

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
McDade I.S.D. Board of Trustees  
October 20, 2016**

A **Regular Meeting** of the trustees of the McDade Independent School District was called to order at 7:00 PM in the Education Building. School Trustees present were Bil Kahane, Vice President; Janet Brade: Mark Dube; and Win Harbison, Secretary.

Administrators present were Superintendent Barbara Marchbanks; Elementary Principal; Technologies Director Cliff Spurlin and Administrators: Jana Muery and Robin Johnson.

Members of the public in attendance were:

Noe Reyes and Ellen Owens of McCreary, Veselka, Bragg & Allen, P.C. (District's Delinquent Tax Attorneys)

Lewis Wilks of US Capital Advisors, LLC. (District's Bond Managers)

Vallerie Reddell, Editor of Elgin Courier Newspaper

12 members of the public – mostly parents of McDade Students

**Public Comment/Open Forum**

Clint Dube, Lisa Taylor, Rhonda Smith, Christi Marks, Karen Glossen, Guadelupe Molena, and Ryan Perry each expressed concern on behalf of their students over the actions/treatment of one of the teachers. Their concerns were also echoed by the other parents present. Bil Kahane thanked the parents for their concern and informed them that since the topic was not listed on the Agenda for this meeting, no action could be taken at this meeting. Also, since this is a personnel issue, not a lot of information may be forthcoming due to the privacy laws, but that the administration would definitely address the issue.

**District Reports**

**Delinquent Tax Attorney's Quarterly Report**

Noe Reyes presented the quarterly report to the board detailing the delinquent tax collections for the past quarter. He covered in detail the taxes outstanding which are collectible and the taxes which are "deferred" due to the Homestead exemption. (These taxes will be collectible upon the death of the taxpayer or other similar reasons.)

**US Capital Advisors Report**

Lewis Wilks presented scenarios and timelines which would be necessary in the event that the Board called a Bond Election. He discussed the costs related to the issuance and the annual costs to repay the Bonds. These were hypothetical costs and schedules as no bond election has been considered at this point.

**Principals' Report**

Scott Houston reported on the current enrollment for PK3 – 6<sup>th</sup> grades. It is 262 students as of today. He discussed various planning and training sessions occurring during the past month and upcoming activities for the next month. The High School report was also presented. Current enrollment is 79 for grades 7 – 10. Some activities for the previous month were reported and upcoming activities were identified.

**Consent Agenda Items**

Mark Dube moved to approve the Minutes of the September 20<sup>th</sup> regular board meeting as presented and the minutes of the Called Meetings of October 3<sup>rd</sup> and October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016, the September Financial Reports, and the Monthly Tax Office Report as presented. Win Harbison seconded and the motion **passed 4 – 0**.

### **Action Items**

- A. Win Harbison moved to accept the Quarterly Delinquent Tax Report as presented by Noe Reyes. Mark Dube seconded and it **passed 4 – 0**.
- B. No action was required on the US Capital Advisors report as presented by Lewis Wilks as this was an information only presentation.
- C. No action was taken related to Priorities for District Growth – Property.
- D. Mrs. Marchbanks presented an annual contract from IPM Company (Terminix) for pest control for the District. Mark Dube moved to approve this contract. Win Harbison seconded, and it **passed 4 – 0**.
- E. Mrs. Marchbanks presented a budget amendment necessary to be awarded Grant Money from TASB for security (\$4,000) and Library Grants for \$1,000 and \$3,000. Win Harbison moved to approve the amendment as presented. Mark Dube seconded and it **passed 4 – 0**.
- F. Mark Dube moved to approve the FIRST Rating for 2015-16 as presented at the public hearing preceding the Regular Meeting. Janet Brade seconded and it **passed 4 – 0**.

### **Recess to Executive Session**

At 8:50 PM the Board recessed in order to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.

### **Back into Open Session**

At 9:55 PM, the Board called itself back into Open Session.

### **Possible topics** suggested for the next meeting were:

- Any of the items on the McDade Board of Trustees Planning Guide listed for October meetings.
- High School Progress
- Facility plan
- Technology 5 year plan
- Safety and security.
- Odessey program
- Sports results
- Look at new teacher training and preparation.
- Establishing goals for the Board and Superintendent (team of 8 training – possibly).
- Strategic Planning Committee reports.

No further business appearing, Janet Brade moved to Adjourn, Mark Dube seconded and it **passed 4 – 0**.

The meeting adjourned at 10:01 PM.

*Win Harbison, Jr.*

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Secretary