Trustee Election

Janice McDaniel, Sabine County Clerk, has agreed to conduct the schools election.

6. Emergency Drill

At 1:15 p.m. on February 4, 2013 we held a "Shelter in Place" drill. All rooms were locked down and students went to a safe designated area in each room.

7. State School News

(1) Judge Dietz who is presiding over the suit between 600 school districts vs the State of Texas ruled on February 4, 2013 that the Texas system of funding public schools is unconstitutional. They will probably appeal to the Texas Supreme Court and I doubt there will be a ruling before the current legislature adjourns.

(2) State Education Commissioner Williams announced on February 4, 2013 that the TEA will not assign accreditation statuses to independent school districts and charter schools for the 2012 – 2013 school year. (Accredited, Accredited Warned, Accredited Probation, Not Accredited Revoked). He also said that in preparation for the transition to the new STAAR Accountability System, the TEA did not assign academic accountability ratings for 2012. New ratings will begin in the 2013 – 2014 school year.

8. School Activities

Please refer to your weekly bulletins and various sports schedules for dates and times of elementary, middle school, and high school events.

Superintendent's Recommendations:

1. Recommend approval of Stephanie Corley and the Sabine County Reporter for Statewide Media Honor Roll Recognition.

Recommend we approve Stephanie Corley representing the Sabine County Reporter to be placed on the Texas Association of School Boards "Media Honor Roll".

We thank her for visiting our schools, serving on various committees, and reporting school news in a fair, accurate, and balanced manner.

Please see backup information No. 1 for resolution.

2. Recommend approval to renew our Property/Casualty Insurance with TASB Risk Management Fund.

Recommend renewal of our Property/Casualty Insurance with Texas Association of School Boards Risk Management Fund for a total of \$ 61,115. We will receive a "Member Equity Credit" of \$ 6,112 leaving us with a balance of \$ 55,003. TASB has renewed our coverage without an increase.

Please see backup information No. 2.

3. Recommend approval to change date for March School Board Meeting.

Recommend we change our March 21, 2013 meeting to March 28, 2013. Due to the Spring Break in March this will give us more time to prepare for the meeting.

4. Recommend approval of electric utility relocation.

Due to the new elementary building, it is necessary to relocate electricity to the Library Building. The City will furnish the labor and our materials cost will be \$ 5,280. They will come off a pole set on the Methodist Church side of Milam Street and bore under the street and underground to a transformer at the corner of our Library Building.

Recommend we approve this project.

Please see letter from Don Iles in backup information No. 4 for a breakdown of equipment cost.

5. Recommend approval for Texas Association of School Board Policy Service Update 96.

Recommend the Board add, revise, or delete (Local) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to Policy Manual Update 96.

Please see backup information No. 5.

6. Recommend approval of student overnight trip requests.

UIL to C-X Debate for State Competition March 10 – 12, 2013 - Austin

Please see backup information No. 6.

7. Adjourn for Executive Session
Allowed by Gov. Code 551.072 and 551.074.

8. Convene to Open Session (Continue Superintendent's Recommendations).

9. Recommend accepting resignations.

Recommend accepting resignations from:

- (1) Kathleen Henson – Food Service Director
- (2) Maricela Castor – Cafeteria

Please see backup information No. 9.

10. Recommend employing personnel and consideration of employee's contracts.

Recommend employing the following:

Renee Rhodes – Cafeteria (Full time worker)

Please see backup information No. 10.

Recommend contract extensions for the following personnel through 2014 – 2015.

Sally Butler – Business Manager
Marc Griffin – High School Principal
Beth McBride – Middle School Principal
Susan Smith – Elementary School Principal
Belinda Ancelot – District Counselor
Monica Butler – District Testing Coordinator/Special Programs
Rosie Mays – Girls Athletic Director
Evan Richardson – Band Director
Daniel Havard – Technology Director