

MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
CALLED BOARD MEETING
August 7, 2009 6:30 P.M.

The Grand Saline ISD Board of Trustees met in a called session this date. President Walt Bryant called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. stating that a quorum was present and the meeting had been duly called and posted in the time and manner required by law.

Board members present included President Walt Bryant, Vice President Michael Swain, Secretary Sharon Slayden, Victor Conley, Lindsey Ray, and Eddie Paul Stanley. Dan Carroll was absent.

Victor Conley opened the meeting with prayer.

Mark Keahey presented Ron Greiner of Government Capital Securities who discussed options for money usage from the government stimulus package. Discussion took place between the board members and Mr. Greiner. No action was taken.

Walt Bryant declared the meeting adjourned into executive session under the authority of Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E on August 7, 2009, at 7:20 p.m.

The Board entered back into open session August 7, 2009, at 9:17 p.m.

After returning from executive session Superintendent Mark Keahey stated that the budget workshop discussion led to maintaining the budget balanced as it is now. However, in an effort to increase the amount of money budgeted for upkeep and maintenance of the current elementary school campus, \$500,000 will need to be pulled from various line items. Salary adjustments and other adjustments have been made to make sure the budget is balanced at the current tax rate. At a later date, it will be determined if the I & S tax rate can be decreased at least a small amount.

Victor Conley expressed the Board's interest in purchasing the house and land that have become available and requested additional information including possible usage of the land, appraised value, and traffic flow. He also requested Mr. Keahey express the district's interest to the owner, Mrs. Talburt, and the desire for additional time until the Board is able to obtain the information needed.

Mr. Keahey invited the Board to staff development and the meals. He also announced Indian Pride Night is August 21st at the football stadium.

A motion was made to adjourn by Michael Swain and was seconded by Victor Conley. The motion carried 7 to 0 and the meeting was adjourned by Walt Bryant at 9:33 p.m.

Walt Bryant, President

Sharon Slayden, Secretary