

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ganado ISD, held on Thursday, **May 15, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the Media Center** the following Board Members were present: Pierce Thedford – President, Allen Parks - Vice President, Ruben Castillo, Carl Hajovsky, Carol Janssen, Albert Strauss, and Donnie Tegeler. Jeff Black, superintendent, was also present. There were 42 guests present.

The meeting was **called to order** with a quorum present at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Thedford congratulated and welcomed the newly elected Board Members Mr. Hajovsky and Ms. Janssen.

The Board recognized the Students of the Month for April and presented them with a plaque. The Elementary Students honored were 6th Grade Students Ms. Ashley Bridges and Mr. Clay Vesley who were presented by their teacher, Ms. DeBord, and presented plaques from the board by Mr. Thedford and Mr. Tegeler. The Secondary Student honored was Mr. Ross Rakowitz, who was presented by Mr. Andy Bridges and presented a plaque from the board by Mr. Castillo. Mr. Knowlton then talked about high Math Scores in the 2nd Grade end of year test. Mr. Rabe talked about the summer workout plans and 7 on 7 games and Mr. Rosalez reported on Seth Labay advancing to the State track meet. Mr. Bridges highlighted the High School accomplishments including Ag Day participation and upcoming events including graduation and ACT Testing in the district.

Mr. Thedford opened the floor for reorganization of the Board and asked for nominations for President. Mr. Parks nominated Mr. Thedford for President. Mr. Strauss nominated Mr. Castillo for President. Mr. Tegeler made the motion that nominations cease and Mr. Hajovsky seconded the motion which passed 7-0. The vote for President was 4 voted for Mr. Thedford and 3 voted for Mr. Castillo, so Mr. Thedford was named Board President.

Mr. Thedford then asked for nominations for Vice-President. Mr. Tegeler nominated Mr. Parks for Vice-President. Mr. Strauss nominated Mr. Castillo for Vice-President. Mr. Tegeler made the motion that nominations cease and Mr. Parks seconded the motion which passed 7-0. The vote for Vice-President was 4 voted for Mr. Parks and 3 voted for Mr. Castillo, so Mr. Parks was named Board Vice-President.

Mr. Thedford then asked for nominations for Secretary. Mr. Strauss nominated Mr. Hajovsky for Secretary. Mr. Tegeler made the motion that nominations cease and Mr. Castillo seconded the motion which passed 7-0. The vote for Secretary was 7-0 for Mr. Hajovsky, so Mr. Hajovsky was named Board Secretary.

There were no Public Comments

Mr. Castillo made the motion **to approve the consent agenda as presented with the addition of donating 100 unused chairs to the American Legion.** Mr. Parks seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

- a. Approved minutes of previous meeting on April 17, 2008.
- b. Approved Receiving Reports – Cash Flow Sheet, Utility Expenditure Spreadsheet, Check Register, RSCCC Board Reports, and the Investment Report.
- c. Approved accepting donation from PTA for \$647.50 for 4th and 1st Grade Field Trips and \$300 from Sons of Hermann for Auditorium
- d. The Board approved giving up to 10 of the old cafeteria tables and 100 old unused folding chairs to the American Legion Post #346.
- e. Approved Purchase Orders over \$10,000
 - Direct Energy Electricity Payment \$12,687.50
 - Rawley McCoy – Architect \$28,240.87
- f. Approved Budget Amendments

199-00-5711-00-000-800000	Tax Revenue (M&O) – Increase by \$150,000
199-00-5812-00-000-800000	State Foundation Fund – Increase by \$155,000
599-00-5711-00-000-800000	Tax Revenue (I&S) – Increase by \$50,000
199-33-6399-00-999-899000	Nurse Supplies – Increase by \$1,500
199-81-6629-00-999-899000	Land Purchase – Increase to \$45,000
199-93-6492-00-999-823000	Shared Serv Spec Ed – Increase by \$23,000
240-35-6341-00-999-899000	Food – Increase by \$15,000

The Board Members then discussed the Bond Projects. Mr. Black reported that the City Council had voted to waive all building permit fees and were working closely with the school district to ensure that the building projects go as smoothly and quickly as possible. The Board Members then heard from Mr. McCoy, Architect, on the progress of the Construction Projects. Mr. McCoy stated that we are still on schedule and expects the Board to be able to view the proposal packages in June so we can begin soliciting Competitive Sealed Proposals for the Band Hall and Gym to accept in July.

The Board of Trustees on this day beginning at 7:20 p.m. convened in a closed session in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act Code Section 551.071 to consult with its attorney and in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act Code Section 551.0821 to consider Discipline of a Public School Child. **The Board reconvened into open session at 9:12 p.m.** with the following action taken. Mr. Castillo moved that the Board uphold the administrative decision, but that the Board directs the administrators to reconsider if criminal assault charges are filed, and that we post a future agenda item to discuss reviewing our discipline process and possibly including the site base committee or other community input. Mr. Tegeler seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

The Board Members discussed the proposed tax rate and 2008-09 budget. Mr. Black explained that although this would be published in the paper and a hearing held at the next regular board meeting for passing the budget, that the Board would not formally approve the final tax rate until the August Board Meeting. Mr. Parks made the motion to approve the proposed M&O tax rate of \$1.04 and a proposed I&S tax rate of \$0.195 for a total tax rate of \$1.235 for Ganado ISD for 2008-09 school year with the proposed budget as recommended. Mr. Castillo seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

The Board Members then discussed the Region III Services and Mr. Black went through the ones he was recommending. Mr. Tegeler made the motion that the

Board approves the Region III services for 2008-09 as recommended. Mr. Hajovsky seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

The Administrators then reported on;

- Summer School – Mr. Knowlton, Elementary Principal, and Mr. Bridges, High School Principal, both presented their plans for their 2008 Summer Schools.
- Mr. Black reported that some of the TAKS retest scores had arrived with several more students passing the retests, but that the bulk of the TAKS Testing Results had still not arrived. He explained that they are not required to be in the district until May 23rd, but we expect them earlier.
- The Board Planning Calendar was provided for possible upcoming agenda items.

The Board of Trustees on this day beginning at 9:22 p.m. convened in a closed session in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act Code Section 551.074 to consider Personnel - Hiring. The **Board reconvened at 9:33 p.m.** with no action taken.

The Board Members then reviewed the calendar of proposed meetings. The June 5th team building had several conflicts and all Board Members agreed that they could make a June 17th Workshop for the Team of Eight training. The Board Members felt that the rest of the meeting dates were fine at this time and could be placed on the calendar.

With there being no further business, Mr. Thedford adjourned the meeting.

President

ATTEST –

Secretary