

Alvord ISD Family –

I have some highlights for you for the June 14 regular school board meeting

Mann Made Construction Contract – the contract with Mann Made Construction for the proposed renovation of the old middle school / old high school building was approved by the board. Mann Made Construction and our architect Mark Canterbury are working on the bid packet for the project.

Region 11 Contracts – the contracts for the services we receive from Region 11 were approved.

Engagement Letter with Edgin, Parkman, Fleming & Fleming, PC – Our financial auditor Steve Gilland recently informed us that he would not be able to finish this year's financial audit and would not be performing the audit for us moving forward. Mr. Gilland has been our auditor since 1980. We appreciate his long standing service to Alvord ISD and wish him the best.

The board approved an engagement letter with Edgin, Parkman, Fleming & Fleming, PC from Wichita Falls which will allow this firm to complete this year's audit. There will not be an increase in the audit fee.

ESSER and ESSA Funds – the board was given notification of the districts intent to apply for ESSER and ESSA Federal Funds. The board approved a resolution stating that the district shall make available opportunities for public input when applying for federal funds and granting the superintendent authority to approve the required federal funds plans.

Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Flight Course –the board approved this course at AHS which will allow students to potentially earn a career and tech certificate designed to prepare them for a career in this field.

Depository Contract – our depository contract has been with Legend Bank. In the past we have paid no fees, Legend Bank recently informed us they will be charging us fees which will annually cost us between \$8500 to \$9000. We have enjoyed banking with Legend, the service has been great and the convenience of a branch office located in town has been nice. None of the other school districts in Wise County pay a fee for their Depository Contract. We will soon be asking for proposals from other banks for our depository contract.

Dr. Randy Brown

Alvord ISD Superintendent