

Tuesday, August 29, 2017

The Hemphill Independent School District Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, August 29, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. for a regular Board Meeting in the HISD Administration Office with the following members present: Chad Moody, Lynn Lindsey, Steve Conn, Tom Cryer, Gary Parks, and Janis Speights.

Members absent: Tammie Bennett.

Also present were Reese Briggs, Superintendent, Sally Butler, Business Manager, Kelli Barnett, Marc Griffin, Jeremy McDaniel, Susan Smith, Terri Shaffer, Blair Craven, Brant Graham, and Donna Graham.

Gary Parks gave the invocation.

Chad Moody led the pledge to the Flag.

Lynn Lindsey recited the Hemphill ISD Mission Statement.

Visitors and Comments: No one spoke at this time.

Employee Level III Grievance:

Closed Session (Personnel under Texas Government Code 551.074; Attorney Consultation under Texas Government Code 551.071)

Adjourn for Executive Session allowed by Gov. Code 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.

The Board convened into Closed Session at 6:02 p.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 6:53 p.m.

Action on Level 3 Employee Grievance Hearing

The Level 3 Employee Grievance was denied by the Board on a motion by Lynn Lindsey, seconded by Steve Conn, passed unanimously.

Dr. Theresa Shaffer presented to the Board an after school enrichment program called The Hornet Club.

Public Meeting to Discuss Proposed Budget and Proposed Tax Rate for the 2017 - 2018 School Year.

Presentation and comments by the Superintendent and Business Manager on the Proposed Budget.

Recommend approval of the 2017 - 2018 Hemphill ISD School Budget.

The Board approved the 2017 - 2018 Hemphill ISD School Budget as presented on a motion by Janis Speights, seconded by Lynn Lindsey, passed unanimously.

Discussion of the Proposed Tax Rate for the 2017 - 2018 School Year.

Recommend approving Adoption of the 2017 - 2018 Ordinance No. 21, which sets the Tax Rate at

\$ 1.04 per \$ 100 of assessed property evaluation.

The Board approved the Adoption of the 2017 - 2018 Ordinance No. 21, which sets the Tax Rate at \$ 1.04 per \$ 100 of assessed property evaluation on a motion by Lynn Lindsey, seconded by Steve Conn, passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 021 SETTING TAX RATE

August 29, 2017

On this date, we, the Board of Trustees of the Hemphill Independent School District, hereby levy or set the tax rate on \$100 valuation for the District for the tax year 2017 at a total tax rate of \$1.04, to be assessed and collected by the duly specified assessor and collector as follows:

THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

\$1.04 for the purpose of maintenance and operation, and

\$0.00 for the purpose of payment of principal and interest on debts.

Such taxes are to be assessed and collected by the tax officials designated by the District.

IN CERTIFICATION THEREOF:

Signed: _____
President

Attest: _____
Secretary

Note: The above ordinance must be referred to in the minutes of the meeting of the Board, which will state that the ordinance was in writing and was acted upon by the Board; will state the rate and purpose for which the tax was levied; and will state the action and vote of the Board. A signed copy of the ordinance should be attached to and incorporated into the minutes.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Janis Speights, seconded by Gary Parks, passed unanimously.

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting July 20, 2017

Minutes of Special Board Meeting August 1, 2017

Bills, Financial Reports, and Investment Reports for the month of July 2017

Reese Briggs, Superintendent, gave the Superintendent's Report:

Enrollment	2015 - 2016	2016 - 2017	2017 - 2018
High School	269	267	255
Middle School	273	264	254
Elementary School	385	394	368
Total	927	925	877

PK - 38, K - 55, 1 - 71, 2 - 72, 3 - 61, 4 - 71, 5 - 75, 6 - 60, 7 - 66, 8 - 53, 9 - 79, 10 - 60, 11 - 57, 12 - 59, Total - 877

There were no Student Overnight Trip Requests.

Personnel Update

Employed: Perry Brown - Maintenance/Bus Driver, Paula Lloyd - Accounts Payable Clerk,

LaDonna Clark - Elementary Paraprofessional

Resigned: Lucas Leonard - Maintenance

The job vacancies still needing to be filled are Middle School Social Studies, High School Social Studies Composite/Coach, Educational Diagnostician, Speech Language Pathologist Assistant, Elementary Education Aide, Maintenance Worker, Food Service Worker, Custodian.

2017 Media Honor Roll

Mr. Briggs expressed his appreciation to Stephanie Corley and the Sabine County Reporter for their reporting on the happenings for the school.

Prayer Walk

Members of First Baptist Church walked the entire campus on Tuesday, August 8, 2017 and prayed for the school, faculty, and students as the new school year begins.

Facilities Update

Army Curtis sent a floor plan and it was distributed to the Board.

Inservice

High School had 24 Faculty with 521 Hours, Middle School had 25 Faculty with 390 Hours, Elementary School had 36 Faculty with 605 Hours, and Shared Services had 14 Faculty with 196 Hours.

Texas Public Schools Post 85th Legislative Session Invitation

September 13, 2017 in Longview, Texas

U.S. Forest Check

The school received a check for \$ 22,677.69 for timber.

Chapter 41 Status

Hemphill ISD is just under the Chapter 41 Threshold.

Student and Employee Handbooks

These were given to the Board and they are based on the TASB models.

Official Notification of 2017 Accountability Ratings

HISD and all campuses once again Met Standard and each campus received a distinction:

HES for ranking in the Top 25 % in Student Progress, HMS for Academic Achievement in Social Studies, and HHS for Academic Achievement in Science

After School Enrichment Program

3rd - 10th grades for 1 ½ to 2 hours after school working on homework and enrichment, should run September - April.

Reese Briggs, Superintendent, presented the Superintendent's Recommendations.

Recommend approval of renewal for TASB RMF Unemployment Compensation Insurance Proposal.

The Board approved the renewal for TASB RMF Unemployment Compensation Insurance Proposal for \$ 3,658 on a motion by Steve Conn, seconded by Tom Cryer, passed unanimously.

Recommend approval of 2017 - 2018 HISD Student Code of Conduct.

The Board approved the 2017 - 2018 HISD Student Code of Conduct as presented on a motion by Janis Speights, seconded by Gary Parks, passed unanimously.

Recommend approval of 2017 - 2018 Teacher Appraisal Calendar.

The Board approved the 2017 - 2018 Teacher Appraisal Calendar on a motion by Lynn Lindsey, seconded by Tom Cryer, passed unanimously.

Discussion and, if appropriate, approval of softball batting cage project.

The Board approved of going forward with the softball batting cage project on a motion by Lynn Lindsey, seconded by Steve Conn, passed unanimously.

Adjourn for Executive Session allowed by Gov. Code 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.

The Board convened into Closed Session at 7:48 p.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:33 p.m.

There were no recommendations for accepting resignations, employing personnel, reassignment of personnel or terminating personnel so no action was taken.

Sally Butler, Business Manager, presented Budget Amendment # 10 for the 2016 - 2017 School

Year

199 00 3600 00 000 7 00000	\$ 42,000.00
199 12 6117 00 001 7 99000	\$(5,000.00)
199 23 6117 00 041 7 99000	\$(10,000.00)
199 31 6117 00 041 7 99000	\$(10,000.00)
199 33 6117 00 001 7 30000	\$(5,000.00)
199 41 6117 00 701 7 99000	\$(10,000.00)
199 13 6117 00 999 7 30000	\$(2,000.00)

Final Budget Amendment for 2016 - 2017 School Year

240 00 3450 00 000 7 00000	\$ 10,000.00
240 35 6344 00 999 7 99L00	\$(10,000.00)

To Record Additional Expenditures

199 00 7913 00 000 7 00000	\$ 60,000.00
199 00 3600 00 000 7 00000	\$ 4,000.00
199 81 6659 00 999 7 11000	\$(60,000.00)
199 71 6512 00 999 7 99000	\$(2,000.00)
199 71 6522 00 999 7 99000	\$(2,000.00)

To Record Capital Lease

The Board approved Budget Amendment # 10 for the 2016 - 2017 School Year on a motion by Lynn Lindsey, seconded by Steve Conn, passed unanimously.

Discuss, and if appropriate, action on HISD Board/District Goals

The Board discussed the topic and will bring back to the September Board Meeting so no action was taken.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m. on a motion by Lynn Lindsey, seconded by Chad Moody, passed unanimously.

Chad Moody, President
Hemphill Board of Education

Tammie Bennett, Secretary
Hemphill Board of Education