

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Sudan Independent School District
April 14th, 2008

The School Board of the Sudan Independent School District met in regular session at 7:30 P.M., April 14th, 2008, in the Sudan Independent School District's Administrative Office with the following present:

Pam Maxwell, President	Greg Harper
Greg Lance, Vice President	Mitch Chester
Brent Nelson, Secretary	Craig Doty
	Chris Larson

Also Present: Buddy Lowrance, Superintendent
Bryan Davis, High School Principal
Bo Lance, Elementary Principal

Scott Harrell, Teacher and future Elem. Principal; Warren and Wendy Swarb, candidates for HS Basketball coach/teacher and Special Education teacher; Shannon Swart, Student teacher from ENMU.

The board recognized the following students: Adam Harper and Mitch Edwards for qualifying for the State Middle School/Junior High School Mathematic contest. Also recognized were Skyler Sowder and Jacey Davison for qualifying for the STATE Accounting UIL Contest along with DJ Provence their teacher.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Pam Maxwell. Invocation was given by Greg Lance.

The minutes of the previous meeting/meetings were approved as presented.

The Superintendent's Financial Report was given through March 31st, 2008, and approved as presented.

The Tax Report revealed \$3,649,551.33 total collections through March 31st, 2008.

Mr. Lowrance reported to the board that Coach Steve Gunter has submitted his resignation and was released from his contract on April 11, 2008. He accepted a job with Eastland High School. Patsy Fisher has agreed to finish out the year teaching Coach Gunter's social studies classes.

The board convened into closed session at 7:49 PM according to code 551.074 of the education code to discuss personnel. The board returned to open meeting at 8:25 PM. Upon recommendation by Mr. Davis and Mr. Lowrance motion by Greg Lance, seconded by Chris Larson to offer Warren Swarb a one year probationary dual assignment contract for 2008-09. Motion carried 7-0. Upon recommendation by Mr. Lance and Mr. Lowrance motion by Mitch Chester, seconded by Craig Doty to offer Wendy Swarb a one year probationary teacher contract for 2008-09 school year. Motion carried 7-0.

The board reviewed the second semester test schedule as presented by the principals. Upon recommendation by Mr. Lowrance motion by Greg Harper, seconded by Craig Doty to approve semester test schedule as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

The board reviewed a contract with the City of Sudan to sell the vocational agricultural barn to the city for \$1.00. After discussion and recommendation by Mr. Lowrance motion by Mitch Chester, seconded by Chris Larson to approve contract as presented. Motion carried 7-0. A copy of the contract is included with the minutes.

Mr. Lance gave the board an update on the Head Start Program.

Mr. Lowrance and Mr. Lance discussed with the board the contract with Dr. Doug Karr as a financial consultant for the district for the remainder of the 07-08 school year. Upon

recommendation by Mr. Lowrance motion by Greg Harper seconded by Craig Doty to approve the contract with Dr. Karr for the amount of \$2083.33. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Lance and Mr. Lowrance briefly reviewed possible financial options for the school. Additional information would be presented in the May meeting.

Upon recommendation by Mr. Lowrance motion by Mitch Chester, seconded by Chris Larson to approve the contract for Title I Contract Services submitted by Mary Lance for the 2008-2009 school year. The amount of the contract will be \$8000.00. Motion carried 7-0.

Upon recommendation by Mr. Lowrance motion by Greg Lance, seconded by Brent Nelson to extend the \$1,000.00 **longevity I** stipend for 2008-2009 school year. This is given to those teachers who have been at step 20 for 3 years or more and have been employed by Sudan Schools for at least the last five years and also extend the \$1000.00 **longevity II** stipend for 2008-09. This stipend is for those teachers who have received the Longevity I stipend for four or more years. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Lance reported on the following:

- (a) Elementary enrollment 213, (b) Newsletter, (c) Summer Reading Program (d) Dress code (f) parent involvement survey (g) Preventative Dental Clinic

Mr. Davis reported on the following:

- (a) High school enrollment 146 with 6 students at Pep, (b) Extra-Curricular, (c) Senior activities, (d) TAKS testing (e) UIL Literary Contest

Mr. Lowrance reported on the following:

- (a) TASB Summer Leadership Institute in San Antonio June 12-14. (b) The TASB Region 17 Spring Workshop on April 22nd.

The board went into closed session at 10:05 P.M. according to code 551.074 of the education code to discuss personnel staffing, salaries and to complete the quarterly evaluation of the Superintendent. At 11:50 P.M. the board returned to open meeting.

Benediction was given by Brent Nelson.

Motion by Chris Larson, seconded by Craig Doty to adjourn meeting at 11:51 P.M. Motion carried 7-0.

President

Secretary