

# BOARD TALK

February 10, 2009

**Board Talk is published to keep staff informed about actions of the Big Sandy ISD Board of Trustees. BSISD Trustees meet monthly in regular meeting on the second Monday of the month. They may also meet in called meetings for workshops, retreats, or to handle routine business. Meetings are held at 6:30 PM at the Board Room. Agendas are posted at the school, business office and on the BSISD website. Anyone wishing to address the Board may do so by signing up to speak just prior to the beginning of the meeting.**

## **Curriculum and Instruction**

Board Members voted to apply for the Optional Flex Extended Year Program, with this program the District would need to adopt a 180 calendar. The OFEYP would allow for up to 10 days of intense instruction for at risk students.

## **Facilities**

Mr. Beene presented information regarding renovation of the auditorium. The project could run around \$250,000, with new seating, lighting, scraping and painting the ceiling and carpet. The Board will continue to explore their options before making a decision.

## **Business and Financials**

Board Members ordered a \$6,750,000 bond election and a trustee election for Saturday, May 9, 2009. Early voting starts Monday, April 27, 2009, from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm in the business office. Last day to early vote by personal appearance is Tuesday, May 5, 2009 and in addition to the 8-4 hours in the business office, the District will offer a temporary polling site in the Student Center on Monday, May 4 from 5:00 pm – 8:00pm

Trustees approved the Interlocal Agreement with Upshur County Shared Service Arrangement.

Trustees rejected a bid of \$4,000 on Struck Off Property on Juniper Road.

Trustees approved authorizing superintendent to enter into an agreement with Upshur County for elections equipment and approved a resolution to move the Districts safety deposit box from the Gilmer Branch of First National Bank to the Big Sandy location.

## **Contracts**

Board approved extending administrators contracts one year.

### **Superintendent Report**

- Student Enrollment is 729
- High School Black History Program is 10:00 on Friday, February 13 and Elementary Black History Program is at 9:00 on February 19
- Board members and administrators discussed options and locations for high school graduation, the District will look into a stage for seniors to walk across on football field and a better sound system
- Discussed additions to policy DFBB and DFE, adding staff text messaging students as grounds for termination or nonrenewal.
- Discussed new software program that could be used for credit recovery, summer school or new credit.

**Next regular board meeting is Monday, March 9, 2009 at 6:30 pm in the business office boardroom.**

### **Board Members:**

*Lawrence Harper, President*

*Billy Wade Johnson, Vice President*

*Mary Lingle, Secretary*

*Bonne Reed, Member*

*Jana Rushing, Member*

*Jamey Childress, Member*

*Scott Stanford, Member*