

**Leakey Independent School District
Board of Trustees**

A Public Hearing began at 6:30 p.m. The Public Hearing was opened by the Board President, Ann Auld. Principal Lorrie González, led a discussion of the 2005-2006 Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) for Leakey ISD. Mrs. González gave the assembly an overview of how our students performed on the TAKS test last spring. There were several parents present who had the opportunity to ask questions. At 6:40 the Public Hearing was closed.

January 22, 2007

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, members of LISD National Honor Society and their sponsor, Bill Bradley, various community members.

The meeting was called to order by President Ann Auld at 6:41 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 National Honor Society.
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 Cheyanne Hernandez, Stephanie Davenport, and Joseph Austin. Superintendent McNiell presented Stephanie Davenport and Joseph Austin with framed certificates and \$25.00 gift certificates to one of three restaurant; Mama Choles, Vinny's or Frio Canyon Lodge. Cheyanne Hernandez was not present and Superintendent McNiell will present her certificates to her tomorrow in class.

4. Student Council representatives presented framed certificates of appreciation to each of the School Board members. January is Board Appreciation month and in addition to receiving their certificates, a meal was prepared by staff members and served to our Board members and their families prior to the Public Hearing.
5. The Board read and reviewed the minutes from the December 11, 2006 regular meeting and the December 18th, 2006 Called Meeting.
 - a. A motion was made by Martin Martinez to approve the minutes for the December 11th, 2006 regular meeting and the December 18th, 2006 called meeting.

This motion was seconded by Roland Trees. **Motion Carried 6-0**

6. The Board reviewed payment of bills and invoices that were due for January, 2007.
 - a. A motion was made by Roland Trees to approve payment of bills and invoices for January, 2007.

This motion was seconded by Neville Triplett **Motion Carried 6-0**

7. Frank Ede, a CPA with Ede & Company, briefed the Board on the annual audit for the school year 2005-2006.
 - a. A motion was made by Neville Triplett to approve the annual audit for school year 2005-2006.

This motion was seconded by Martin Martinez **Motion Carried 6-0**

8. Business Manager's Report – Mr. Don Ferguson

- a. Mr. Ferguson reported Leakey ISD cash position as of December 31, 2006 was \$1,363,027.00. Cash receipts for the month were \$676,430.00 and disbursements were \$252,783.00. Current interest rates at 1st State Bank of Uvalde (formerly Bank of Frio Canyon) is 4.10% and the Lone Star Pool is 5.18%. Year to date interest earned is \$15,438.00
- b. Mr. Ferguson reported the current enrollment as of December 11, 2006 is 248.

9. Principal's Report – Mrs. Lorri González

- a. Mrs. González reported to the School Board that the Canine Detection unit had been to school twice since her last report. The first visit was on December 12, 2006 with one alert on a vehicle. Cigarettes were confiscated and the student was disciplined. The second visit was on January 8, 2007. There was one alert on a purse but no contraband was found.

b. Mrs. González gave a Site-Based Committee report. The SBDM meeting was held on November 8, 2006. Mrs. Gonzalez reported she handed out information on the High School Allotment Funding. Each district will receive \$275.00 per student in grades 9-12 for programs geared toward post secondary education or tech prep courses. She reported the SBDM members discussed options for the use of these funds which included a secondary computer lab, classes such as TAKS Math, the Plato Lab, pre-AP courses, study skills classes and purchasing more lab equipment to meet the needs of the AP Biology class. The SBDM members will be asking for input from other staff members for the use of these funds. Also, it was decided that a tentative calendar for school year 2007-2008 will be submitted to the Board and Mr. McNiel for discussion with a start date of August 27, 2007 and with two options for Spring Break. The next SBDM meeting was held on November 14th. The committee reviewed the Governor's Grant Application guidelines.

10. Superintendent's Report – Mr. Fred McNiel

- a. Superintendent McNiel informed the Board that the application for federal assistance through USDA Rural Development has been submitted. The estimated funding request is for \$3,000,000. These funds would be used to construct a 17,755 square foot building that will include a secondary library, band hall, distance learning computer lab, homemaking lab and other classrooms. In addition to the high school building, we are proposing to build a regulation running track and field house to include dressing rooms and a weight room.
- b. Superintendent McNiel reported he will be attending the TASA Mid-Winter Conference in Austin on January 29th – January 31st.
- c. Superintendent McNiel reported the renovations made during the Christmas holidays have been completed and Jeff Pannell did a very good job.

Executive Session:

The Board entered into executive session at 7:22 p.m. to receive an update on a workers' compensation claim, personnel report, property acquisition, and to conduct an evaluation of the Superintendent and to consider a contract extension and salary increase.

The Board reconvened in open session at 11:02 p.m.

a. A motion was made by Shane Hohman to extend the Superintendent's contract by one year and to increase his salary to \$80,000 effective September 1, 2007.

This motion was seconded by Roland Trees.

Motion Carried 6-0

Adjourn

a. A motion was made by Jerry Bates Jr. to adjourn the meeting at 11:04 p.m.

This motion was seconded by Martin Martinez.

Motion Carried 6-0

Ann Auld, President

Neville Triplett, Secretary

Approved 2-19-07/jf