

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ganado ISD, held on Thursday, **November 20, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the Library/Media Center** the following Board Members were present: Pierce Thedford – President, Allen Parks - Vice President Carl Hajovsky – Secretary, Carol Janssen, Albert Strauss, and Donnie Tegeler. Jeff Black, superintendent, was also present. There were 23 guests present. Ruben Castillo was not present and arrived at 7:10 p.m.

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

The Board recognized the Students of the Month for October and presented them with a plaque. The Elementary Student honored was Fourth Grade Student Mr. Garrett McCann, who was presented to the Board by Ms. Frances Toman, 4th/5th Grade Teacher, and was presented a plaque from the Board by Ms. Janssen. The Secondary Student honored was Ms. Allyson Bagby, who was presented to the Board by Robin McCann, High School Counselor, and was presented a plaque from the Board by Mr. Thedford. Mr. Andy Bridges, High School Principal, talked about the success of Volleyball and Football and informed the Board that the presentation of the Area Trophy to the Volleyball Team would take place at the December Meeting. Mr. Virgil Knowlton, Elementary Principal, spoke about elementary student accomplishments with the Spelling Bee and UIL, Math Benchmarks, and Music Program. Ms. Missy Klmitchek, Grant Director, reported on the Math and English Benchmarks and the success on those, and then reported that the majority of the seniors who took the Science TAKS worked very hard and were very successful on the test.

There were no public Comments

Mr. Tegeler made the motion **to approve the consent agenda with the addition of the \$440.05 donation from the Athletic Booster Club.** Mr. Hajovsky seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

- a. Approved minutes of previous meetings on October 21, 2008
- b. Approved Receiving Reports – Cash Flow Sheet, Utility Expenditure Spreadsheet, Check Register, RSCCC Board Reports, Transportation Report, and the Investment Report
- c. Approved Donations for \$2,100 from the Booster club for Wind Suits for the Track Team and \$440.05 to the Baseball team for Pullovers. Several Lawn Mower Motors and Parts donated from Mr. Appliance, courtesy of Mr. & Ms. Russellburg for the amount of \$18,892.63 to the Ag Department
- d. Approved Purchase Orders over \$10,000
 - Direct Energy Electricity Payment \$ 18,149.72
 - K & T Construction (Sept) \$ 141,918.60
 - K & T Construction (Oct) \$ 82,900.80
- e. Approved Tax Levy / Special Assessment Revenue
- f. Approved Sale of Surplus Goods

The Administrative Reports were presented for;

- Volleyball/Football/Cross Country/ Basketball Updates – Coach Liza Crozier provided a preview for the Girl's Basketball Program and Coach Jeremy Mauk provided a preview for the Boy's Basketball Program
- Cheerleader Constitution – There were no recommended changes and no input from Board Members for changes
- Grant Updates – Mr. Knowlton reported on the progress of the Elementary Grant program and reported that a presentation these counselors made at a state conference has given Ganado ISD some very positive accolades across the state. Ms. Klimitchek reported on the High School Alcohol Prevention Grant and pointed out that two of the measures, Grades at the 2nd six weeks and office referrals, were both very positive evidence of the grant already having an impact for the students in the High School. Mr. Joey Rosalez, Assistant Principal, reported on the Drug Testing Program and reported that the positive tests continue to be rare.
- AEIS District and Campus Reports – Mr. Black handed out the newest AEIS Reports and encouraged Board Members to look over them and stated that a hearing on them and the School Report Cards will likely be on the December Agenda
- The Board Planning Calendar was provided to show possible upcoming agenda items

The Board briefly discussed the Bond Building Projects with Mr. David Bures, Maintenance Director, giving a progress report on the construction. He stated that the Piers were almost complete and the foundation wall should be formed and poured soon.

Mr. Black presented information about the TEA Target Revenue funding method currently used by the state. He provided charts and information that he presented to State Senator Hegar in their visit and he commended Senator Hegar for his responsiveness and attentiveness to the issue. The draft resolution was provided to the Board Members and Mr. Black asked for input on this so that it could be approved formally at the December Meeting. No action was taken.

The Board Members received the proposed 2009-12 District Technology Plan to consider. Mr. Black pointed out that it did include statements to continue upgrading the system and that it now includes the plan to work to provide laptops for all students. However, he acknowledged that unless a grant is secured, that it is unlikely the district will have the resources to do this until then. Mr. Black assured the Board Members that if they found any changes they want, the plan could be placed on a future meeting for consideration and approval of the changes. He also assured the Board Members that large purchases, such as the laptops, would not be made without Board Member discussion and approval. Mr. Tegeler made the motion to approve the Ganado ISD Technology Plan for 2009-12 as presented. Mr. Parks seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-1 with Mr. Strauss voting against.

The Board Members discussed hiring the auditor for fiscal year 2008-09. It was discussed that with a construction project under way that it could be good to keep them at least through the end of that project. Mr. Castillo made the motion to approve Roloff, Hnatek & Co. to do the independent district audit for the fiscal year 2008-09. Ms. Janssen seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-1 with Mr. Strauss voting against.

The Board Members discussed appointments to the Jackson County Appraisal Board. Mr. Hajovsky made the motion to approve Travis Glass to be the representative on the Appraisal Board for Ganado ISD. Mr. Parks seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

The Board Members received their first reading of TASB Policy Update 84. Mr. Black stated that he had briefly reviewed the update and had not found anything unusual. He encouraged the Board Members to look over it and let him know if they had any concerns and he would have detailed recommendations at the December Meeting.

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

President

ATTEST –

Secretary