

July 8, 2014
Farwell TX 79325

The Farwell ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session in the office of the superintendent at Farwell ISD Administration office at 705 6th Street, Farwell, TX at 7:00 p.m.

Kendall Devault called the meeting to order, JayBe Barrett led the invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members present were Kendall Devault, Keith Hadley, Brandon Foster, JayBe Barrett and Kelly Lusk, Superintendent. Absent were Jason Schilling, William Martin and Scott Johnson.

Visitors present were Edie Kalbas, LeAndra Byrd, Brian Patterson, Annie Crawford, Jimmie Mace, Tim Kasel and Darren Haseloff.

Minutes: June 10 & 24, 2014

Motion by JayBe Barrett seconded by Keith Hadley that the minutes of the June 10 and 24, 2014 meetings be approved as presented.

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Mrs. Crawford, Elementary Principal, reported that she had received the STAAR test re-take scores from summer school. The elementary building is being cleaned and organized for the coming school year. The library is open this summer on Tuesday and Thursday.

Mr. Mace, Jr. High Principal reported that he has received the STAAR test re-take scores from summer school and he is currently working on the 2014-15 school schedules. The jr. high building is also being cleaned and organized.

Mr. Patterson, High School Principal, the high school has just now finished administering the EOC/STAAR test re-takes. The new camera security system is in place and working well. Cleaning of the building is almost complete.

Tim Kasel, maintenance and transportation director reported routine summer maintenance of building and grounds as well as transportation for students and teacher workshops.

LeAndra Byrd gave the financial reports and presented the bills paid.

Public Forum: No one signed up to speak

Teacher Appraisal Calendar and appraisers:

Motion by Keith Hadley seconded by Brandon Foster that we approve the Farwell ISD appraisal calendar. MCU

Motion by Keith Hadley seconded by Brandon Foster that we approve Annie Crawford, Jimmie Mace and Brian Patterson and Kelly Lusk as PDAS appraisers for Farwell ISD.

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2014-15 Farwell ISD Student Code of Conduct: Discussion

Suspension of Local EIE:

Motion by JayBe Barrett seconded by Keith Hadley that we make a Resolution of the board to suspend portions of the EIE (Local) for the 2014-15 school year.

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Student Code of Conduct: Postponed until next Board Meeting

Resolution: Acceptance of employee resignations by the principal (resolution attached)

Motion by Keith Hadley seconded by JayBe Barrett that we allow Farwell ISD administrators to accept resignations from employees that they supervise.

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Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate: No public comment

Set Tax Rate:

Motion by JayBe Barrett seconded by Brandon Foster to approve the written ordinance presented by the superintendent (written ordinance attached), that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$1.17, which is effectively a \$0.09 percent increase in the tax rate.

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Order an election:

Motion by JayBe Barrett seconded by Brandon Foster that an election be ordered to be held on September 27, 2014, for the purpose of conducting a tax rate ratification (rollback) election.

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Personnel: Resignations

The board was presented with the resignations of Chuck Graves, Tanya Steinbock and Brian Patterson.

Personnel, Professional Educator Contracts:

Motion by Brandon Foster seconded by Keith Hadley, that we hire Desirae Gallman as an elementary teacher on a probationary contract for the 2014-15 school year.

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Superintendent, Kelly Lusk reviewed some of the events that have occurred in the district since the last board meeting.

The Board of Trustees on July 8, 2014, beginning at 8:10pm, convened in a closed or executive session in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act. (Tex. Gov't code 551.074)

Subjects Discussed in session Closed to the Public: Personnel

The Board ended its closed or executive session at 8:24pm on July 8, 2014

July 2014 Board Meeting will be Tuesday August 12, 2014 at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Keith Hadley, seconded by JayBe Barrett that this meeting be adjourned.

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Signed by _____ Attested by _____