

UNION HILL ISD  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 12, 2012  
6:00 P.M.

**Members Present:**

Mary Gipson	Loy DeMoss	Sheila Johnson
James Grunden	Bobbie Mauk	James Parker
Jackie Johnston		

**AGENDA:**

I. Meeting opened at 6:06 P.M.                      Prayer: James Grunden

II. Guests present were: Monica Tarwater, Community Member, Brad Watson,  
Principal

No Open Forum required

III. Minutes from the previous meetings on March 8, 2012 and April 3, 2012 (special meeting) were presented and reviewed.

**A motion by James Parker and a second by James Grunden to approve minutes from March 8 and April 3, 2012 as read. Motion carries unanimously.**

**IV. Items:**

1. Supt. Richardson presented the board with the Resolution Concerning High Stakes, Standardized Testing of Texas Public School Students. This resolution is being adopted by districts across the state to send to the Texas Legislature asking them to reexamine the public school accountability system in Texas.

**A motion by Loy DeMoss and second by Jackie Johnston to approve the adoption of the Resolution Concerning High Stakes, Standardized Testing of Texas Public School Students. Motion carries unanimously.**

2. Mr. Donald Sinuefield could not attend the meeting, therefore in his absence, Supt. Richardson gave the board a report on recent lightning and wind damage at the district. The district officials are working with TASB Insurance claims adjusters to survey the damage and file the claims.

3. Supt. Richardson informed the board that documents had been given to all Upshur County School Superintendents concerning the land lease in West Texas. She explained that each district receives a portion of the proceeds from the lease each year according to the ADA of students enrolled living in Upshur County. A private citizen brought information with a concern that the districts might not be receiving all proceeds due to them. The county Superintendents met on the issue and decided that they wished to take no action on the matter. All Superintendents felt our portion was adequate.

#### **V. SUPERINTENDENT'S INFORMATION REPORT**

Information on the following items was sent home in monthly board packets. All items were open for further discussion during the meeting.

1. District Enrollment 304 Elementary 175 HS 129
2. STAAR/EOC Testing Supt. Richardson reported that we had finished the first round of testing. The heaviest week of testing will be held the week of April 23-27, 2012.
- 3 U.I.L. Academic/Track Results Supt. Richardson reported that 3 or 4 students would travel to SFA in Nacogdoches for Regional UIL academic events on April 20 and 21. In track 5 or 6 students will advance to Area in Palestine on April 27. Union Hill Jr High and High School boys and girls placed 1st place in the district track meets.
4. TASB Loss Prevention Grant Supt. Richardson informed the board we had received the TASB Loss Prevention Grant. We received the full amount of \$4,000.00 to purchase additional camera equipment for buses.

5. Request to Purchase Oil & Gas Rights Supt. Richardson presented the board with a letter from a company along with a check for approx. \$3,000.00 asking us to sell them the rights to our portion of the Oil & Gas Lease She explained that in the past the board and administration did not wish to relinquish control and she did not recommend doing so at this time.
6. TRS Active Care Insurance Micki Miller informed the board of her recent workshop on the health insurance program for the 2012-13 year. She stated that not many changes were made with the exception of another increase in premiums.
7. Carl Perkins Grant We just received notification that additional funds were being awarded to us for the Carl Perkins Vocational Grant. Mr. Duffey is ordering a plasma cutting table with funds.

**VI. FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

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| 1. Accounts Payable  | \$ 51,323.72   |
| 2. Tax Collection    | \$ 830,632.40  |
| 3. Investment Report | \$1,777,155.47 |
| 4. Cash Flow Sheet   | Reviewed       |

**A motion by James Grunden and second by James Parker to approve the financial reports. Motion carries unanimously.**

- VII. The board convened into closed session at 7:05 p.m. under Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code (TEC 551.074/TEC 551.075)
- VIII. The board reconvened into open session at 8:15 p.m. on Thursday, April 12 2012 to take possible action on items discussed in closed session.

**A motion by Jackie Johnston and second by James Parker to propose non-renewal of the term contract of John Brosemer due to a program change of reduction in force and direct that the employee receive written notice of the boards action as required by law. Motion carries unanimously.**

**A motion by Jackie Johnston and second by James Parker to approve a 1-year administrative contract for Brad Watson as Elementary Principal for PK-6 grades for the 2012-2013 school year. Motion carries unanimously.**

**A motion James Parker and second by Sheila Johnson to approve teacher, counselor and librarian contracts as recommended by the principal for the 2012-2013 school year. (See attached) Motion carried unanimously.**

**A motion by James Parker and second by James Grunden to terminate the 2011-12 probationary contract of Dale Witcher upon the recommendation of the principal. Motion carries with (5) For (1) No; Loy DeMoss and (1) Abstain; Sheila Johnson**

VIII. Adjournment

**A motion by James Parker and second by James Grunden to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m. on April 12, 2012. Motion carries unanimously.**

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**Mary Gipson, Board President**

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**Loy DeMoss, Board Secretary**

