

**Holland Independent School District (014-905)  
Holland Board of Trustees  
HISD Administration Conference Room  
105 South Rose Lane**

**Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
August 14, 2013**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Travis Richter, Harold Kurtz, Mike Cearley, Bobby Ferguson, Jill Marwitz, Mike Mazoch and Michael Kurtz

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Cindy Gunn, Superintendent; Britt Gordon, High School Principal; Shane Downing, Elementary Principal; Janet Frazier, Middle School Principal; Nancy Riley, Special Ed Director and Brad Talbert, Athletic Director

Travis Richter, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm and asked the board to look over the consent agenda items for approval.

Mr. Downing reported that the elementary campus will be losing 5 students and have been received information on 10 new students enrolling. He updated the board on upcoming classroom changes for the upcoming school year. Some of the expectations for elementary for the upcoming school year consists of modifying Kindergarten report cards, implementing same AR grading system for whole elementary and new handwriting workbooks for Kindergarten to improve the flow from learning the letters into cursive.

Mrs. Frazier stated that estimated enrollment in the middle school is 160+. The Middle School Campus will add two new teachers Jordan Sweatt and Anna Kelley. She also reported that adjustments have been made to the activity periods this year. Groups like student council and cheerleading will all have the same activity periods to work on projects and activities.

Mr. Gordon reported that the high school's current enrollment is 198 and is projecting the enrollment will be 192. He updated the board on the results for the summer EOC retest and briefly walked through the new TEX 2013 Accountability Rating.

Mrs. Riley reported that the Co-Op has attended SAMA training and will attend a staff development day at Academy ISD on August 15, 2013, and at Holland ISD on August 20, 2013, to prepare for the new school year. She informed the board that she has been working on completing her budget and State Performance Plan.

Coach Talbert discussed activities taking place in the athletic department, saying that several scrimmages are scheduled during the next couple of weeks. He stated that the athletic department will be selling football programs, and all proceeds raised will go toward buying supplies for the weight room. He also reported that

girls' basketball received new uniforms and football received new basic equipment. Holland ISD student athletes have been selling discount cards for \$20 and have raised \$3640.

Mrs. Gunn updated the board that the summer building projects are still in progress with completion of the new gym floor re-waxing, old gym repaint and bleacher remodel will be complete by the end of the week. The old gym re-roofing and gutter system on the new gym will start later this week. For the 2013-2014 school year, Mrs. Gunn will look for a new suburban to give the school another reliable form of transportation. She informed the board that Holland ISD met standard on the TEX 2013 Accountability Rating. She is still working with each principal to determine the calculations of new rating system so each campus can improve their rating. Mrs. Gunn also stated that Holland ISD has asked each parent of the students attending Temple College to pay \$200 to help pay for the students textbooks.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A motion was made by Mike Cearley and seconded by Michael Kurtz to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on July 10, 2013, with corrections and to approve the payments of expenditures for the month.

**Motion Carried: 7-0**

Mrs. Gunn reviewed the 2012 School FIRST Rating (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) stating that Holland ISD met all the indicators and once again received a Superior Rating, which is the highest rating a school district can receive. The FIRST rating is based on 2011-2012 information collected.

A motion was made by Harold Kurtz and seconded by Michael Kurtz to accept the hiring of Mary Hanke as Reading Recovery Teacher for Holland ISD and Gayle Reed as Speech Therapist for the Co-Op for the 2013-2014 school year

**Motion Carried: 7-0**

A motion was made by Michael Kurtz and seconded by Mike Mazoch to approve Memorandum of Understanding with Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (JJAEP).

**Motion Carried: 7-0**

A motion was made by Jill Marwitz and seconded by Mike Cearley to appoint Lyle Zoeller, Micah Holcombe, and Chelsea Stevens of the Bell County 4-H Organization as Adjunct Faculty Members of Holland ISD Extracurricular Status Consideration Under 19 TAC§, 129.21 (k)(1) Pertaining to Extracurricular Activities.

**Motion Carried: 7-0**

A motion was made by Mike Cearley and seconded by Mike Mazoch to increase

lunch prices for Holland ISD from \$1.60 to \$1.70 for grades PK-6 and \$1.85 to \$1.90 for grades 7-12.

**Motion Carried: 7-0**

Mrs. Gunn presented a Power Point to the board of the proposed budget and tax rate for 2013-2014 explaining that due to our enrollment being up, we should be able to decrease the tax rate by \$.02 this year. She stated that she would like to hold the Public Meeting to Discuss the Budget and Proposed Tax Rate on August 28, 2013 at 6:30 pm.

Upon Mrs. Gunn's recommendation, a motion was made by Harold Kurtz and seconded by Bobby Ferguson to approve the proposed tax rate as presented by Mrs. Gunn, setting the Maintenance and Operation tax at \$1.04 and the Interest and Sinking tax at \$0.22, for a total tax rate of \$1.26/\$100 appraised value. This proposed tax rate will be posted in the Notice of Public Meeting to Discuss Budget and Proposed Tax Rate and be published in the Temple Telegram and Tribune-Progress newspapers.

**MOTION PASSED: 7-0**

A motion was made by Mike Cearley and seconded by Michael Kurtz to set the Public Budget and Proposed Tax Rate Hearing for Wednesday, August 28, 2013 at 6:30 pm in the Holland ISD Administration Building, with the Board Meeting to follow at 7:00 pm.

**MOTION PASSED: 7-0**

A motion was made by Jill Marwitz and seconded by Michael Kurtz to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

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BOARD PRESIDENT

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BOARD SECRETARY

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