

**Leakey Independent School District  
Board of Trustees**

**December 11, 2006**

**Regular Meeting**

**Members Present:** Ann Auld, Shane Hohman, Neville Triplett, Ruben Navarro,  
Martin Martinez, Roland Trees, Jerry Bates Jr.

**Members Absent:** none

**Visitors:** Administration, Media, 4-H Club members and their sponsor, Nina Martinez, various community members.

The meeting was called to order by President Ann Auld at 6:30 p.m. She announced that a quorum was present, that the meeting had been duly called and that a notice of the meeting was posted according to law.

**Regular Session:**

1. The pledge of allegiance was led by members of the LISD 4-H Club.
2. The Board and audience observed a moment of silent reflection.

**Open Forum:**

President Auld welcomed the visitors and gave anyone that was present an opportunity to speak to the Board. No one elected to address the Board.

3. Students of the Month were recognized by the Board. They are Timothy Wright, Meagan Clark, and Tell Hohman. Superintendent McNiel presented each one with a Framed certificate and a \$25.00 gift certificate to one of three restaurants; Mama Choles, Vinny's or Frio Canyon Lodge.
4. The Board read and reviewed the minutes from the November 13th regular meeting.
  - a. A motion was made by Roland Trees to approve the minutes for the November 13<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.  
This motion was seconded by Martin Martinez **Motion Carried 6-0**
5. The Board reviewed payment of bills and invoices that were due for December, 2006.
  - a. A motion was made by Neville Triplett to approve payment of bills and invoices.  
This motion was seconded by Jerry Bates Jr. **Motion Carried 6-0**

6. The Board discussed two tax refunds that were brought before them by Karolen Baugh, LISD Tax Assessor/Collector. Ms. Baugh explained the Appraisal District charged improvement value to an account in error and was brought to her attention when the property sold.
  - a. A motion was made by Neville Triplett to refund Laura Sijanski \$615.43 for the years 2003 and 2004 and Lloyd Miller \$283.69 for the 2005 taxes he paid.  
This motion was seconded by Shane Hohman. **Motion Carried 6-0**

**Executive Session:**

The Board entered into executive session at 6:45 p.m. to hear a Level III Grievance filed by Mechelle Hood and to receive an update on efforts to acquire property.

The Board reconvened in open session at 7:43 p.m.

7. The Board reviewed the Master Site Plan proposal for development of LISD campus.
8. After the Board reviewed the Master Site Plan for proposed development of LISD campus, the Board discussed whether it would be best to remodel the Thurmond house for a band hall and weight room or build a new steel building. After much discussion the Board decided to remodel the Thurmond house for a band hall and weight room.
  - a. A motion was made by Shane Hohman to remodel the Thurmond house for a band hall and weight room.  
This motion was seconded by Roland Trees. **Motion Carried 4-2-0**  
Jerry Bates Jr. and Neville Triplett against
9. The Board voted to approve Board Policy Manual Update 79
  - a. A motion was made by Jerry Bates Jr. to adopt Board Policy Manual Update 79.  
This motion was seconded by Roland Trees. **Motion Carried 6-0**
10. The Board discussed using the same appraisal instrument for the Superintendent's evaluation that was use last year for the superintendent evaluation.
  - a. A motion was made by Jerry Bates Jr. to use the same appraisal instrument for the evaluation of the superintendent.  
This motion was seconded by Ruben Navarro. **Motion Carried 6-0**

**11. Business Manager's Report – Mr. Don Ferguson**

- a. Mr. Ferguson reported Leakey ISD cash position as of November 30, 2006 was \$738,269.04. Cash receipts for the month were \$182,855.04 and total disbursements were \$360,095.00. Current interest rates at Bank of Frio Canyon is 4.07% and the Lone Star Pool is 5.18%. Year to date interest earned is \$11,712.29

## **12. Principal's Report – Mrs. Lorri González**

- a. Mrs. González on the UIL Elementary Academic contest. She reported there were 63 students that participated and informed the Board that LISD placed second overall in the contest. On the junior high level there were 49 students that participated and LISD placed third overall in the contest.

## **13. Superintendent's Report – Mr. Fred McNeil**

- a. Superintendent McNeil reported to the Board that there were several building/maintenance projects that would be completed during the holidays. He has contracted with a flooring company to refinish and repair the hardwood floors in the halls of the administration building and the library building. Also, Jeff Pannell Construction will be tearing out the old high school locker area, removing the roof and building new sidewalks. The maintenance staff will be painting all outside doors and stripping and refinishing the wood floor in the gymnasium
- b. The Superintendent gave an updated basketball schedule to the Board but was unable to deliver passes since they had not been received from Comstock ISD.
- c. Superintendent McNeil reminded the Board members there would be Board training on December 18<sup>th</sup>. Terry Smith and Taylor Stephenson from Region 20 would be conducting the training session.
- d. Superintendent McNeil reported the new school website was up and running.
- e. Superintendent McNeil informed the Board that the new elementary computer lab had twenty-one computers fully functioning and Mr. Saveskie is working to get the last ten running soon.
- f. Superintendent McNeil reported to the Board that nearly \$30,000 in cash and pledges had been raised so far on the air-conditioning fund. He reported that when \$60,000 had been raised the project would begin.
- g. Superintendent McNeil informed the Board that the Peterson Foundation had turned down our grant application for \$150,000 to purchase the land next to the existing Little League field. The Foundation felt the cost of the land was exorbitant and suggested we get an appraisal of the property and resubmit our application next spring.
- h. Superintendent McNeil reported the district had received a LCRA grant in the amount of \$17,000 to replace the lighting fixtures at the football field.
- i. Superintendent McNeil reported that TEA had approved our Rider 55 grant request of \$50,000. This money will reimburse the District for additional expenses that were incurred in making accommodations for our handicapped special education student.
- j. Superintendent McNeil reported that a Medina ISD school bus was vandalized during a ballgame on our property. There was a red, spray painted "LE" on the back of their bus. An apology letter was sent to the Superintendent at Medina with a request that a bill be sent to us for the damages to the bus. The Superintendent of Medina ISD reported that graffiti remover took the paint off the bus and that they would not be sending a bill.

**Adjourned**

a. A motion was made by Neville Triplett to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

This motion was seconded by Jerry Bates Jr.

**Motion Carried 6-0**

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**Ann Auld, President**

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**Neville Triplett, Secretary**

**Approved 1-15-07/jf**