

**Lancaster Independent School District
Official Minutes of the Board of Trustees
June 5, 2006**

The Board of Trustees of the Lancaster Independent School District met in a Regular Board Meeting at the Lancaster Administration Building, Board Room, 422 S. Centre Avenue, Lancaster, Texas 75146 on June 5, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. with President Nannette Vick presiding.

A. Call To Order

Time: 7:00p.m.

President Vick called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and announced that a quorum was present and that the meeting had been duly called and that notice of the meeting had been posted in the manner and for the time required by law.

B. Members Present/Absent

Rick Glover	present @ 7:10 pm
Russell Johnson	present
Ed Kirkland	present
Nina Mangrum	present
Sue Mendoza	present
Carolyn Morris	present @ 7:45 pm
Nannette Vick	present

Administration Present/Absent

Dr. Larry D. Lewis	present
Chief Sam Allen	present
Joyce Brein	present
Dr. Karla Brewer	absent
Dr. James Browden	present @ 7:06 pm
Richard Gonzales	present @ 7:03 pm
C.R. Headen	present
Beverly Humphrey	present
Elvin Lotten	absent
Phillip Pape	present
Patricia Sadberry	present
Paul Walker	present
Eugene Smith	present
Ross Taylor	absent
Alan Steel	present
Teri Wilson	present
Eugene Young	present

C. Moment of Silence & Pledge of Allegiance by Lancaster High School JROTC.

D. Recognitions & Introductions

Lancaster ISD JROTC was recognized for becoming National Champions. The color guards competed on April 29th at the National High School Drill Team Championships in Daytona Beach, Florida. The Female Color Guard and Male Color Guard placed 1st in the State Championships.

Rising Stars students from Rosa Parks/Millbrook received certificates for their exceptional work as writers and artists.

Sedonia Kidd received kudos from the Board of Trustees for her service and hard work in planning the Awards for Excellence Banquet for 2005-2006.

Brianna Bolden and Oliver Williams were recognized for being Lancaster High Schools' valedictorian and salutatorian (respectively).

Mr. Rusty Johnson, Fireman for the City of Lancaster, was thanked and recognized for putting out a fire on the roof at Lancaster Intermediate School. Mr. Johnson was driving by the school and noticed the fire. As a result of his quick assistance everyone was able to get out of the building with no injuries and the fire extinguished with little damage to the building. Mr. Johnson was unable to attend for his recognition.

E. Citizen's Communication

Mr. Richard Griesman
128 Pecan Grove Court
Lancaster, Tx. 75146

Mr. Griesman addressed the Board regarding the 2.7M loan.

Mr. Thomas Allen
200 Cross
Lancaster, Tx 75146

Mr. Allen addressed the Board regarding whether or not to demolish the current Houston Elementary School. Mr. Allen also spoke about Lancaster ISD scores in comparison to Highland Park ISD.

Mr. Jeff Melcher
1520 Golden Grass
Lancaster, Tx 75146

Mr. Melcher addressed the Board regarding the demolition of the current Houston Elementary School. Mr. Melcher also requested more information on the District's web site.

Action or Communication	Topic	Presenter	Voting Y = Yes; N= No X = Abstain; A=Absent
#107168	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Oath of Office for Marie Elliott, District 1 and Ed Kirkland, District 2. 2. Signing of Oath of Office for Ed Kirkland and Marie Elliott. 3. Signing of Affidavit of Residency by Full Board of Trustees. 4. Election of Board Officers. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Joyce Brein 2. Joyce Brein 3. Joyce Brein 4. Joyce Brein; and New Board President 	

Mr. Ed Kirkland and Ms. Marie Elliott were sworn in as Trustees from District 1 and District 2 and received their official oath of office certificate. All Board members signed and returned their Affidavit of Residency. Election of Officers was held and the results are listed below.

Ms. Elliott stated that she will abstain on all action/approval items for this meeting. Ms. Elliott was given her agenda after being sworn in and therefore, did not have ample time to review and/or ask questions.

<p><u>Election of Board Officers</u></p> <p>Nominations for Office of President Nannette Vick Ed Kirkland</p> <p><u>2006-2007 Board President: Nannette Vick</u></p> <p>Nominations for Office of 1st Vice President Ed Kirkland</p> <p><u>2006-2007 1st Vice President: Ed Kirkland</u></p>	<p><u>Voting</u></p> <p>Marie Elliott voted for E. Kirkland Rick Glover voted for N. Vick Russ Johnson voted for E. Kirkland Ed Kirkland voted for N. Vick Sue Mendoza voted for N. Vick Carolyn Morris absent Nannette Vick voted for N. Vick (after asking E. Kirkland if he would like the position)</p> <p>Marie Elliott yes Rick Glover yes Russ Johnson yes Ed Kirkland abstain Sue Mendoza yes Carolyn Morris absent Nannette Vick yes</p>
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#107170	Executive Session	Board President	Marie Elliott abstain Rick Glover no Russ Johnson yes Ed Kirkland yes Sue Mendoza yes Carolyn Morris yes Nannette Vick yes
<p>Motion: Russ Johnson Second: Ed Kirkland</p> <p>Motion Passed: Yes</p> <p>Time: 7:37 p.m.</p> <p>The Board convened into Executive Session under 551.074.</p>			
#107171	Open Session	Dr. Larry D. Lewis	Marie Elliott abstain Rick Glover yes Russ Johnson yes Ed Kirkland yes Sue Mendoza yes Carolyn Morris yes Nannette Vick yes
<p>Motion: Russ Johnson Second: Carolyn Morris</p> <p>Motion Passed: Yes</p> <p>Time: 7:58 p.m.</p>			
#107172	Election of TASB Delegate for 2006-2007	Board President	No Vote Was Taken

President Vick asked all Board members if they were interested in becoming the 2006-2007 TASB delegate. Mr. Johnson stated that he has been the TASB delegate for the last 2 years and he would like to turn the reigns over to someone else. Ms. Morris agreed to be LISD's 2006-2007 TASB Delegate and Mr. Kirkland will be LISD's TASB Alternate Delegate. No other Board members were interested, therefore, by mutual agreement, Ms. Morris and Mr. Kirkland were appointed. There was no motion or second for this item.

#107173	July Board Meeting	Board President	No Vote was Taken –All Board Members in Agreement
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The Board decided to hold their next Board meeting on July 17, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. There was no motion or vote. All Board Members agreed by consensus.

#107174	Consider all matters incident and related to the issuance and sale of “Lancaster Independent School District Limited Maintenance Tax Notes, Series 2006”, including the adoption of a resolution authorizing the issuance of such notes.	Dr. Larry D. Lewis	Marie Elliott abstain Rick Glover yes Russ Johnson yes Ed Kirkland yes Sue Mendoza yes Carolyn Morris abstain Nannette Vick yes
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Motion: Rick Glover
 Second: Ed Kirkland

Motion Passed: Yes

Dr. Lewis and Mr. Boles shared the need for a short term loan in the amount of \$2.5M. This needs to be done as the state pays school districts their annual daily attendance (ADA) in Sept for the proceeding year. Currently the state will be paying LISD their ADA on 4,495 students. Since LISD projected 5,400 students to the state, and LISD had over 5,400 students, the District will not be receiving their actual ADA funds until after their appeal. All school districts are faced with this situation and a large percentage of school districts asked for a short term note. Our loan will be due and payable in Feb. 2007.

#107175	Approval of Superintendent's Evaluation Instrument	Board President	Marie Elliott abstain Rick Glover no Russ Johnson yes Ed Kirkland no Sue Mendoza yes Carolyn Morris yes Nannette Vick yes
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Motion: Ed Kirkland
 Second: Rick Glover

Motion Passed: Yes (This “Yes” reflects that the Superintendent’s Evaluation Instrument was approved with the amended statement below.”

Mr. Johnson requested an amendment (to Page 8, under Communication) to the motion as stated: “The Superintendent will keep the Board fully informed, on an equal basis, on any and all matters pertaining to District events, District personnel, the expenditure of District funds, or the use of District facilities.”

Motion: Russ Johnson
 Second: Carolyn Morris

This motion and second reflects the proposed request to amended the original motion; not the actual amendment.

Vote on Proposed request to amend: Rick Glover (no); Ed Kirkland (no); Nannette Vick (yes); Russ Johnson (yes); Carolyn Morris (yes); Sue Mendoza (not available for vote); Marie Elliott (abstain).

Motion Passed: Yes (This allowed the original motion to be amended.

Special Notation:

In addition to the approval of the District/Superintendent Performance Goals completed with Mr. Bill Neimer, the Board also needed to agree to the Commissioner’s Student Performance Domain which will be Part B of the Superintendent’s Evaluation in January 2007. It is a requirement to note the method the Board wishes to use when they rate the progress of the goals in Part A. The Board mutually agreed (no motion or second) to use the following method:

Progress is Exceptional and exceeds expectations = E

Progress is Profound and is on target =P

Progress is Moderate and needs improvement = M

#107176	Approval of Memorandum of Understanding for District’s Alternative Education Program	Dr. Larry D. Lewis	Marie Elliott abstain Rick Glover yes Russ Johnson yes Ed Kirkland yes Sue Mendoza yes Carolyn Morris yes Nannette Vick yes
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Motion: Ed Kirkland
 Second : Rick Glover

Motion Passed: Yes

This is our annual contract for students who need to participate in the Dallas County Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (DCJJAEP). LISD has sent 38 students to the DCJJAEP this school year. LISD is in a cooperative program with 15 school districts. LISD pays the DCJJAEP \$68 per student per day. Our attorney has reviewed the contract and had no concerns.

#107177	Approval of District's Wellness Policy	Dr. Larry D. Lewis	Marie Elliott abstain Rick Glover yes Russ Johnson yes Ed Kirkland yes Sue Mendoza yes Carolyn Morris yes Nannette Vick yes
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Motion: Rick Glover
 Second: Carolyn Morris

Motion Passed: Yes

Mr. Smith introduced Mr. Paul Walker, Director of Child Nutrition to present. Mr. Walker went over the details of the policy. This policy is a state mandated requirement. Mr. Walker highlighted that this policy contains plans for nutritional education and physical education. In addition, he stated that a bi-annual report will be given to the Board as a result of this policy. Topics covered in this policy include: Nutritional Quality of Food and Beverage on Campuses; Nutrition and Physical Activity; Physical Education and Opportunities for Involvement; Monitoring and Policy Review; and School Wellness Committee Members.

#107178	Approval of Dual Credit Agreement with Cedar Valley College	Dr. Larry D. Lewis Ms. Pat Sadberry	Marie Elliott abstain Rick Glover yes Russ Johnson yes Ed Kirkland yes Sue Mendoza yes Carolyn Morris yes Nannette Vick yes
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Motion: Nannette Vick
Second: Russ Johnson

Motion Passed: Yes

Ms. Pat Sadberry shared that dual credit is an opportunity for high school students to take college classes. The procedure is for students who are interested to take an exam, and only if they pass can they participate in the dual credit class. Teachers must be certified in the area of curriculum and the college must approve our curriculum.

Dr. Lewis discussed the variety of the types of classes offered at LHS. He stated that students have many choices and therefore, some courses do not have a large enrollment or any enrollment (i.e. dual credit v. Advance Placement vs. International Baccalaureate. These are decisions that students and their families must make. For 2005-2006 LISD had zero students participating in dual credit courses. LISD has 30 slots for the dual credit automotive class at Cedar Valley College for 2006-2007. Upon completion of the program, these students are certified and will have an internship at a dealership.

Special
Communication

Update: Preliminary TAKS Data
Report

Dr. Larry D. Lewis

Dr. Lewis presented the Districts TAKS scores with a comparison from 2003-2006 via a power point presentation.

Communication

Cedar Valley College –Upward
Bound Annual Report

Dr. Larry D. Lewis
Ms. Mwaunda Davis

This item was moved up before the reading update by a request from Rick Glover. All board members agreed.

Ms. Mwauna Davis, Director of Upward Bound at Cedar Valley College updated the Board on the Upward Bound Program. This report to the Board is a requirement from the grant that provides these services. The Upward Bound Program provides college preparation services to first generation low-income students.

In 2005, 83% of the students completed the Upward Bound Program.

For the 2006-2007 school year, Lancaster ISD students will be one of their targeted schools. They will serve 50-70 students.

Special Communication	Update: Reading	Dr. Larry D. Lewis Ms. Pat Sadberry
<p>Pat Sadberry updated the Board on the district's reading scores via a power point presentation. All students were tested and moved to a different group if necessary. The same assessment was used for all grades, -- different levels of assessment, but the same assessment. Ms. Sadberry explained the procedure used for creating the guidelines for "at level" reading.</p>		
Communication	PTA Council of Lancaster Annual Report	Dr. Larry D. Lewis Mr. M. Catholic
<p>Mr. Catholic did not show up to report. Mr. Curtis Liggins asked that we place this item on the September agenda, after PTA elections.</p>		
Communication	Update: Tigers @ Work Program	Dr. Larry D. Lewis Mr. Ross Taylor
<p>Mr. Ross Taylor was out due to illness. This item was tabled to the July 17, 2006 agenda.</p>		
Communication	Update: Foundation & Grants	Dr. Larry D. Lewis Ross Taylor
<p>Mr. Ross Taylor was out due to illness. This item was tabled to the July 17, 2006 agenda.</p>		

Communication	Update: Bond & Facilities	Dr. Larry D. Lewis Mr. Phillip Pape
<p>Dr. Lewis shared how the District will have to compensate for the failure of the 2006 Bond Program. Items that were set aside for maintenance in the bond program will now have to be done out of LISD local funds (i.e. portables, increase costs in fuel and electricity.) Dr. Lewis explained the state finance bill and how it affects the teachers and paraprofessionals. Funds that would have been used for programs and salaries will now have to be used for growth of students.</p> <p>Utilities: In Feb 2002, LISD entered into a contract with TASB for electricity. During years 2, 3, and 4 there was an increase in KWH rates. On April 2006, the contract was renegotiated for 1 year with TASB and the KWH rate went down slightly. Even with this reduction, the cost is much higher than previously. Next year's gas budget will increase 100% and \$1.5M for utilities.</p> <p>Portables: There are currently 13 portables within the District. Mr. Pape gave an update on portables by school. The numbers presented are actual numbers based on students now, and he anticipates these numbers to increase. Mr. Pape stated that 15 additional portables at \$50,000 minimum cost may be needed for next year if growth occurs. Mr. Pape shared the projected opening numbers for each campus and how many, if any, classrooms will be available.</p> <p>Numbers provided today were from an April report from the Residential Development Report (City of Lancaster.)</p> <p>High School Furniture: High School – most of the furniture and technology pieces ordered will start arriving this week</p>		
Communication	Update: Adequate Yearly Progress	Dr. Larry D. Lewis Mr. Richard Gonzales

Mr. Gonzales updated the Board on current and future AYP information.

Our new middle school will inherit the current junior high school AYP status. Mandatory stipulation for regarding funding– whatever is not spent on transportation out of \$100,000 set aside must go to educational supplemental services. Supplemental services must be done after the school day; must hire supplemental educational providers from a specific list.

SEDL has been working with the new principal of the Middle School (Mr. Nivens) in training and leadership.

Mr. Rodriguez shared site visit standards and components of a school visit: Focus, Organizational Control; T&L, Connectivity, and Decision Making.

#107179	Adjournment	Dr. Larry D. Lewis	Marie Elliott	yes
			Rick Glover	yes
			Russ Johnson	yes
			Ed Kirkland	yes
			Sue Mendoza	yes
			Carolyn Morris	yes
			Nannette Vick	yes

Motion: Rick Glover
Second: Marie Elliott

Time: 11:49 p.m.

Nannette Vick
Board President

Rick Glover
Board Secretary