

RIESEL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Monday, August 17, 2009

The Board of Trustees of the Riesel Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, August 17, 2009 at 7:00p.m.in the Administration Board Room.

The meeting was called to order by John Ballmann at 7:00p.m.with the following members present:

Members present: John Ballmann, Patrick Ehlers, Ruth Foster, Chris Dieterich, Larry Wornat, Brian Aycock, and Keith Ehlers

Also present were Superintendent Steve Clugston, High School Principal Stephen English, Elementary Principal Rick Ford, Wade Thompson, and Kevin Smith

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Need a budget amendment to cover fees in the I&S budget.

Motion to increase I&S budget by \$824.00 to cover fees.

Motion by Dieterich and seconded by Foster. Ayes-7. Nays-0.

Motion by Foster and seconded by Wornat to pay all bills as presented.Ayes-7. Nays-0.

No public comment was heard.

Superintendent Clugston presented the following reports:

- a. Budget & Expenditure Report: Look to improve fund balance at year-end compared to previous year.
- b. Maintenance Report: Stadium improvements and other maintenance projects completed.
- c. Academic Report: "Meet the teacher" night planned for the current week.
- d. Technology Report: On schedule this fall to complete laptop program for remaining teachers (elementary), and new duplex printers also are being installed. Electronic help desk being implemented for users.
- e. Board Training Report: Legislative update training will be upcoming.

Board discussed a possible future bond election.

Board reviewed recent TEA accountability ratings for the district. Elementary- Recognized; High School/Junior High-Recognized; and District- Recognized

Board reviewed certified taxable values. Total taxable value went up this year to \$114,365,759.

Board reviewed proposed 09-10 budget. The budget is a balanced budget with a total of \$5,405,264.

Motion by Dieterich and seconded by Aycock that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$1.149867 (an M&O tax rate of \$1.04, and an I&S rate of \$.109867), which is an effectively a 5.74% increase in the tax rate. Ayes-7. Nays-0.

Motion by Aycock and seconded by Dieterich to hold public hearing to adopt proposed budget & proposed tax rate on August 31,2009 at 7:00pm. Ayes-7. Nays-0.

Board discussed the possible purchase of a district vehicle. Motion by Aycock and seconded by Wornat to not accept any of the bids received for a district vehicle and to revisit this issue again at a later date. Ayes-7. Nays-0.

Motion by Aycock and seconded by P.Ehlers not to accept any bids received for the purchase of a cafeteria freezer and to visit this issue again at a later date. Ayes-7. Nays-0.

Motion by Aycock and seconded by K. Ehlers to approve resolution for staggered terms at the Falls Co Appraisal Board. Ayes-6. Nays-0. Larry Wornat abstained.

Board went into executive session at 9:10 p.m.
Board came out of executive session at 9:18 p.m.

Motion by Dieterich and seconded by Foster to hire Tiffany Benton to a one year probationary teaching contract. Ayes-7. Nays-0.

Motion by Wornat and seconded by Aycock to hire Tommy Fadal to a half-time dual assignment teaching/coaching contract. Ayes-7.Nays-0.

Meeting adjourned: 9:20 p.m.

President of the Board

Secretary of the Board