

BOYS RANCH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
BRISD ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, BOYS RANCH, TEXAS
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Tuesday, May 20, 2008

BRISD Staff Present

Maggie Taylor
Laura Lee Ehlers
Chester Dunavin
Vita Sotelo
Derek Davis
Shelly Allen
Paul Jones
Mike Cheverier
Carol Jones
Meleta Bailey
Michelle Ellis
Cathy Lozano
Steven Hays

BRISD Trustees Present

Suzanne Wright
Tony Renteria
George Owen
Lance Purcell
Mark Strother

BR Staff

BRISD Students
Katie Jones
Troy Mowatt
Jenny Ortega
Kenneth Curtis
Carla Hulen
Nathan Curtis
Paige Taylor
Shanique Chintsanya
Sarah Dobbins
Sterling Brown
John Snell

1. Moment of Silence – A Moment of Silence was observed.
2. Pledge of Allegiance –The Pledge of Allegiance was said.
3. Call to Order – The Board of Trustees of the Boys Ranch Independent School District met in regular session at the BRISD Administration Building, Boys Ranch, Texas on May 20, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 3:35 p.m.
4. Call Roll and Establish a Quorum – All board members were present. A quorum was established.
5. School Officials Present – All school officials listed were present.
6. BRISD Student Recognition – Cathy Lozano introduced the following AP students: Katie Jones, Troy Mowatt, Jenny Ortega, Kenneth Curtis, Nathan Curtis, Paige Taylor, Shanique Chintsanya, Sterling Brown, and John Snell. Mrs. Lozano explained the AP classes. Steven Hays introduced the following Ag students: Sarah Dobbins and Carla Hulen. Sarah explained the ag program and activities.
7. Consent Agenda: President Wright called the Board’s attention to the Consent Agenda (see attached). Mrs. Wright asked for any questions or comments on the Consent Agenda. Hearing no comments or questions, **Mrs. Wright asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Lance Purcell made**

the motion to approve. Mark Strother seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

8. Public Forum - Mrs. Wright asked if anyone had any comments to be made to the Board in public forum that they sign a note card. No one signed to speak to the Board.
9. Information
 - a. Class of 2008 Leadership TASB visit - Thirty-five school board members from across the state visited Boys Ranch in April. Paul Jones and Mike Pacino conducted tours for the group. BRISD received several thank you notes from individuals.
 - b. Region I UIL Music Contest hosted by BRISD – BRISD hosted the Region I UIL Music Contest. Mrs. Sotelo shared the thank you letter.
 - c. TASB Board Briefs – The April board briefs were enclosed (see attached).
 - d. Survey of Organizational Excellence results – Mrs. Sotelo presented the results of the survey. Each campus received its own results. The information will be used to draft next year’s improvement plans.
 - e. Update on new students – Mrs. Sotelo shared the enrollment of the 72 students that were enrolled from the Eldorado compound.
 - f. Level I School Board Training – Lance Purcell and Mark Strother are the new board members that are required to complete the Level I training. Both members asked to attend the training at Region 16 on June 5, 2008.
10. Action
 - a. Consider and take action on donation amendment #1 – The district received donations from XIT, Target, and Verizon. **President Wright asked for a motion to accept the donations. George Owen so moved and Mark Strother seconded. The motion carried unanimously. President Wright also asked for a motion to approve the donation amendment. George Owen made the motion and Lance Purcell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.**
 - b. Consider and take action on budget amendment #2 – A budget amendment was needed to post expenditures for security to the correct function and to budget enough funds to allow a non-employee to attend a conference on behalf of the school district. **Mrs. Wright asked a motion to approve budget amendment #2. Lance Purcell made the motion and George Owen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.**
 - c. Consider and take action on plan for student clubs – The district will submit an application for funds to support the high school clubs/organizations. The application requires board approval of the student club plans. **Mrs. Wright asked for a motion to approve the following clubs: FFA, Skills USA, FCCLA, FCA, Student Council, Technology Club, and the Spanish Club. Mark Strother made a motion for approval with a second from George Owen. The motion carried unanimously.**
11. Personnel

- a. Consider and approve superintendent's recommendation for a math/coach position. **President Wright asked for a motion to accept superintendent's recommendation to hire Michael Qualls as a math educator and coach. Tony Renteria made the motion and George Owen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.**
- b. Consider and take action on superintendent's recommendation for Master Teacher hires. **President Wright asked for a motion to accept the superintendent's recommendation to hire Jeremiah Cunningham as the new English Master teacher. Tony Renteria made the motion with a second from George Owen. The motion carried unanimously.** Cathy Lozano, Kenneth Brown, and Joel Curtis were all assigned from within the school district.
- c. Consider and take action on superintendent's recommendation for Mentor Teacher hires. No motion was needed as Jennifer King and Cindy Wihebrink were assigned from the school district.

12. Reports

- a. Assistant Superintendent – Paul Jones
 - High School UIL Events
 - Program Planning
 - Fiscal/Facilities Management
 - Coaching Hire
 - Student Management
- b. Director of Student Programs – Maggie Taylor
 - Special Education
 - Gifted and Talented
 - Limited English Proficient
 - Dual Credit/AP
 - Graduation Plan
 - Student Club Grant
- c. Administrator for Curriculum and Instruction – Michelle Ellis
 - BRISD Absentee Chart
 - Substitute Expense Chart
 - Events
- d. STARR Academy – Shelly Allen
 - Enrollment
 - Academics
 - Title I Update
- e. Mimi Farley Elementary – Chester Dunavin
 - Enrollment
 - Student Activities
 - Teacher Activities
 - Teacher/Staff Training
 - Budget
- f. Blakemore Middle School – Derek Davis

- Staff Development
- Student Information
- Student Progress
- Campus Events
- Campus Budget
- g. BRHS – Mike Cheverier
 - Enrollment
 - Staff Development
 - Student Activities
 - Friday Collaboration
 - Academics

13. Motion to Adjourn - There being no further business to come before the Board,
Mrs. Wright adjourned the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

President

Secretary