

**Board Minutes**  
**March 9, 2004**

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:

Tracy Hardcastle	Marie Garland	Nancy Williamson	Thad Purcell
Todd Hyatt	Danny Allen	Steve Madson	

**I. Call to Order**

The president called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**II. Invocation**

Thad Purcell led the invocation.

**III. Pledge**

Chance Welch led the pledge to the American flag.

**IV. Welcome**

The president of the board welcomed those in attendance.

**V. Public Comment**

Corey Allen stated that the baseball association has money set aside to improve the soft-ball field, concrete work. This will be addressed at the next regular board meeting.

**VI. Board Minutes**

Marie Garland made the motion to approve the February 10, 2004 board minutes. Thad Purcell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**VII. Business**

**f. Honor Mrs. Judy Parton and Her Students for Their Art Work**

Mrs. Parton's art students, Morgan Barker, Zane Reiss, and Samantha Williams, gave a power point presentation on their award winning art.

**a. Review and Payment of Expenditures and Amend Budget as Needed**

Steve Madson made the motion to pay the expenditures and amend the budget as needed for Meridian ISD and the Bosque County Educational Coop. The motion was seconded by Thad Purcell. The motion passed unanimously.

**b. Accept Financial Statement**

Todd Hyatt made the motion to accept the financial statements for Meridian ISD and the Bosque County Educational Coop. Nancy Williamson seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

**c. Consider the Purchasing of Technology by Using the Monies Generated Through the Selling of WADA**

Mark Gerik, our technology director, and Carlos Ancira presented high school to elementary connectivity options. Marie Garland made a motion to table this until the next meeting. Todd Hyatt seconded and all voted in favor.

**d. Consider Joining the Alvarado Plaintiffs' Group**

Marie Garland made the motion to table this item until a later meeting when more information will be provided. Nancy Williamson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

e. **Consider Adding a Drill Team for the 2004-05 School Year**  
Mrs. Wendy King brought the information requested at the previous board meeting. After some discussion, Steve Madson made the motion to table this item until a later meeting. Nancy Williamson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

g. **Consider Contracts for Teachers, Coaches, Counselors, Librarians and Coop and Cluster School Staff\***

*At 9:02 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 9:17 p.m.*

Steve Madson made the motion to accept the recommendations made by the administrators. Todd Hyatt seconded and this motion passed unanimously.

**VIII. Reports**

Chance Welch presented the March activity calendar and the Meridian Gazette.

Damon Patterson reported on the practice TAKS tests.

David Woodard reported on athletic activities.

Penny Brister reported that the band had received an overall rating of 2 at the concert and sight reading contest.

Billy Jack Henderson reported on enrollment and finances.

**IX. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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President

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Secretary