

**Board Minutes
January 13, 2005**

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

Members in attendance:

Tracy Hardcastle	Marie Garland	Nancy Williamson
Todd Hyatt	Albert Hunter	Chance Welch

Member absent:

Thad Purcell

I. Call to Order

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

II. Invocation

Nancy Williamson led the invocation.

III. Pledge

Tracy Hardcastle led the pledge to the American flag.

IV. Welcome

The president welcomed those in attendance.

V. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

VI. Board Minutes

Marie Garland made the motion to approve the December 14, 2004 board minutes as previously read. Nancy Williamson seconded and all voted in favor.

VII. Business

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

Danny Allen made the motion to pay the expenditures and amend the budget as needed for Meridian ISD and Bosque County Ed Coop. The motion was seconded by Albert Hunter. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Accept Financial Statement

Nancy Williamson made the motion to accept the financial statements of Meridian ISD and Bosque County Ed Coop as presented. The motion was seconded by Marie Garland and passed unanimously.

c. Approve the Financial Audit for 2003-2004

Mike Cody, financial auditor, presented the 2003-2004 financial audit. He stated the school is in very good financial shape. He has addressed questions that the state had on last year's audit. Marie Garland made the motion to approve 2003-2004 financial audit. Nancy Williamson seconded and all voted in favor.

d. School Board Recognition Month

The board was presented with awards and gifts from the elementary and high school staff and students.

e. Electrical Aggregation Agreement – TASB Buy Board

Mr. Henderson made this presentation. Todd Hyatt made the motion to enter

into the electrical aggregation agreement. Danny Allen seconded and all voted in favor.

- f. **Consider for Approval School Board Training Date – Team of Eight**
It was agreed to hold the Team of Eight school board training on February 10, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. The regular board meeting would begin at 7:30 p.m.
- g. **ESL Report by Mrs. Beverly Huffman**
Mrs. Huffman explained the new guidelines and testing and that 8 elementary teachers passed the ESL test and others will be taking the exam in February.
- h. **Technology Report by Mr. Mark Gerik**
Mr. Gerik presented the technology expenditures.
- i. **Personnel – Custodial Reorganization, Superintendent’s Appraisal***
This item was moved to later in the meeting.

VIII. Reports

Mr. Welch reported on the newspaper, NHS blood drive, benchmark exam and TAKS software.
Mr. Patterson reported on the marquee, UIL, inservice day as parent conference day, awards day, and spring pictures.
Coach Woodard reported on the basketball and powerlifting.
Mr. Henderson reported on enrollment and WADA.

At 7:30 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 8:40 p.m.

Marie Garland made the motion to approve the custodial reorganization as presented with salary recommendation. Nancy Williamson seconded and all voted in favor.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

President

Secretary