

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ganado ISD, held on Thursday, **January 15, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Library/Media Center** the following Board Members were present: Pierce Thedford – President, Allen Parks - Vice President, Ruben Castillo, Carol Janssen, Albert Strauss, and Donnie Tegeler. Carl Hajovsky – Secretary was not present. Jeff Black, superintendent, was present. There were 103 guests present.

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

Mr. Black presented each Board Member with an appreciation certificate and the Ganado ISD Employees presented the Board Members with an appreciation gift bag and a meal. The Board Members were honored for their service to the district and particularly the students of Ganado ISD.

Mr. Virgil Knowlton, Elementary Principal, gave an update on the Elementary and their benchmark testing results and how they showed progress toward their goal of Exemplary. The Board recognized the Students of the Month for December and presented them with a plaque. The Elementary Student honored was Second Grade Student Ms. Reyna Gonzales, who was presented to the Board by Ms. Susan Hurt, 2nd Grade Teacher, and was presented a plaque from the Board by Mr. Parks. The Secondary Student honored was Ms. Georgi Garza, who was presented to the Board by Mr. Greg Bagby, High School Teacher, and was presented a plaque from the Board by Mr. Castillo. Then Mr. Thedford congratulated the Football Team for their accomplishments this year and thanked them for how they represented Ganado ISD. Mike Rabe, Athletic Director, talked about the season and explained the significance of the UIL Bronze Medals that each participant had received for reaching the Semi-Finals. Coach Rabe also presented both the football trophy and the UIL official trophy to the captains of the team. Mr. Thedford then congratulated Coach Rabe for being selected as the Victoria Advocate Area Football Coach of the Year for 2008.

There was no one to speak on the public comments.

Mr. Tegeler made the motion **to approve the consent agenda with the addition of the payment authorization from K&T Construction**. Ms. Janssen seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

- a. Approved minutes of previous meetings on December 18, 2008
- b. Approved Receiving Reports – Cash Flow Sheet, Utility Expenditure Spreadsheet, Check Register, RSCCC Board Reports, Transportation Report, and the Investment Report
- c. There were no donations at this meeting
- d. Approved Purchase Orders over \$10,000
  - Direct Energy Electricity Payment \$ 13,333.27
  - K & T Construction \$ 276,751.15
  - Wells Fargo – Bond Interest Payment \$ 89,640.00
  - Jackson County Appraisal District \$ 12,831.32

- e. Approved Golden Crescent Tech-Prep Award

Administrative Reports were presented;

- a. Grant Reports – Mr. Knowlton, Elementary Principal, reported on the Elementary Counselor Grant and their recent Parent Program to help prevent bullying. Ms. Klimitchek, HS Grant Director, reported on the High School Alcohol Prevention Grant and their continued academic indicators showing success. Mr. Bridges, High School Principal, reported on the ESL Grant and the Drug Testing Grant and reported that the Saliva Tests are now being used as approved for drug testing.
- b. 2009-10 School Calendar – The future school calendar was discussed and input sought for beginning this process.
- c. Board Planning Calendar – This was handed out to show possible future agenda topics.

Construction Projects – Mr. David Bures gave an update on the Band Hall and Gym with projected dates for pouring the foundations starting with the Band Hall in one pour and then moving to the Gym and taking two pours.

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

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**President**

**ATTEST –**

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**Secretary**