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Woodsboro ISD - May 21, 2018

## SCHOOL SAFETY

Woodsboro Administration is asking all students and adults to stay away from the school buildings that have received the most storm damage: Auditorium, band hall, and elementary gym. Please, let's keep everyone safe.

**If you see something--say something!**

## Summary of Board Meeting May 21, 2018

### Board Recognition

After Board President Robbie Thomas called the meeting to order, he called on Mrs. Sykora to recognize business leaders who support public schools and have contributed significantly to WISD this year. The following organizations or schools and leaders received a certificate: Larry Jochetz, Woodsboro Farmers Coop; Trent Farris, FEMA; Dr. Elaine Hernandez, McAllen North Rotary Club; George Hamilton, Director of Transportation and Dr. Chris Allen, Supt., Marble Falls ISD; Supt. Scott Harrell, Sudan ISD; and Sgt. Douglas Greene, San Antonio Police Officers Association. Mrs. Sykora presented Robbie Thomas a plaque honoring him for his 25 years of service to the WISD Board of Trustees.

### UIL Recognition

- Coach Xavier Rangel, Athletic Director, recognized students for their athletic accomplishments at the state meet.

- Andy Dunn, math teacher, recognized the students for competing in number sense. The math team placed 2nd in district, competed in Regional UIL as the wild card and placed 6th at state.
- *Congratulations! We are certainly proud of our students' athletic and academic achievements.*

## Reports

The WISD Board heard reports on the following matters:

1. **Facilities:** Architect David Brown continues to meet with the district and the FEMA program manager to discuss proposed roof repairs. The bid package was presented to TDEM and FEMA for their approval. He discussed demolishing the auditorium/band hall so that it would be placed into one proposal along with the 1939 gym and the damaged wing at the elementary campus. The board had already approved demolishing the other two facilities in previous meetings. Mr. Brown announced that since he plans to retire at the end of December, we should contract with another architect. To ensure a smooth transition, he will continue to work with the selected firm which includes providing them with the plans and details he has already completed on behalf of WISD.
2. **Band Portable:** FEMA documents have been completed in order to provide a portable building for the band to use. In March, FEMA inspections determined that the Auditorium/Band Hall structure was approximately 42% damaged. The

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insurance adjuster determined the damages to be 43%. Therefore, the building does not meet FEMA's 50% replacement rule. Due to extensive Hurricane Harvey damage the Auditorium/Band Hall is not inhabitable. Either repair or replacement of the 1956 structure may be cost prohibitive.

In a FEMA document labeled Appendix A: Alternative Procedures Pilot Program for Permanent Work Acknowledgement, the district is applying for construction of a permanent band hall.

3. **Budget:** As Mrs. Sykora reviewed the budget development calendar for 2018-19, she handed out the current salary charts for WISD employees. She noted that these charts are also available on the district website. Until the district receives the final certified report from the appraisal district in late July, she is unable to recommend any salary increases at this time. For those who are on a salary chart with an annual step, the employee will advance on that step. She presented the current stipend chart for employees who are paid for additional assignments.
4. **STAAR:** Cindy Krause, Curriculum Director, presented grades 5 and 8 results in spring STAAR reading and math assessments. The report showed increases in almost every area. *Thank you teachers and students!*
5. **WES:** Principal Leslie Garza reported on the success of the Accelerated Reader's Century Club where 57 students met the Century Club Challenge.

## Board Meeting Action

The WISD Board of Trustees approved of the following items:

1. The Board of Trustees approved demolition of the Auditorium/Band Hall. They authorized the district to get three sealed proposals for demolishing all three unusable buildings: Auditorium/Band Hall, 1939 gym and classrooms on Locke Street, and the elementary wing with the old teacher's lounge.
2. Since architect David Brown is retiring, the Board approved contracting with WKMC Architects, Corpus Christi, at his recommendation. This firm had submitted a statement of qualifications to WISD in October 2017.
3. The board approved deleting the names of the past two superintendents and the bookkeeper on investment forms and authorized the addition of the name of the current superintendent.
4. The board approved TEA Innovative Courses for implementation for next year's students in grades 11-12:
  - Process Technology (PEIMS code N1300262).
  - Petrochemical, Safety, Health and Environment (PEIMS N13002640)
  - Independent Study in Math (1st time taken) (PEIMS 03102500).
5. The board approved employment for Secondary campus: Tisha Piwetz, Principal, and Evonne Valle, Counselor. Elementary campus: Brooke Jessop, Pre-K Teacher, and Antonio Martinez, Kindergarten Teacher.