

**Meridian Independent School District
Board Minutes
May 15, 2003**

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

Members in attendance:

Tracy Hardcastle	Robin Brady	Nancy Williamson	Danny Allen
Marie Garland	Todd Hyatt		

Member absent:

Steve Madson

Others in attendance:

Billy Jack Henderson	Kathy Haynes	Chance Welch	Damon Patterson
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I. Call to Order

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

II. Invocation

Billy J. Henderson 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

Nancy Williamson made the motion to approve the April 8, 2003 board minutes as read. Robin Brady seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

VII. Business

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

After some discussion, Nancy Williamson made the motion to pay the bills and amend the budget as needed. Todd Hyatt seconded and all voted in favor.

b. Accept Financial Statement

Robin Brady made the motion to accept the financial statement. Todd Hyatt seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

(items c and d were acted on after item l because Marie Garland was late coming to the meeting because she attended the band concert.)

e. Approve the 2003-2004 School Calendar

Nancy Williamson made the motion to approve the proposed school calendar as presented by the superintendent. (see attached) Todd Hyatt seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

- f. Consider Approving the Request from First Baptist Church to Use Our High School Cafetorium for the Summer Months While Their Sanctuary is Being Renovated**
Robin Brady made the motion to allow the First Baptist Church to use our high school cafetorium during the summer months. Danny Allen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- g. Approve the Board Resolution Extending the Depository Contract From September 1, 2003 to August 31, 2005**
Robin Brady made the motion to extend the depository contract with Bosque County Bank from September 1, 2003 to August 31, 2005. Tracy Hardcastle seconded. The motion carried with Danny Allen, Todd Hyatt and Nancy Williamson abstaining.
- h. Consider Approving the Elementary Dress Code for 2003-2004 School Year**
Danny Allen made the motion to approve the elementary dress code as presented. Todd Hyatt seconded and the motion carried unanimously. (see attached)
- i. Approve Transfer for 2003-2004 School Year**
Todd Hyatt made the motion to approve the transfers as presented. (see attached) Danny Allen seconded this motion and all voted in favor.
- j. Approve Meridian ISD as the Fiscal Agent for the Bosque County Special Education Coop**
After some discussion, Robin Brady made the motion to approve Meridian ISD becoming fiscal agent for the Bosque County Coop. Nancy Williamson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- k. Discuss/Approve School Facilities/Tear Down and Dispose of Old Bus Barn**
After some discussion on the two bids that were presented, Robin Brady made the motion to approve the bid of Tim Gage (see attached) contingent on the insurance situation. Todd Hyatt seconded and all voted in favor.
- l. Personnel – Consider Hiring for the Position of Elementary Special Ed Resource**
At 8:05 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 8:20 p.m.
Robin Brady made the motion to extend a contract to Wendy Tomlinson as elementary special ed resource teacher for the 2003-2004 school year. Nancy Williamson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
- c. Administer Oath of Office to Newly Elected Trustees**
Danny Allen and Marie Garland were sworn in by Nancy Williamson.
- d. Elect the Board Officers**
Robin Brady made the motion to elect Tracy Hardcastle as president. Todd Hyatt seconded this motion. All voted in favor.
Marie Garland made the motion to elect Todd Hyatt as vice president. Robin Brady seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
Nancy Williamson made the motion to elect Marie Garland as secretary. Robin Brady seconded and all voted in favor.
- m. Consider Approval of Board Policy Update 68**
Danny Allen made the motion that the board add, revise, or delete (LOCAL) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the instruction sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 68. Todd Hyatt seconded

this motion. All voted in favor.

VIII. Reports

Kathy Haynes reported on the TAKS results, orientation for 6th graders at high school, field day, kindergarten roundup, 6th grade band concert and 6th grade graduation.

Chance Welch reported on FFA awards, Six Flags trip, talent show, band banquet, ag banquet and early release on last two days of schools.

Damon Patterson reported on track, baseball and the athletic banquet.

Billy Jack Henderson commended Coach Patterson and his staff. He also reported that work is being done to consider the true purpose of the booster clubs.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned 8:35 p.m.

President

Secretary