

**Leakey Independent School District
Board of Trustees**

September 18, 2006

Regular Meeting

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

Members Absent: Shane Hohman

Visitors: Administration, Media, Members of the LISD Student Council and Gloria Carrillo, Sponsor, Community members

This 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 was posted according to law.

Regular Session:

1. The pledge of allegiance was led by members of the Leakey ISD Student Council.
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 Angela Streib, Jim Diaz, and Mackenzie Wade. Superintendent McNiel presented Angela Streib and Jim Diaz with a framed certificate and a \$25.00 gift certificate to one of three restaurant; Mama Chole's, Vinny's or Frio Canyon Lodge. Mackenzie Wade was unable to attend and Superintendent McNiel will give the certificates to her at school tomorrow.
4. The Board read and reviewed the minutes from the August 28th regular meeting.
 - a. A motion was made by Neville Triplett to approve the minutes for the August 28th regular meeting.

This motion was seconded by Roland Trees. **Motion Carried 5-0**
5. The Board reviewed payment of bills and invoices that were due for September, 2006.
 - a. A motion was made by Martin Martinez to approve payment of bills and invoices.

This motion was seconded by Roland Trees **Motion Carried 5-0**

6. The Board reviewed the quotation summary on the purchase of a new Suburban. Quotations were received from Regency Chevrolet, Cecil Atkinson-Kerrville, and TASB Buy Board – Caldwell City. TASB gave the school the lowest bid of \$31,523.00 and said the vehicle would be delivered in 4-6 weeks.
 - a. A motion was made by Jerry W. Bates Jr. to purchase a 2006 Chevrolet Suburban from TASB Buy Board for \$31,523.00.
This motion was seconded by Neville Triplett. **Motion Carried 5-0**

7. The Board reviewed the application for a tax refund of \$688.97 presented by Karolen Baugh, LISD Tax Collector. The application was submitted by Ronald & Ramona Dalton protesting the 2005 appraisal value of their property in Indian Creek Subdivision, Lot #4. Reduction was granted by Real County Appraisal Board
 - a. A motion was made by Jerry W. Bates Jr. to refund \$688.97 for the 2005 Tax Year on property for Ronald & Ramona Dalton.
This motion was seconded by Martin Martinez. **Motion Carried 5-0**

8. **Business Manager's Report – Mr. Don Ferguson**
 - a. Mr. Ferguson gave a Year-End budget report on the General Fund and the Naional School Breakfast & Lunch Program.
 - b. Mr. Ferguson gave the financial summary and investment report. He reported as of August 31, 2006 there was \$957,193.00 cash in the bank and the district earned \$4,582.00 in interest for the month of August. Year to date interest earned was \$49,800.

9. **Principal's Report – Mrs. Lorri González**
 - a. Mrs. González reported to the Board that the Canine Detection Service was on campus August 31, 2006.
 - b. Mrs. González reported that Grade Speed Online is available to parents now. They will be able to go online and check their child's grades. She reported teachers are expected to post a minimum of two grades each week in each subject taught.
 - c. Mrs. González also reported to the Board that the schedule is complete for the district's band/music program. Students in K-12 are now receiving these music services.

10. **Superintendent's Report – Mr. Fred R. McNiel**
 - a. Superintendent McNiel gave an update on the LISD billboards. He reported he has a commitment from 16 local citizens/businesses to donate \$400.00 each for the highway signs. Mr. G. W. Twilligear has helped secure land owners who will allow these signs on their property. Hopefully the signs will be up by January, 2007.
 - b. Superintendent McNiel reported that he had met with Joel Ochoa, representative for USDA, about securing a loan/grant money from the USDA. Mr. Ochoa was very positive about the District meeting the criteria to secure a loan/grant. He feels Leakey ISD would qualify for 35-40% grant money.

- c. Superintendent McNiel reported he was approached by several school families on the feasibility of air-conditioning the gym. They have offered to raise the money needed to air-condition the gym. He reported he spoke with Jim Cantrell of Cantrell Air-Conditioning and received a proposal of approximately \$60,000 to complete this project. Mr. & Mrs. Buddy Windham personally pledged to donate \$6,000.00 to get the fundraising started. If the fundraising is completed by December 31st the project could start by January or February 2007.
- d. The Superintendent shared a copy of the TASB Board Briefs with the Trustees.
- e. Superintendent McNiel reported to the Board that the District would like to purchase new lockers for the Junior High and High School. He reported the present lockers are in very poor condition. If the Board agrees, new lockers will be purchased and they will be installed on the second floor of the administration building so that thieves and vandals will not have access to them. The Superintendent presented a summary of locker quotations to the Board. The Board agreed with the Superintendent that the lockers needed to be replaced.
- f. Superintendent McNiel reminded the Board of the TASA/TASB Convention coming up on October 6th, 7th, & 8th. He has made room reservation for each of them and he needs to confirm who is going to go.

Executive Session:

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:37 p.m. for a personnel report and update on property acquisition.

The Board reconvened in open session at 8:24 p.m.

- 11. The Superintendent recommended adding Keta Magers to the current substitute list for 2006-2007.
 - a. A motion was made by Jerry Bates Jr. to add Keta Magers to the current substitute list.
This motion was seconded by Ruben Navarro **Motion Carried 5-0**

Adjourned:

- a. A motion was made by Roland Trees to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.
This motion was seconded by Martin Martinez **Motion Carried 5-0**

Ann Auld, President

Neville Triplett, Secretary

Approved 10/16/06 jf

