

BOARD MINUTES
June 8, 2006

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

Members in attendance:

Marie Garland	Nancy Williamson	Rochelle Lentschke	Albert Hunter
Todd Hyatt	Rubin Felan	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

Albert Hunter led the pledge to the American flag.

IV. Welcome

The President welcomed those in attendance.

V. Public Comment

Daniel Shelby thanked the board for all the work they do. He sees a fire in the community with people getting in involved and noticing improvements. He would like to see more involvement in every aspect of our schools.. He specifically mentioned the girls' athletics.

Lori Hyatt also spoke on behalf of the girls' athletic programs such as the number of girls in the program and the lack of coaches. She submitted a list of needed items to Coach Holmsley and the board.

VI. Board Minutes

Mrs. Garland reviewed the minutes of the May 16, 2006 board meeting for those present. Todd Hyatt made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Albert Hunter seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

VII. Business

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

After some discussion, Albert Hunter made the motion to pay the expenditures and amend the budget as needed for Meridian ISD and Bosque County Educational Coop. Todd Hyatt seconded and all voted in favor.

b. Accept Financial Statement

After a summary from Mrs. Garland, Todd Hyatt made the motion to accept the financial statement as presented. Albert Hunter seconded and all voted in favor.

c. Consider for Approval the Recommendation of Technology Acquisitions

Mark Gerik distributed, basically, the same information given at the previous meeting. He also reviewed the source of the funds. The largest expenditures would come from purchasing smart boards for the high school and an additional one for the elementary school. Also, an additional portable lab would be pur-

chased for the high school as well as other items previously presented. Todd Hyatt made the motion to purchase the technology as recommended. Rochelle Lentschke seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

d. Consider for Approval the Purchasing of Software to Operate Our Federal Foods Program

Mr. Henderson stated that Mrs. West has visited with him concerning this program. It would aid in updating mandated reports for the state and federal funds provided. She would be able to create the required reports more accurately. After some discussion, Mrs. Lentschke moved to table the recommendation until the board could research more, talk to Mrs. West and other school districts. Thad Purcell seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

e. Consider for Approval the 2006-2007 School Calendar

Mr. Henderson stated that this calendar is similar to the 2005-06 calendar. After some discussion, Thad Purcell made the motion to approve the calendar. Todd Hyatt seconded and all voted in favor.

f. Consider for Approval the 2006-2007 Transfer Students

A current list was given to the board members. Mr. Henderson requested that the board approve the transfer students. Mr. Hunter noted that 4 of the students listed do not live in the Morgan ISD, but in Kopperl ISD. Todd Hyatt made the motion to approve the transfers and Thad Purcell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

g. Consider for Approval the Contracting of Custodial Services for 2006-2007

Mr. Henderson made the presentation. A couple of companies were present at the meeting to answer any questions the board had. Mr. Henderson had checked with several districts that had used a contracted service and had been satisfied. The saving of money would be through workers' comp and also would free up Mr. Crawford from his responsibilities. The companies would be responsible for providing all supplies. Thad Purcell made the motion to consider proposals for the custodial services. Todd Hyatt seconded. Those voting in favor were Thad Purcell, Todd Hyatt, Rochelle Lentschke, Nancy Williamson, and Rubin Felan. Albert Hunter voted against.

h. Consider for Approval the Expansion of the High School Weight/Training Facility

Mr. Henderson began the discussion with Coach Moorhead present to answer any questions the board might have. A drawing/sketch provided by Coach Moorhead was given to each of the board members. Mr. Henderson also presented an estimate of the costs involved. Mr. Hyatt presented the question that if the board is in agreement to at least get bids for a more accurate estimate. The board decided that accurate estimates should be brought back to the board for further discussion. Todd Hyatt made the motion to table this item. Thad Purcell seconded. Todd Hyatt, Thad Purcell, Rochelle Lentschke, Albert Hunter and Rubin Felan voted in favor. Nancy Williamson voted against. The board agreed to meet on Tuesday, June 27 with the community people who are available to assist with the construction.

i. Consider for Approval the Use of Area Job Order Contracts for Remodeling Projects – Requesting Approval for Ongoing use of the TCPN Coop

Mr. Henderson explained the purpose of being a member. This coop comes from Region IV. He presented the resolutions provided by the company which stated what the company is able to do and define the agreements. Basically, the company is able to "bid out" the work for the district, typically at a savings. Todd Hyatt made the motion to approve Resolution One. Albert Hunter

seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Thad Purcell made the motion to approve Resolution Two. Todd Hyatt seconded. All voted in favor.

VIII. Reports

Mr. Patterson reported on the breakfast and lunch summer meal program, extended year program and summer basketball program.

Mr. James reported on year end enrollment, transfer student issues, attendance, TAKS performance. The board expressed appreciation for Mr. James' work with the students. Coach Woodard reported on packets given to the athletes with needed forms.

Coach Moorhead reported on the weight room, practice field and equipment for next year.

Mr. Henderson reported on meeting with the custodians for summer work and the purchase of a used mower.

j. Consider Staff Resignations

At 8:48 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 9:16 p.m.

Thad Purcell made the motion to accept the resignation of Cheryl Hunter. Todd Hyatt seconded this motion. The motion passed unanimously.

k. Consider Recommendations for New Hires

Thad Purcell made the motion to accept the recommendations to hire William Hayworth as band director/teacher and Daina Hayworth as elementary teacher.

Todd Hyatt seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

IX. Adjournment

At 9:19 p.m. Thad Purcell made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Todd Hyatt seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

President

Secretary