

# **Canadian Independent School District**

## **District Site Based Committee Meeting**

**January 14, 2009**

**6:00**

With a quorum present Mr. Belcher, Superintendent of Schools, called the CISD District Site Based Committee meeting to order with the following members in attendance: Janis Northcott, Doug Boyd, Stephanie Meyer, J.J. Cullender, Jennifer Fletcher, Erin Waters, Janie Kessie, Wade Hood, Linda Rader, April King, Kevin Richardson, Kay Hamby, Sam Hancock and Pam Spencer.

An agenda for the meeting and the minutes for the February 13, 2008 were presented. Wade Hood made a motion that the minutes be approved as read. Janie Kessie seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Belcher welcomed and introduced all the new members on the committee for the 2008-2009 school year.

The committee reviewed the 2007-2008 AEIS report, accountability ratings for 2008, and the Adequate Yearly Progress. All campuses and the district met AYP. The district received an Academically Acceptable rating on the AEIS report. CES is an Exemplary campus, with BES and CMS named Recognized campuses and CHS Academically Acceptable. Sections discussed at length were the TAKS Met 2008 Standard, Student Success Initiative, and the District Profile including student information, staff information, tax information, actual expenditure information and program information. Mr. Belcher stated that this year there would be very little state legislative action dealing with schools issues. He asked the committee for questions regarding the reports. There was no discussion.

The drafting of the 2009 – 2010 school calendar was discussed. Mr. Belcher presented two preliminary drafts for the committee to consider, Calendar A (180 days) for OFYP and Calendar B (177 days). He explained the use of OFYP days. The consensus of the committee was to continue the OFYP program. The group discussed the issue of semester tests being given before or after the Christmas holidays. The high school representatives reported that the testing schedule worked well. The current calendar better supported the Hemphill County Stock Show schedules. The committee asked Mr. Belcher to make revisions to Calendar A which included keep the same semester schedule as 2008-2009, and moving the Snow Day from May 7 to May 10. The calendar proposal will be voted on during the February meeting. Mr. Belcher will send the committee a sample calendar with the requested changes.

A discussion was held regarding the ALERT NOW automated phone system. The system, installed during the fall, is used for sending messages and notices to parents and staff. The members stated the system was working well.

Ms. Spencer reported on the CMS Laptop Initiative. Mr. Belcher updated the committee on the current construction projects including the roofing, Baker Library, and the CMS auditorium. The field house project is in the process of being bid.

Tomorrow night the board will meet to consider approving an interlocal agreement with the Little House to build a day care center. This project will financially benefit both the school and the Little House. The new facility will include day care for infants. In the agreement the school district requested that CISD staff have priority when requesting in day care services. The building will be built on district owned property located behind Canadian Elementary School. The district will receive the land, known as Rotary Park, that the Little House currently owns. This project will be paid for out of bond money which can fund capital improvements.

Kevin Richardson moved and Doug Boyd seconded a motion to set the next meeting district committee meeting for Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2009, 6:00. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Belcher adjourned the meeting.