

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ganado ISD, held on Thursday, **April 16, 2009 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, Ruben Castillo, Carol Janssen, Albert Strauss, and Donnie Tegeler. Jeff Black, superintendent, was present. There were 24 guests present.

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

The Elementary Student of the Month for March was Ms. Kristin Sparkman who was presented to the Board by Ms. Tina Gresham, Elementary Teacher, and presented with a plaque from the Board by Mr. Castillo. Mr. Andy Bridges, HS Principal, presented an introduction for Mr. T.J. Biehle, junior, who was selected as the Secondary Student of the month for March but was unable to attend. Mr. Virgil Knowlton, Elementary Principal, presented the Elementary Poster Competition results with Cheyenne Galindo and Kylie Hicks winning the overall. Mr. Joey Rosalez, Assistant Principal, presented information on the Academic UIL Winners and pointed out that we placed 6th out of 16 teams in district with nine students advancing to the Regional Competition.

There was no one to speak during public comments.

Mr. Castillo made the motion **to approve the consent agenda as presented**. Mr. Parks seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

- a. Approved minutes of previous meetings on March 26, 2009
- b. Approved Receiving Reports – Cash Flow Sheet, Utility Expenditure Spreadsheet, Check Register, RSCCC Board Reports, Transportation Report, and the Investment Report
- c. Approved Donations from Athletic Booster for \$340 for Baseball Bats
- d. Approved Purchase Orders over \$10,000
 - Direct Energy Electricity Payment \$ 13,909.89
 - K & T Construction 7th Payment \$ 330,833.70
- e. Approved Appointing Diane Neumann as Election Judge
- f. Approved extending the Depository Contract with First State Bank Louise for two more years

Construction Projects – Mr. David Bures, Ganado ISD Operations Director, Mr. Brian Parker, Architect, and Mr. Billy Berger, Architect, all gave an updates on the Band Hall and Gym projects. Mr. Parker also discussed the preliminary issues on the Kitchen/Cafeteria Upgrades.

Administrative Reports were presented;

- a. Grant Reports – Mr. Knowlton provided handouts for the Elementary Counselor Grant and stated that discipline referrals are

down 55% from last year. Mr. Rosalez stated that there were 221 drug tests conducted in March with no positive tests. Ms. Missy Klimitchek, Grant Director, reported on their success working with ESL students and provided information about their upcoming tobacco prevention program and drug awareness.

- b. 2009-10 Student Dress Code – The administration presented next year’s dress code with no recommended changes – there were commendations on how our students looked when they went to other districts – there were no suggestions for change.
- c. Insurance Update – Mr. Louis Kozelsky, business manager, presented information on the property and casualty insurance for the district and let them know that due to the increases in price that he is exploring other options that he feels will be more in the price the district can pay.
- d. Board Planning Calendar – for future agenda items

The Board Members then discussed the possibility of creating a new Ganado Campus focusing on grades 6th, 7th, and 8th. There was a lot of discussion about what would be best for the students. Mr. Castillo made the motion that Ganado ISD take the steps to create a new 6th, 7th, and 8th grade campus. Ms. Janssen seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-1 with Mr. Strauss voting no.

Mr. Black then discussed the 2009-10 budget pointing out that the codes would change with the creation of the new campus, but that the bottom line numbers would remain the same and balanced unless the Board requests changes. None were requested.

The Board of Trustees on this day beginning at 8:13 p.m. convened in a closed session in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act Code Section 551.074 to discuss Governance- Board Members’ Evaluation. The **Board reconvened at 8:43 p.m.** with no action taken.

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

President

ATTEST –

Secretary