

CUTTEN SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD MINUTES

November 14, 2016

6:30 p.m.

Ridgewood School Commons

1.0 CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

Board members in attendance: Mary DeWald, Becky Reese, Verne Skjonsby and Tracy Boobar-Korenstein

Board members absent: Jorey McComas

2.0 CONSENT AGENDA

2.1 Motion by Tracy Boobar Korenstein, second by Verne Skjonsby to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

3.0 VISITOR COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS - None

4.0 INFORMATION / DISCUSSION AGENDA

4.1 Julie Osborne, on behalf of the PTA, reported a storage shed purchased by and reserved for PTA use will appear soon on the Cutten campus. It will replace the blue “storage pod” next to the parking lot and will enable the PTA to have all their carnival materials in one secure place. Current projects for the PTA include spirit wear sales, yearbook cover contest, *Reflections* Art contest and Breakfast with Santa.

4.2 Lucky Syphanthong, CRSF President, reported the Quarter Craze had approximately 100 participants and grossed about \$2,500 which is good for a single night event. He reminded everyone of the Angelo’s take-over on Thursday (all day), November 17; they will be donating 18% of all purchases to our school. The Foundation also has its “Shop Local” event November 19 and 20 and is busy planning the Discover the Decades – *Back to the 80’s* gala event March 11, 2017.

4.3 Sue Ivey reported the Site Council is currently working on the Comprehensive Safe School Plan, incorporating new board policies and updating to current year. The council is also working on the Single School Plan and early planning for a campus workday. The council is fully “staffed” with enthusiastic, hard-working members.

4.4 Julie Osborne and Sue Ivey reviewed the tasks set forth at the October 19 and October 26 staff development evenings for certificated staff. Most grade levels completed the alignment of assessments with every report card item for all three trimesters, in an attempt to bring about grade level consistency in reporting progress, and to align the grade levels vertically.

4.5 Julie Osborne reported the new report cards, designed by a countywide committee of teachers under the guidance of HCOE, will be shared at parent-teacher conferences. There are major

shifts for grades 3 – 6, smaller shifts for grades one and two and none for grade TK / K (this is what they

have been using for a few years). The major shift is this: each line is tied to a state standard, and the letters reflect the students' progress towards end-of-the-year mastery of the standard. Very few report cards will show "M" for mastery at this point in the year, as all content has not been taught. TK – 2 report cards have been standards-based for at least fifteen years. The previous Cutten School report card, unchanged for at least 15 years, was not tied to the standards, and scores were not consistent between grade levels. A letter describing the report card change was sent to parents along with the conference notification letter.

- 4.6 Julie Osborne reported the LCAP Survey is being distributed directly to parents at parent-teacher conferences. It is also available on our website and the link will be texted and emailed via *Blackboard Connect*. The survey helps quantify parent engagement as a required part of the LCAP development process.
- 4.7 Julie Osborne reported we are asking teachers to hand out an interdistrict transfer permit application to out-of-district residents at their conference. Technically, every non-district child should have a permit signed by both the district of residence and proposed district of attendance. Historically, securing this permit was not a priority. Cleaning this up will help us with our record-keeping and will also provide a little more leverage – the permit states grounds for revocation can be the failure to maintain acceptable attendance, good behavior and academic progress.
- 4.8 Cutten School District has leaped into the 21st Century! Thanks to donations by the PTA, CRSF and Donors Choose, Microsoft settlement vouchers, Common Core State Standards implementation funding and savings, we are in excellent shape, tech-wise. Obsolete/broken device replacement is planned for in the LCAP.

5.0 ACTION AGENDA

- 5.1 Motion by Becky Reese, second by Verne Skjonsby to employ classified program aides Samantha Price and Samantha Williams. Motion carried 4-0.

6.0 BOARD MEMBER & ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS / COMMUNICATION

- 6.1 Call for nominations for CSBA Delegate Assembly – no board member expressed interest.

7.0 ADJOURNMENT – 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Osborne
Secretary to the Board