

February 18, 2008
Cushing, Texas

The Board of Trustees of the Cushing Independent School District met in Regular Session.

A. OPENING ACTIVITIES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Lynda Langham at 7:00 p.m.

2. Invocation

The invocation was given by Brett Tucker.

3. Roll Call and Establish Quorum

A quorum was established. Members present; L. Moore, Owens, Tucker, Langham, Barron, S. Moore, and Goldsberry. Also present; Caster, Rawlinson, M.Davis, Pettit, Smith, Knoll, C. Davis and Kellie Karczweski with Feldman and Rogers. Visitors; See attached sheet.

4. Students of the Month

Mrs. Pettit presented Jasmine Edwards and Stormy Yates as Students of the Month.

Mr. Davis presented Hannah Martin as Student of the Month.

B. Open Forum

No one wished to address the board.

C. Oral Reports

1. Business Office Report

Deedra Knoll answered questions the board may have had about the budget and check register.

2. Maintenance

The board was presented with a list of repairs that have been made since the January meeting.

3. Technology

The Board was presented with a list of things that have been done since the January meeting.

4. Elementary Principal Report

Mrs. Pettit reported to the board on attendance, enrollment and honor roll.

5. Secondary Principal Report

Mr. Davis reported on attendance and enrollment.
Mr. Davis told the board that the seniors have requested graduation to be at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 31, 2008 and the board said they did not have a problem with that.

D. Information

The board was given information on Update 82.

E. Superintendent Report

Mr. Caster gave the board information on the recall of beef, installing new cameras on campus and putting in a guard shack. The board directed Mr. Caster to proceed with the installation of the security cameras and to secure a proposal for the guard shack.

F. Action Items

1. Minutes January 17, 2008, January 21, 2008 and January 31, 2008

Motion by Barron, seconded by Tucker, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Request to appear before the Board by Shannon Crisp

Mr. Moore made the motion that the board find insufficient evidence to substantiate the complaint brought by the parents and deny the complaint accordingly. He further moved that the board direct the board president to communicate with the parents

regarding alternatives for resolution, seconded by Barron. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Sampson Lone Star, LLC Division Order

Motion by L. Moore, seconded by Goldsberry, to approve the Sampson Lone Star, LLC Division Order as recommended by Mr. Caster. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Academic Excellence

Motion by Tucker, seconded by Goldsberry, as recommended by Mr. Caster to add 5 points to PAP, AP and Honors classes for Academic Excellence in grades 6-12. This also will be added to the 2008 -2008 Student Handbook. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Placement of Minutes on the School Website

Motion by Goldsberry, seconded by Barron, to develop a website for the board where the minutes and agenda will be placed each month. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Approve Cushing Elementary Campus Dyslexia Plan

Motion by Barron, seconded by S. Moore, as recommended by Mr. Caster to approve the Cushing Elementary Campus Dyslexia Plan as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Approve Nacogdoches County Hospital District Board of Directors' use of our building to be held in conjunction with our School Board Election

Motion by L. Moore, seconded by Goldsberry, to approve the use of the building by the Nacogdoches County Hospital District. Motion carried unanimously.

G. Closed Session

The board went into closed session at 7:48 p.m. after a 5 minute break.

Items to be discussed:

1. Elementary Principal Contract
2. Secondary Principal Contract

3. Technology Contract
4. Counselor Contracts
5. Athletic Director Contract

H. Return to Open Session

The board returned to open session at 9:50 p.m.

Motion by L. Moore, seconded by Owens as recommended by Mr. Caster, to give Melanie Pettit, Elementary Principal, Michael Davis, Secondary Principal, Becky Smith, Technology Director, and Cory Spivey, Athletic Director a one year (12 month) extension on their current contract through the 2009-2010 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Barron, seconded by S. Moore, as recommended by Mr. Caster, to give Donna Green a one-year (10 ½ month) probationary contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by S. Moore, seconded by Owens, as recommended by Mr. Caster, to extend a one year (12 month) term contract to Sherry Goff for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

I. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

Lynda Langham, President

Susie Owens, Secretary