

**February  
Sidney ISD  
Board Meeting**

The Board of Trustees of the Sidney Independent School District met in regular session at the Sidney ISD Boardroom on February 13th, 2017.

**1. Call to order and Establish Quorum.**

Doug Caffey, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**Members Present**

Doug Caffey, President

Keg Gibson, Secretary

Brad Carriger

JR Suniga

Visitors: Doug Bowden, James Rucker, Marsha Ridlehuber, Waylan Salinas.

**11. Citizen Comments**

**111. Consent Agenda Items**

**A.**Approval of Minutes

**B.** Payment of bills

**C.** Board report financial

### **Superintendent Recommendation:**

Superintendent recommends approval of these items as part of the regular monthly consent items.

Brad Carriger made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items.

JR Suniga seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

**D.** Items to discuss for possible next board agenda.  
No items were discussed for possible next board agenda.

### **1V. Action Items**

**A. Emergency first reading and adoption policy  
BBB local.**

**Background:** This is the policy that was changed to align our election dates with the county. Also adjust board member terms to even years.

**Superintendent Recommendation:** I recommend you pass the policy as presented. It was formulated by our lawyer and should meet all legal requirements.

Brad Carriger made the motion to adopt policy BBB local.

JR Suniga seconded the motion

The motion passed unanimously

## **B. Administrator's Contract.**

**Background:** This is a one year extension for Principal James Rucker.

**Superintendent Recommendation:** I believe James is doing a good job and I recommend we extend his contract by one year. This will give him a 2 year contract. This is in line with what we have done in the last several years.

JR Suiga made the motion to extend James Rucker's contract by one year.

Brad Carriger seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

## **V. Discussion and possible action on approving Cameron Gulley for our audit services.**

**Background:** Mr. Gulley has done a good job in the past and is familiar with our district.

**Superintendent Recommendation:** I recommend we hire Cameron Gulley for our audit services.

Brad Carriger made the motion to hire Cameron Gulley for our audit services

Keg Gibson seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

## **VI. Conservator's Report**

Marsha Ridlehuber reported that the deadline for filing to run for school board is March 6, 2017. If there are only 7 candidates on March 20, the election will be formally cancelled. If more than 7 people are running for school board, no action will be needed. Elected members will not be sworn in until the regular May meeting.

## **VII. Principals report**

### **A. Attendance**

James Rucker reported that attendance is above 97% even with a lot of flu in the district.

### **B. Activities**

One Act Play, track, tennis, and golf will be going on this month. Doug Bowden distributed the track schedule for this spring.

## **VIII. Superintendents report.**

### **A. District goals**

Doug Bowden distributed copies of the *Superintendent Goals*.

Brad Carriger suggested that the district may want to advertise to increase attendance.

JR Suniga suggested that some facility upgrades could be helpful.

Marsha Ridlehuber suggested that the vision statement for Sidney ISD might well be reviewed.

### **B. Maintenance issues**

Mr. Bowden mentioned that some roofing may need to be done in the near future. The gym may need to be considered first.

### **C. Legislative update.**

## **IX. Superintendent evaluation and contract consideration**

Doug Bowden expressed his desire to continue as Superintendent of Sidney ISD.

Brad Carriger made the motion to go into closed session for Superintendent evaluation at 6:55 PM.

JR Suniga seconded the motion  
The motion passed unanimously.

Brad Carriger made the motion to return to regular session at 7:38 PM.

JR Suniga seconded the motion  
The motion passed unanimously.

Kenneth Gibson made the motion to wait until next month to approve Superintendent's contract.

Brad Carriger seconded the motion.  
The motion failed.

JR Suniga made the motion to extend Doug Bowden's contract by one year.

Doug Caffey seconded the motion.  
The motion carried.

## X. Adjourn

JR Suniga made the motion to adjourn.

Brad Carriger seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.