

**Meridian Independent School District
Board Minutes
September 9, 2003**

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
Steve Madson	Thad Purcell		

Member absent:

Danny Allen

I. Call to Order

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

II. Invocation

Steve Madson 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

Steve Madson made the motion to approve the minutes of the August 12, August 19, and August 26, 2003 board meetings. Todd Hyatt seconded and all voted in favor.

VII. Business

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

After some questions and discussion, Steve Madson made the motion to pay the expenditures and amend the budget as needed for Meridian ISD and Bosque County Educational Coop. Nancy Williamson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

b. Accept Financial Statement

After some discussion on putting some of Meridian ISD money in an interest bearing account, Steve Madson made the motion to accept the financial statements of the Meridian ISD and Bosque County Educational Coop. Nancy Williamson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

c. Approve the Appraisal Calendar for 2003-2004

Marie Garland made the motion to approve the appraisal calendar for 2003-04 as presented. (see attached) Thad Purcell seconded and all voted in favor.

d. Approval of Appraisers for 2003-2004

Steve Madson made the motion to approve Billy Jack Henderson, Chance Welch, Damon Patterson and Cleva Koenig as appraisers for the 2003-04 school year. Todd Hyatt seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

- e. **Approve Transfer Students for 2003-2004**
Todd Hyatt made the motion to approve Ashley Pollard and Cody Stires as transfer students for the 2003-04 school year. Steve Madson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
- f. **Review and Discuss the High School Student Handbook for 2003-2004**
After being made aware of the changes to the high school student handbook since the 2002-03 school year, Marie Garland made the motion to accept the handbook as presented. Thad Purcell seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
- g. **Review and Discuss the Student Code of Conduct for 2003-2004**
After Mr. Welch explained the changes made to the student code of conduct since 2002-03 school year, Marie Garland made the motion to accept the code as presented. Nancy Williamson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
- h. **Consider the Approval of the Sale of Wada**
After some discussion, Steve Madson made the motion to sell our Wada to Carrollton/Farmers Branch ISD. Nancy Williamson seconded the motion and all voted in favor.
- i. **Consider the Approval of Purchasing a School Bus**
Thad Purcell made the motion to authorize Mr. Henderson to purchase a 71 passenger school bus at the TASB conference if an acceptable price could be reached. Todd Hyatt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
A 10 minute recess was held.
- j. **Consider the Approval of Installing Fiber Optics Between the Elementary and High School**
Steve Madson made the motion to put the installation of fiber optics between the elementary and high school out for bids to be acted on at the regular October board meeting. Thad Purcell seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
- k. **Consider the Approval of Purchasing Class Works Gold**
Todd Hyatt made the motion to table this until more information could be given. Steve Madson seconded and all voted in favor.
- l. **Authorize Superintendent and Business Manger to Conduct Bank Business**
Steve Madson made the motion to authorize the superintendent and business manager to conduct bank business on behalf of the school. Thad Purcell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Reports

Mr. Patterson reported that things are going great at the elementary.

Mr. Welch reported on upcoming events.

Coach Woodard reported on the big win against Tolar and the upcoming schedule.

Mr. Henderson reported on the break-in at the high school.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Superintendent

Secretary