

**CALHOUN AREA SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 5, 2007  
CALHOUN ISD GIFFORD/SCHULTZ SERVICE CENTER  
MINUTES**

The Organizational Meeting of the Calhoun Area School Board Members Board of Directors was called to order by CASBMA President Al Miller, Harper Creek at 6:32 p.m.

We had a roll call with the following individuals present:

**PRESENT WERE:** Tom Hunsdorfer, Albion Public Schools;, Kendra Falk, Athens Area Schools; William Burton, Battle Creek Public Schools; Marion Ramer, Bellevue Community Schools; Al Miller, Harper Creek, Gary Tompkins (Delegate) and Rob Ridgeway (Superintendent), Homer Community Schools; Jon Byrd, Kellogg Community College, Jim Nelson, Lakeview, David Ousley, Mar Lee School, Janice Darling, Marshall Public Schools; Jerry Stone, Pennfield Schools; T.C. Case, Union City Community Schools, and Georgia Marsh, Calhoun ISD.

Also in attendance: Mary Ellen Currie, Interim Superintendent and Rebecca Rocho, Assistant Superintendent of General Services and Legislation.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES:** Minutes for the March 14, 2007 Board of Directors meeting were emailed with the agenda and meeting notice. After reviewing those minutes, a motion was made by, Marion Ramer, Bellevue and supported by Janice Darling, Marshall to approve the minutes as emailed. The motion passed unanimously.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Becky Rocho reviewed the final actual cost report for the 2006-07 School Year. Several line items were discussed; we actually have a considerable balance to carry forward and still provide funding for professional development. A motion was made by Jim Nelson, Lakeview and supported by Georgia Marsh, Calhoun ISD to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES:** Given the fund balance, the Board discussed their ability to provide the CBA subsidy of 50% (\$40 / participate) for the three CBA courses offered at Calhoun ISD for 2007-08; a motion to continue the subsidy was made by Gary Tompkins, Homer and supported by Georgia Marsh, Calhoun ISD. The motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- The delegates received the new listing of Board delegates and alternates to CASBMA. A few changes were suggested; a new listing will be emailed to all superintendents and delegates.
- Election of Officers for 2007-08:
  - President: David Ousley, Mar Lee made a nomination of **T.C. Case, Union City** as the 2007-08 CASBMA President supported by Marion Ramer, Bellevue. Al Miller, Harper Creek, recommended, without opposition, that the nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot cast for T. C. Case. The motion passed unanimously.
  - Vice-President: Georgia Marsh, Calhoun ISD made a nomination of **Janice Darling, Marshall** as the 2007-08 CASBMA Vice-President supported by T. C. Case. Georgia

Marsh, Calhoun ISD recommended, without opposition, that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot cast for Janice. The motion passed unanimously.

- Secretary/Treasurer and Executive Secretary: Janice Darling, Marshall made a motion and was supported by Georgia Marsh, Calhoun ISD to nominate **Mary Ellen Currie, Calhoun ISD** as the 2007-08 CASBMA Secretary/Treasurer and Executive Secretary. Jim Nelson, Lakeview made a recommendation, without opposition, to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Mary Ellen Currie. The motion passed unanimously.
- Adoption of the 2007-08 Budget: Becky Rocho distributed the proposed 2007-08 CASBMA Budget and reviewed the development assumptions. After some discussion, David Ousley, Mar Lee made a motion supported by Marion Ramer, Bellevue to adopt the Budget as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2007-08 Programs and Schedule: Becky Rocho reviewed the proposed Program dates and sought input on the programs and professional development. The Committee of the Whole adopted the 2007-08 Programs and Schedule pending confirmation of some professional development opportunities and it will be posted on the Calhoun ISD website [www.calhounisd.org](http://www.calhounisd.org).

**CASBMA NEW BOARD MEMBER CAUCUS:** Becky Rocho indicated to the Board that the new board member meeting will focus on understanding Calhoun ISD's Programs and Services and give new board members a chance to begin a relationship with Calhoun ISD. A meeting of the group is scheduled for November 1, 2007 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at Calhoun ISD (with light dinner). Georgia Marsh, Calhoun ISD encouraged all new board members to attend. CASBMA members wanted to clarify that, while this is a meeting focused on new members, any CASBMA members may participate. Invitations will go out to new board members, CASBMA delegates and superintendents.

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:** Becky Rocho gave the Board of Directors a legislative update. Issues discussed included: School Aid, Insurance and Retirement Reform, and discussions relative to "new revenue".

**OTHER:** The CBA flyer for the upcoming CBA 106 on September 25, 2007 was distributed. Georgia Marsh, Calhoun ISD shared with members the CISD Superintendent Search timeline.

**MEMBER COMMENTS:**

- David Ousley, Mar Lee wanted to encourage all board members to participate in the MASB Fall Conference.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Gary Tompkins, Homer made a motion, supported by Janice Darling, Marshall to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. The motion was adopted unanimously.

**NEXT MEETINGS:** CBA #106 Community Relations Leadership course September 25, 2007 at the Calhoun ISD; General Membership on October 24, 2007 at Marshall High School and the Board of Director's meeting on February 13, 2008 at the Calhoun ISD in Marshall on Education Legislation and Relevant Issues with MASB Staff.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Rocho, CASBMA Staff