

**Board Meeting  
August 30, 2005**

The Meridian ISD school board meeting was held in the boardroom in the administration building at 204 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Meridian, Texas.

Members in attendance:

Todd Hyatt    Nancy Williamson    Thad Purcell    Rubin Felan  
Danny Allen    Albert Hunter

Member absent:

Marie Garland

**I. Call to Order**

The President called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**II. Invocation**

Albert Hunter led the invocation.

**III. Pledge**

Todd Hyatt 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. Conduct Public Hearing on 2005-2006 Proposed Budget and Tax Rate**

The board conducted the public hearing on the 2005-2006 proposed budget and tax rate. Mr. Henderson explained the additions to the budget made after workshop. (see attached)

**b. Approve Expenditures**

Thad Purcell made the motion to approve the expenditures as presented and amend the budget as needed. Nancy Williamson seconded and all voted in favor.

**c. Approve the 2004-2005 Amended Budget**

After some discussion Nancy Williamson made the motion approve the amended budget including August payroll accruals. Thad Purcell seconded this motion. It carried unanimously.

**d. Adopt the 2005-2006 Budget**

Thad Purcell made the motion to adopt the budget as presented including the new additions. Danny Allen seconded. Toddy Hyatt, Nancy Williamson, Thad Purcell, Danny Allen and Rubin Felan voted for approval. Albert Hunter abstained.

**e. Adopt the 2005-2006 Tax Rate**

Nancy Williamson made the motion stating that property taxes be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of 1.341 for maintenance and operation and \$.1090 for interest and sinking.. The tax rate will raise taxes for maintenance and

operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$126.10. Thad Purcell seconded. Todd Hyatt, Nancy Williamson, Thad Purcell, Rubin Felan, and Danny Allen voted for the motion. Albert Hunter abstained.

**f. Architect's Report**

A representative from Claycomb was present for discussion with the board about the possibility of building a new elementary school.

**g. Consider the Possible Section of an Architectural Firm**

Thad Purcell made the motion to select Claycomb and Associates as architects for the new school structure. Danny Allen seconded. Danny Allen, Thad Purcell, Todd Hyatt and Rubin Felan voted in favor of the motion. Albert Hunter and Nancy Williamson voted against.

**h. Approve 2005-2006 Student Transfers**

Thad Purcell voted for the approval of student transfers as presented. (see Attached) Albert Hunter seconded and all voted in favor.

**i. Consider the approval of 2005-2006 Student Handbooks for Elementary High School**

Mr. Patterson presented the elementary handbook and stated the changes. Thad Purcell made the motion to approve the 2005-2006 elementary and high school handbooks. Danny Allen seconded and all voted in favor.

**j. Personnel**

*At 7:43 p.m. the president announced that the board would convene in closed session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act Section 551.074. The board reconvened in open session at 8:26 p.m.*

**VII. Superintendent's Report**

**VIII. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

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President

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Secretary