

**BOARD MINUTES**  
**August 28, 2007**

The Meridian ISD school board public hearing for the 2007-2008 proposed budget and tax rate was held in the boardroom in the administration building at 204 Second Street, Meridian, Texas.

Members in attendance:

Marie Garland	Rochelle Lentschke	Kristy Kuykendall	Todd Hyatt
Thad Purcell	Danny Allen		

Member absent:

Rubin Felan

**I. Business**

The public hearing was held. The board discussed the proposed tax and budget.

**II. Adjournment**

Thad Purcell made the motion to adjourn at 6:36 p.m. Todd Hyatt seconded and all voted in favor.

(The board meeting was held immediately following the public hearing)

**I. Call to Order**

The president called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

**II. Invocation**

Steve James led the invocation.

**III. Pledge**

Kristy Kuykendall led the pledge to the American flag.

**IV. Welcome**

The president welcomed those in attendance.

**V. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**VI. Business**

**a. Approve Expenditures**

Danny Allen made a motion to approve the expenditures as presented. (see attached) Todd Hyatt seconded and all voted in favor.

**b. Approve the 2006-2007 Amended Budget**

After some discussion of the amended budget, Todd Hyatt made the motion to approve the amended budget including August payroll accruals. Thad Purcell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**c. Consider for Approval the Adopting of the 2007-2008 Budget**

After some discussion, Todd Hyatt made the motion to approve the 2007-2008 budget as presented with the addition of \$5000. Rochelle Lentschke seconded and the motion passed unanimously

- d. Consider for Approval the Adopting of the Tax Rate for 2007-2008**  
Thad Purcell made the motion to set the M & O tax rate at .98555 and I & S rate at .3486 for a total of \$1.33415. Todd Hyatt seconded and all voted in favor.
- e. Consider for Approval the Guaranteed Maximum Price for the Elementary School as Presented by Baird/Williams**  
Rochelle Lentschke made the motion to accept the guaranteed maximum price as presented with an addition to Exhibit C. (see attached) Thad Purcell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- f. Consider for Approval the Schwartz/Eichelbaum Model for the Voluntary Student Expression of Religious Viewpoints**  
Mr. Henderson explained the model. Thad Purcell made the motion to approve the Schwartz/Eichelbaum model for the voluntary student expression of religious viewpoints. (see attached) Rochelle Lentschke seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- g. Consider for Approval Transfer Students**  
Thad Purcell made the motion to approve the transfer students as presented. (see attached) Todd Hyatt seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**VII. Reports**

Steve James reported on enrollment of 240 in grades 7-12 and 269 in elementary.  
Beverly Huffman reported on the first two days of school.  
Mr. Henderson reported on the beginning of school.

**VIII. Adjournment**

Rochelle Lentschke made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Todd Hyatt seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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President

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Secretary