

**COLLEGE STATION INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD WORKSHOP**

May 15, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

Grace Bible Church - Southwood

A. CALL TO ORDER

President Valerie Jochen called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and declared a quorum was present with seven members present.

B. DECLARATION OF QUORUM

In attendance were President Valerie Jochen, Vice President Paul Dorsett, Secretary Jeff Harris, Trustees Randall Pitcock, Carol Barrett, Garland Watson and Kimberly McAdams.

C. WORKSHOP SESSION

C-1. Consideration, discussion and possible action related to AMC High School renovations

In an effort to keep the Trustees updated regarding renovations planned for A&M Consolidated High School, Superintendent Eddie Coulson introduced Deputy Superintendent Clark Ealy who presented information to the Board. The renovations are planned for the next two summers. Phase 1 will occur during the 2012 Summer and is scheduled to begin on 6/1/12. Phase 2 will occur during the 2013 Summer. The renovations will be paid for the 2009 bond funds and include CATE and special education classroom improvements, creation of a multi-use gathering area outside of the library, enhancement to the exterior entrance, library renovations, and the creation of an opened-space gathering and seating area at the entrance of the building.

C-2. Consideration, discussion and possible action related to the 2012-2013 Budget

Superintendent Eddie Coulson reported that since the 2012-2013 budget discussions began, there has been a focus on the responsible use of: taxpayer resources, budget reductions, and CSISD fund balance. The CSISD budget must be looked at in context:

- The state funding system is broken
- At the conclusion of the 2012-2013 budget: CSISD will have \$29M in fund balance
- 2011-2013 has seen budget reductions totaling approximately \$4.68M
- 2010-2011 provided a 1% payroll increase
- 2011-2012 brought no payroll increase, but \$28 monthly increase to benefits
- 2012-2013 brings a recommended 1.5% payroll increase

CSISD has needs now and will have needs in the future. Moving forward, we have a healthy fund balance of \$29M with student growth projected at 3%. A lawsuit has been filed against the state and November elections are still to come. There will be a legislative session in 2013. If there is no System change, CSISD can raise .02 cents with voter approval and if the system does not change, CSISD is positioned to implement reductions/changes over the next several years. Discussion occurred.

MOTION XXXX: I move approval of a 1.5% pay increase for employees as presented. The motion was made by Vice President Paul Dorsett and seconded by Trustee Garland Watson. The motion passed with six ayes and one nay. Trustee Kimberly McAdams voted no.

C-3. Consideration, discussion and possible action related to the vision for public education and a regional consortium board meeting on 9/20/12

Superintendent Eddie Coulson led discussion related to the vision for public education. He reported that CSISD is focused on attendance, discipline, and grades, with a continued emphasis to not teacher to the “test”. We are striving for CSISD to be the choice district. President Jochen stated that we want to continue to develop global contributors that will give back through military, school, trade school, work, etc. Discussion occurred.

C-4. Consideration, discussion and possible action related to the CSISD Board Executive Committee in light of November 2012 elections

The Board decided to change the selection of its executive committee from May to November, following the November elections.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, President Jochen adjourned the workshop at 6:44p.m.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY