

**Maypearl Independent School District
Board Minutes
October 25, 2007**

The Maypearl Independent School District Board of Trustees met in regular session on October 25, 2007.

Members Present: Allan Wilson, President
 Charles Frame, Secretary
 Heath Daniel
 James Eubank
 Shane Gravens
 Tricia Ikard

Members Absent: Tommy Sword, Vice President

Administration Present: Ronnie Neill, Assistant Superintendent
 Leighanne McAlister, Business Manager
 Kay Lynn Day, Secondary Principal
 Janet Stinson, Intermediate Principal
 Barbara Truby, Elementary Principal
 Nancy Cowan, Assistant Elementary Principal

Visitors Present: A list of visitors may be viewed at the Administration Office.

The board was called to order by President Allan Wilson at 6:03 p.m. and Allan Wilson gave the invocation.

Allan Wilson announced that a quorum of Board members was present, that the meeting had been duly called, and that notice of the meeting had been posted in accordance with Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Allan Wilson led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags.

Elementary Principal, Barbara Truby, recognized the Lorene Smith Kirkpatrick Elementary Paraprofessionals who work so diligently for the students and staff of Maypearl.

Athletic Consultant Mike Farda recognized Cross Country Coach Lesley Austin as an outstanding first year coach and fourth grade teacher. Coach Austin introduced the Varsity Cross Country teams:

Boys' Varsity

D. Zach Moreau-2nd place district

Alex Schiefer-12th place district

Garrett Mathers

Andy Pipes

Stuart Hastings

Daniel Antwine

Brandon Harrell

Girls' Varsity

Allex Wilson-4th place district

Jodi Stevens

Ashley Horodnyckye

Brittany Marion

Coach Austin stated the Boys' Varsity team as well as Allex Wilson qualified for the Regional Cross Country Meet to be held on November 3, 2007 at Vandergriff Park in Arlington. Coach Austin also recognized the 8th Grade Girls team which placed second in district competition.

Motion made by Heath Daniel seconded by Tricia Ikard to increase the designated fund balance to \$900,000.00 for construction/facilities maintenance, transportation, technology, equipment or furniture.

For: All voted yes

Frank Steele of Hudson Anderson & Associates presented the audit report for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. Mr. Steele stated the district is in sound financial condition. He reported the increase of fund balance indicates good financial management by the Board of Trustees and the Administration. Mr. Steele also stated the 60% of the districts Hudson Anderson audits are struggling financially during the financially challenging times and Maypearl ISD is to be commended for being in the 40% doing well.

Motion made by Charles Frame seconded by Tricia Ikard to accept the audit for the 2006-2007 fiscal year as presented by Frank Steele of Hudson Anderson & Associates.

For: All voted yes

Wilna Boone, representative for the Maypearl Cemetery Association, discussed the proposal to purchase property owned by Maypearl ISD that is adjacent to the City Cemetery. The Board requested Superintendent Lynn Dehart and representatives from the Cemetery Association look at plats of the property and return to the Board at the November meeting with information regarding the amount of acreage the Association would like to purchase.

The Board of Trustees made no nominations for the Ellis Central Appraisal District Board of Directors but the request was considered.

Motion made by Heath Daniel seconded by James Eubank to approve the consent agenda.
For: All voted yes

Assistant Superintendent Ronnie Neill presented the following report:

- A. District wide enrollment is 1002, a decrease of 22 students from the close of 2006-07 school year.
- B. One vertical team meeting has taken place for the 2007-08 school year. Mrs. Neill stated this meeting established a good foundation for future vertical team meetings. Minutes of the meeting are available for viewing at the administration office. The next vertical team meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2007.
- C. Mrs. Neill presented the District Improvement Plan.
- D. Each campus principal presented their campus improvement plan and then answered questions from board members.
- E. Assistant Superintendent Neill stated Superintendent Dehart is gathering information from neighboring districts regarding transfer policies. Mr. Dehart will present this information at a later meeting.
- F. Athletic Consultant Mike Farda reported on the success of the grade check system initially implemented during the 2006-07 school year. Mr. Farda stated that the Secondary School has reduced the failure/incomplete rate significantly. Mr. Farda also reported the state average for failure is 20-25%. Maypearl Secondary is now maintaining a rate of 3.7%.
- G. Mrs. Neill stated that Superintendent Dehart will present information on the Maintenance Tax Note at the November meeting.

Motion made by Shane Gravens seconded by Heath Daniel to adjourn the meeting.
For: All voted yes

The board adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Allan Wilson, President

Charles Frame, Secretary