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Woodsboro ISD - September 17, 2018

Summary of Board Meeting September 17, 2018



Reports

The WISD Board of Trustees heard reports on the following matters:

1. Facilities: Architect Bill Wilson, WKMC Architects, presented copies of a timeline from July 2018 to March 2020 which shows the sequence of completing minor and major projects. For minor projects, he reported that the asbestos removal is not complete for the 1939 building and the 1956 auditorium. The solar panel system on the roof of the 1939 building will be offered for sale to the public when he releases the bid information.

Major projects are the demolition of two buildings (auditorium/band hall and 1939 gym with classrooms) and two portables (old elementary and teacher's lounge). Before anyone can move the solar panels, however, power must be cut off from the existing connection to the 1956 junior high gym. Concerning the demolition of the 1939 gym, utilities must be relocated. To remove the elementary portable building, the water and chill water lines must be cut, capped, and relocated. Elementary has some electric and solar panels that also must be removed. A utility easement must be determined. He plans to have all the roofing bids prepared before December 1.

2. Rotary Club International, District 5930: Representatives of the Rotary, Andy Hagan, Ellison Crider, and Maxie Houser, listened as their member, Dr. Elaine Hernandez, spoke about their donations to benefit Woodsboro students. Since Hurricane Harvey, the Rotary Club has granted WISD \$28,751 for band instruments and elementary music. They also donated \$19,310.55 for outdoor concrete picnic tables for secondary students. Dr. Hernandez emphasized maintaining perseverance.

When she came to Woodsboro in December 2017, about the district's summer feeding program, she asked me what was my vision for improvements and what she could do to help. I identified that we needed band instrument replacement and an outdoor eating area for secondary students. She began writing grants, requesting funds from Rotary.

Her next project is a child nutrition project. She plans to write grants until she has enough funds to purchase a food trailer for serving food to jr. high and high school students. The trailer will be used for the Texas Department of Agriculture's (TDA) school meals (breakfast, lunch, and summer meals) which qualifies for reimbursement.

3. Other Grants: \$843,299 Total

Project SERV - counselor	\$9,027
Aid to Restart School Operations	35,648
Emergency Impact Aid	748,624
AFGRE Monsanto Fund	10,000
Meadows Mental Health	40,000

The district will follow guidelines for expending these grant funds.

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4. Tax Collection System, Refugio Co. The monthly report ending August 31, 2018, shows that \$4,106,845.48 has been paid by taxpayers year-to-date. The collection rate is 98.28%. Thank you, taxpayers! A balance of \$71,743.35 remains outstanding.

5. State Accountability: In August 2018 the TEA awarded WISD the following scores based on the Spring 2018 STAAR tests:

2018	WISD	WJH/HS	Elementary
Student Achievement	86	86	70
School Progress	92	88	74
Closing the Gap	78	76	33

6. Comprehensive Support, 2018-2020 Woodsboro Elementary qualifies for TEA Comprehensive Support due to their low score on Closing the Gap (above). The Campus Leadership Team (CLT) working with the District Coordinator for School Improvement (DCSI), the principal, and the Professional Service Provider (PSP) will conduct a public meeting on September 25 from 5 to 6 p.m. in the cafeteria to solicit ideas for how to close the achievement gap at the elementary school. By utilizing data, research, and public suggestions, the Targeted Improvement Plan will be written and then submitted for approval to the Board in October. All reports will be submitted to the Texas Education Agency, School Improvement Division.

7. Superintendent Evaluation Calendar The Board reviewed activities that included Board self-appraisal, evaluation of superintendent's job performance, and setting new goals.

8. Board Policy EIC (Local) Academic Achievement--Class Ranking: Principal Tisha Piwetz presented revisions to the policy on how grade points are averaged and how the valedictorian and salutatorian are selected. The revised policy may be approved at the October board meeting.



Board Meeting Action

The WISD Board of Trustees approved the following items:

- 1. Adopted Board Policy Update 111** consisting of changes to Board member training, fiscal management goals, contracted services, criminal history, employee compensation, and compulsory attendance.
- 2. Approved the District's Emergency Operations Plan (EOP).** Jimmy Blaschke presented the new EOP. He discussed the importance of school security which has been implemented: access control with name tag checks, name badges for employees, and an app for drills. Doors will remain locked. In the event of a hurricane, Refugio County is an evacuation county. The Eagle Dome which is our multi-purpose gym is intended for first responders' emergency housing so that recovery can begin quickly after the storm subsides.
- 3. Approved adding Boogie Barber** to the resolution as an adjunct faculty member with the Refugio County Extension Agency.
- 4. Approved the modular building** to lease for the band. The superintendent will research and select the company.