

February 26, 2009



### RISD BOARD MEETING NOTES

A regular meeting of the Refugio Independent School District Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, February 26, 2009, beginning at 6:00pm in the Refugio High School Library. The meeting was called to order and all present began the meeting with the pledge of allegiance to the US flag.

Mrs. Hendley and a host of 2nd grade students presented projects for the board to view. The students were introduced to the audience by Mrs. Cobb. A great deal of time was obviously spent on these project and each one was fabulous. Thank you to the teachers and students for highlighting our evening.

During the Superintendent's report, Mr. Azam discussed the district's K-12 enrollment status and the monthly financial statements. The School Resource Officer Annual Report was reviewed. The Texas State Comptroller's Property Value report was discussed highlighting the counties property values, specifically noting the oil and gas taxable values. Also, Mr. Azam discussed the possibility of the University of Houston utilizing the old Middle School facility. There seems to be extreme interest and the board was updated on the

status of this project. More information will be presented as it is received by the administration. Also, Mr. Azam addressed the upcoming May school board election. March 9 is the deadline to file for candidacy.

Both Mr. Deaver, High School Principal, and Mrs. Lara, Elementary Principal, reported the status of their buildings and relevant events.

Following these reports the consent agenda items were approved:

- Minutes from previous meetings—1/19/2008 & 2/12/2009
- Amend the 2008-2009 budget
- Approve the request to bid depository for school district funds for 2009-2011 biennium
- Approved the proposed school calendar for 2009-2010

The board then entered into executive session @ 6:50pm according to Texas Government Code Section 551.074 to discuss administrators contracts, and other professional contract

employees as well as receive an update on the current superintendent search process. Upon completion of executive session discussion the board of trustees entered into open session @ 7:10pm and voted to extend the contracts of campus administrators, business manager, athletic director, technology director, director of elementary and secondary education, the deans of student affairs and academic affairs. Also, Steve and Mary Heryford as well as Leslie Simmons were hired subject to assignment/reassignment.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

*"Nobody succeeds beyond his or her wildest expectations unless he or she begins with some wild expectations!"*

*-Ralph Charell*

#### Special points of interest:

- 2nd grade students highlighted
- Comptroller's 2008 property value study
- Trustee election deadline March 9