

UNION HILL ISD  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 16, 2019  
6:00 P.M.

**Members Present:**

James Parker	James Gruden	Bill Johnston	Clint Steelman
Mary Gipson	Neal Andrews	Chuck Montgomery	

**Members Absent:** None

**AGENDA:**

- I. Meeting opened at 6:00 P.M. Prayer: Clint Steelman
- II. Recognition of Guests/Open Forum Special Guest:  
Guest: Julie Grunden
- III. Minutes from the previous meetings on March 14, 2019 were presented.

**A motion by Bill Johnston and a second by James Grunden to approve the minutes from March 14, 2019 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

**IV. ACTION ITEMS**

1. Discuss/Consider TASB Policy Update 111

**A motion by Bill Johnston and a second by Chuck Montgomery to approve and adopt TASB Policy Update 111 with changing the wording from firearms loaded to UNLOADED, locked in personal vehicle. Motion carried unanimously.**

2. Discuss/Consider Revised Policy DH Local

**A motion by Bill Johnston and a second by James Grunden to approve Revised Policy DH Local. Motion carried unanimously.**

3. Discuss/Consider Revised Policy GKA Local

**A motion by Bill Johnston and a second by Chuck Montgomery to approve Revised Policy GKA Local. Motion carried unanimously.**

4. Discuss/Consider 2019-2020 Proposed School Calendar

Dr. Batts presented the 2019-2020 Proposed School Calendar. He explained there will not be as many optional Fridays and the following are Holidays:

Aug 30 Holiday, Sept. 2 Labor Day, Oct. 17 & 18 Yamboree, Oct. 25 Holiday, Nov. 25-29 Thanksgiving, Dec. 19-Jan 3 Christmas, Jan. 20 Holiday, March 9-13 Spring Break, April 10 Holiday.

March 27 UIL Day

May 11-15 STAAR Testing

Dr. Batts also explained he will ask TEA for 2,100 staff development waiver minutes. Teachers will work double days on Staff development days until 6:00 P.M to receive credit.

The band will go to High Island on Oct. 25 for football game.

**A motion by Chuck Montgomery and a second by Neal Andrews to approve 2019-2020 Calendar as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

5. Discuss/Consider Junior High/High School Art Position.

Dr. Batts reported we have Fine Arts classes consisting of Band and Dual credit Music History. An Art teacher would allow one more option for students in the Fine Arts category.

**A motion by Chuck Montgomery and a second by Neal Andrew to approve Jr. High/High School Art Position but not hire another teacher. Motion carried unanimously.**

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

1. District Enrollment

Enrollment for the District is High School 157 and Elementary is 174. Total Enrollment is 331. James Parker asked for ADA at the next meeting. We have five students attending Saturday School.

2. District Information

\*Sheriff's Office has found a SRO candidate who is interested in our SRO position.

\*New phone system is installed and working great.

\*High School Office PEIMS Secretary Tori Smith resigned. Laura Crone took over her duties.

\*House Bill and Senate Bill 3 has temporary template to see what funding we will have.

\*Posted possible positions in Elementary and High School.

3. CPS Online Training- All staff except for one person completed 1 hr. training online. The one staff member who did not complete will complete.

4. Board Training Workshop will be held in Commerce, TX at Texas A&M University in the Sam Rayburn Student Center on May 14, 2019. All members are registered to attend.

Dr. Batts discussed the Band earning Sweepstakes at contest and the school calendar of events for April and May. Dr. Batts reported with the current legislation students could have to pay for all Dual Credit classes next year.

## **VI. FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

Maintenance/Operation total \$979,514.02

Tax Collection total \$946,264.82

**VII. Convened into closed session at 6:57 p.m. under Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code. (TEC551.074, TEC 551.0754 and TEC51.083).**

**VIII. Reconvene in open session at 7:00 p.m.**

**A motion by Bill Johnston and seconded by Chuck Montgomery to hire on a Probationary 10-month contract. Motion carried unanimously.**

Christopher Hantz  
Brandon Johnson  
Robert McGraw

Tristen Johnson  
David Hunt  
Crystal Johnson

Debra Brill  
Lara Nelson  
Shelly Barron

**A motion by Bill Johnston and seconded by James Grunden to hire on a Term 10-month contract. Motion carried unanimously.**

Lana Stracener  
Kristen Denson  
Christopher Hallmark  
Courtney Hantz  
Regina Parish  
James Qualls  
Benjamin Smith

Gay Cooley  
Aimee Rider  
Kyle Youngblood  
Connie Johnston  
Debora Kuza  
Joanna Lambert  
Dina Cheatwood

Penny Collier  
Amy Young  
TeAnn Boney  
Ashley Taylor  
Cindy Lewis  
Melisa Tidball

**A motion by Bill Johnston and seconded by Chuck Montgomery to hire on a Term Librarian 10-month contract. Motion carried unanimously.**

Michel Lain

**A motion by James Grunden and seconded by Chuck Montgomery to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m. on Tuesday, April 16, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.**

  
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James Parker, President

  
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Mary Gipson, Board Secretary

UNION HILL ISD  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
May 16, 2019  
6:00 P.M.

**Members Present:**

James Parker	James Gruden	Bill Johnston	T.J Harris (6:20 p.m.)
Mary Gipson	Neal Andrews	Chuck Montgomery	

**Members Absent:** Clint Steelman

**AGENDA:**

**I.** Meeting opened at 6:00 P.M. Prayer: James Grunden

**Convened into closed session at 6:03 p.m. under Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code. (TEC551.074, TEC 551.0754 and TEC51.083).**

**Reconvene in open session at 6:10 p.m.**

1. Consider/Approve Trustee Resignation

**A motion by Chuck Montgomery and a second by Mary Gipson to accept the resignation of Board Trustee Clint Steeman. Motion carried unanimously.**

2. Consider/Discuss appointment of replacement board member

**A motion by Chuck Montgomery and a second by James Grunden to appoint Tommy Joe (T.J.) Harris as Board Trustee. Motion carried unanimously.**

**II.** Recognition of Guests/Open Forum Special Guest:  
Guest: Dr. John Denson, Kristi Denson, T.J. Harris, Adam Stracener

**III.** Minutes from the previous meetings on April 16, 2019.

**A motion by Bill Johnston and a second by James Grunden to table the minutes from April 16, 2019 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.**

**IV. ACTION ITEMS**

2. New Trustee Oath of Office and Swearing In

**T.J Harris was sworn in by Dr. Troy Batts as a Union Hill ISD Board Trustee.**

3. Discuss/Consider Classroom Behavioral Specialist Position

Dr. Batts presented the need for a behavioral specialist to serve the district. The duties of the behavioral specialist will be serving students with behavioral and emotional needs.

**A motion by Bill Johnston and a second by Chuck Montgomery to approve a Behavioral Specialist Position. Motion carried unanimously.**

4. Discuss/Consider TEKS Certification

**A motion by Chuck Montgomery and a second by James Grunden to approve the TEKS Certification Document. Motion carried unanimously.**

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

1. District Enrollment

Enrollment for the District is High School 158 and Elementary is 175. Total Enrollment is 333.

2. District Information

\*Union Hill High School baseball team is currently playing in Grand Saline tonight. The next playoff game is Friday night at 5:30 p.m. in Grand Saline.

\*15% of Union Hill High School students competed at the state level of competition. 30% would be considered at the state level if this was an advancing year for the Sweepstakes winning Union Hill High School Band. 23 Junior High students competed at the state level on high school teams this year. Dr. Denson added 7 FFA members would be awarded their Lone Star Degree in July and Dr. Batts would be awarded an Honorary Lone Star Degree.

\*High School Graduation is Friday, May 24, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. A reception for seniors and parents will be at 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.

\*Dr. Batts will attend a mediation hearing on May 23, 2019 in Longview for the PTC booth accident.

\*The Band Banquet will be May 21, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Upshur Rural Electric Coop.

## **VI. FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

Tax Collection total \$962,570

**VII. Convened into closed session at 6:41 p.m. under Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code. (TEC551.074, TEC 551.0754 and TEC51.083).**

**VIII. Reconvene in open session at 8:00 p.m.**

**A motion by Bill Johnston and seconded by Chuck Montgomery to hire on a Probationary 12-month contract. Motion carried unanimously.**

Joshua Bragdon

**A motion by Bill Johnston and seconded by Mary Gipson to hire on a Probationary 10-month contract. Motion carried unanimously.**

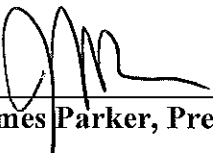
Katherine Nelson


**A motion by Bill Johnston and seconded by Chuck Montgomery to hire on a Probationary 10-month contract. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mary Trimble  
Jana Pritchtt  
Chad Applegate

**A motion by Bill Johnston and seconded by James Grunden to issue Dr. Troy Batts a three year contract for July 2019-June 2022 at the salary of \$110,000 annually. Motion carried unanimously.**

**A motion by James Grunden and seconded by Chuck Montgomery to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. on Tuesday, April 16, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.**

  
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James Parker, President

  
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Mary Gipson, Board Secretary





UNION HILL ISD  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
SPECIAL MEETING

June 6, 2019  
5:30 P.M.

**Members Present:**

James Parker	James Gruden	Bill Johnston	T.J Harris
Mary Gipson	Neal Andrews	Chuck Montgomery	
Troy Batts			

**Members Absent:**

**AGENDA:**

- I. Meeting opened at 5:30 P.M. Prayer: James Grunden
- II. Recognition of Guests/Open Forum Special Guest:  
Guest: None Present
- III. Minutes from the previous meetings on April 16, 2019 and May 16, 2019.

**Motion by Bill Johnston, second by Chuck Montgomery to approve April 16, 2019 Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion by Bill Johnston, second by Chuck Montgomery to approve May 16, 2019 Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.**

**IV. ACTION ITEMS**

Item 1 Consider/Approve Kyle Youngblood to be added to the Pilgrim Bank signature card.

**Motion by Bill Johnston, second by Chuck Montgomery to approve Kyle Youngblood to be added to the Pilgrim Bank signature card.  
Motion carried unanimously.**

Item 2 Discuss/Approve Dr. Batts to the region 7 Regional Advisory committee.

**Motion by Neal Andrews, second by James Grunden to approve Dr. Batts to the Region 7 Regional Advisory committee.  
Motion carried unanimously.**

V. Convened into closed session at 5:33 p.m. under Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code. (TEC551.074, TEC 551.0754 and TEC51.083).

VI. Reconvene in open session at 5:45 p.m.

**Item #1**

Motion by James Grunden, second by Neal Andrews to approve the hiring of the following teachers on a probationary 10 month contract

Motion carried unanimously.

Melissa Jones

Cade Gray

Natkeshia Raibon

Jon-David Richardson

Cullen Holms

Jeremy Miller

Motion by James Grunden, second by Neal Andrews to approve the hiring of the following teachers on a probationary 12 month contract

Motion carried unanimously.

Robert Stanley

Motion by James Grunden, second by Neal Andrews to approve the hiring of the following teachers on a 12 month term contract

Motion carried unanimously.

Kyle Youngblood

**VII. Adjournment**

A motion by James Grunden and seconded by Chuck Montgomery to adjourn the meeting at 5:49 p.m. on Tuesday, June 6, 2019.

Motion carried unanimously.

  
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James Parker, President

  
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Mary Gibson, Board Secretary