

**Board Minutes
March 10, 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 were:

Albert Hunter	Thad Purcell	Todd Hyatt
Nancy Williamson		

Members absent:

Tracy Hardcastle	Marie Garland	Danny Allen
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I. Call to Order

The vice president, Todd Hyatt, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. Invocation

Damon Patterson led the invocation.

III. Pledge

Todd Hyatt led the pledge to the American flag.

IV. Welcome

The vice president welcomed those in attendance.

V. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

VI. Board Minutes

The board minutes of the February 10, 2005 meeting were approved as read.

VII. Business

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

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

b. Accept Financial Statement

Albert Hunter made the motion to accept the financial statements of Meridian ISD and Bosque County Educational Coop as presented. Thad Purcell seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

c. Recognize Mrs. Parton and Her Art Student, Kristian Villareal

Mrs. Parton presented a video from the state presentation which included Kristian receiving her award.

d. Consider for Approval the Fiesta Dancers as a School Activity

It was stated that the Fiesta Dancers would be a self-supporting program. The school would be responsible for transporting the students to celebrations, fiestas, cook-offs, etc. Thad Purcell made the motion to approve the Fiesta Dancers as a school activity. Nancy Williamson seconded and all voted in favor.

e. Consider for Approval the Application for First Day of Instruction Waiver

Mr. Henderson explained the reason for applying for this waiver. Thad Purcell

made the motion to approve the application. Albert Hunter seconded and all voted in favor. (see attached)

f. Vote for the Educational Service Center Region 12 Board of Directors
Ballots were distributed to the board members.

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

At 7:05 p.m. the vice 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 8:30 p.m.

Thad Purcell made the motion to extend contracts to coaches, counselors, librarians, and coop and cluster school staff as recommended with the exception of Jon Henderson and Patrick Murphy being offered a one year contract and Lee Ewell a probationary contract. Albert Hunter seconded and the motion passed unanimously. (see attached)

VIII. Reports

Mrs. Koenig reported that everything is going well. She appreciated that Meridian ISD has taken over the physical aspect of the school. She also reported on the classes offered by the coop.

Mr. Patterson reported on the TAKS results.

Mr. Welch reviewed the March calendar.

Mr. Henderson reported on the many maintenance projects and the new scoreboard.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

President

Secretary