

--Notice--
--Regular Meeting (October)--
--Spur Independent School District--
--Board of Trustees--
--November 1, 2011 --

Agenda: Notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Spur Independent School District will be held on **Tuesday, November 1, 2011**, beginning at **7:00 P.M.** in the board room of the Spur Independent School District, 800 N. Williams, Spur, Texas.

Members: Barry Ferguson (President), Sue Maben (Secretary), Lance Harris, Robert Earl Van Meter, Bedford Jones, Greg Arnold, and Shane Shobert

The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken or as follows (Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on the meeting notice):

AGENDA

- 1. Establish a Quorum- Call to Order**
 - 1.1. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America**
 - 1.2. Opening Prayer**
 - 1.3. Recognize Visitors**

- 2. Open Forum**

- 3. Elementary Principal Report.....A**
 - 3.1. Enrollment**
 - 3.2. Campus Activities**

- 4. Secondary Principal Report B**
 - 4.1. Enrollment**
 - 4.2. Campus Activities**

- 5. Athletic Director Report.....C**
 - 5.1. Report on Current Programs**

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7. Business Office

- 7.1. Review of BillsE**
- 7.2. Presentation of Current Financial Statements F**
- 7.3. Presentation of Current Tax Collection Report G**
- 7.4. Presentation of Current Bank Reconciliation and Balances.....H**
- 7.5. Presentation of Utility Cost Comparisons.....I**

8. Presentation and Discussion Only:

- 8.1 Update on Gymnasium/Auditorium Construction Project.....J**
- 8.2. Report to the Board on The 100% Highly Qualified Status of all Spur ISD Teachers and Instructional Aides.....K**
- 8.3. Development of Board Goals.....L**
- 8.4. Professional Services Contract with the Region 17 Education Service Center.....M**

9. Action Items:

- 9.1. Level Three Grievance by the Class Of 2012 Regarding Policy FMG (LOCAL) and the Travel Limitations for the Senior Trip.....N**
- 9.2. Consideration and Action for Approval of the Spur High School Class Of 2012 Senior Trip.....O**
- 9.3. Consideration and Action for a Change of Date for the December Regular Meeting of the Spur ISD Board of Trustees.....P**
- 9.4. Consideration and Action on Bids for Utility and Site Work for the Spur ISD Gymnasium/auditorium project.....Q**
- 9.5. Approval of the Audit Report for the 2010-2011 Fiscal year as Presented by Terry and King, CPA's, P.C.....R**
- 9.6. 11.2. TASB Policy Local Update, Affecting Local Policy: Altering EIA.....S**

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10. Closed Meeting: (Texas Open Meetings Act – Texas Government Code, Section 551-074) *If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.*

10.1. Personnel

11. Open Session: Take Appropriate Action Resulting From Closed Session

12. Discussion of Future Agenda Items:

Adjourn

The notice for this meeting was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act _____, at _____

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6. Approval of the Minutes from the Regular Meeting Held on September 25, 2011 and the Special Meeting held on October 10, 2011..... D

A copy of the minutes is included for your review.

Recommendation: I recommend the minutes be approved as presented.

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7.1. Review of Bills.....E

A copy of the most recent bills paid is included for board review.

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7.2. Presentation of Current Financial Statements.....F

A copy of the most current financial statements has been included for your review. Business Manager, Jodi Gonzalez, will make a presentation at the meeting.

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7.3. Presentation of Current Tax Collection ReportG

A copy of the most Current Tax Collection Report has been included for your review. Business Manager, Jodi Gonzalez will make a presentation at the meeting.

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7.4. Presentation of Current Bank Reconciliation and Balances.....H

Copies of the reconciled bank statements including balances at the time of the reconciliation are included in this packet for your review.

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7.5. Presentation of Utility Cost Comparisons.....I

A copy of the most Current Utility Cost Comparison has been included for your review. Business Manager, Jodi Gonzalez, will make a presentation at the meeting.

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8.1 Update on Gymnasium/Auditorium Construction Project.....J

I will provide an oral report at the meeting.

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**8.2. Report to the Board on The 100% Highly Qualified Status of all Spur
ISD Teachers and Instructional Aides.....K**

100% of teachers and instructional aides are considered Highly Qualified by the federal NCLB standards. It is required that this statement be read into the minutes at a meeting or posted on the school's website. It is our intent to do both.

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8.3. Development of Board Goals.....L

Ms. Freeman will have the documents she is preparing ready for Monday's meeting. If we receive them from her before Monday I will email them to you so that you may be better prepared.

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8.4. Professional Services Contract with the Region 17 Education Service Center.....M

I have included a copy of the contract with the service center. This agreement enables Ricky Martinez to perform ERATE service for other Region 17 districts. As you will read, Spur ISD will generate \$67.50/hour for work performed through this service on behalf of the other districts.

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Action Item:

**9.1. Level Three Grievance by the class of 2012 Regarding Policy
FMG (LOCAL) and the Travel Limitations for the Senior Trip.....N**

The senior class of 2012 has filed a grievance pertaining to POLICY FMG (LOCAL) and its limitation for travel on the senior trip. They are requesting to take a cruise that will take them into international waters as well as stop on an island in the Caribbean for a day. Documentation of the Level I hearing with Mr. Morrow and the Level II hearing with myself are included in your packet.

If you choose to allow this trip, in effect, you no longer have a policy and I will place an item on the agenda for the November meeting for the policy to be changed to reflect the current direction of the current board.

Recommendation: I recommend that you do not change the policy. The current policy allows for travel anywhere within the United States of America. The documentation you have received includes an explanation from Mr. Morrow and I as to why we think a cruise of this type is not appropriate for high school students on a school sponsored senior trip. Changing the policy to allow travel outside the United States of America will create situations where it is difficult to monitor the safety and wellbeing of our students. If a student makes a mistake or is victimized outside the legal jurisdiction of the United States of America it will be very difficult to support or defend them. I do not think it is appropriate to subject high school students to this possibility for the sake of a senior trip.

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**9.2. Consideration and Action for Approval of the Spur High School Class
Of 2012 Senior Trip.....O**

The senior class is prepared to make their presentation and request approval for their senior trip if you change the policy and approve the cruise. They do have an alternate plan; however, the alternative plans are not complete. If the cruise is not approved, they plan to come back to the board at a later date for approval.

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9.3. Consideration and Action for a Change of Date for the December Regular Meeting of the Spur ISD Board of Trustees.....P

The fourth Monday in December is the 26th. We have moved this meeting in the past to accommodate everyone's holiday schedule. Please bring your personal calendars so that we can find a mutually agreed upon date for the meeting.

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Action Item:

9.4. Consideration and Action on Bids for Utility and Site Work for the Spur ISD Gymnasium/auditorium project.....Q

Daniel will be at the meeting with a spreadsheet comparing the bids for this phase of the work. He is having a difficult time getting bids for the project. He may end up self-performing the majority of the work. I have explained to him that we anticipated that and it is not a problem.

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**9.5. Approval of the Audit Report for the 2010-2011 Fiscal year as
Presented by Terry and King, CPA's, P.C.....R**

The auditors will in attendance to make the presentation. I have not seen a copy of the audit and they will probably not have a draft to us prior to the meeting.

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**9.6. 11.2. TASB Policy Local Update, Affecting Local Policy: Altering
EIA,.....S**

I asked you to act on this policy in July. Since that time, TEA has given additional guidance regarding the EOC of exams and the requirement that the grade on EOC accounting for 15% of the EOC for the relative courses. Consequently, TASB has changed their recommendation for this policy. Mr. Morrow and I will provide further information at the meeting if necessary, but we both believe this change offers the best opportunity for Spur students to receive credit without creating a logistical nightmare.

Recommendation: I recommend you approve the changes to Policy EIA (LOCAL) as presented.