#### **MINUTES**

# THE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF TAYLOR COUNTY EMERGENCY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, June 30, 2015

# 2 – Opening Meeting Items

### 2.01 - Roll Call

The Emergency Meeting began at 12:00 p.m.

All School Board Members were present with the exception of Danny Lundy and Kenneth Dennis. Danny Glover called in. Superintendent Dyal and Attorney Ball were also present.

#### 2.02 - Prayer and Pledge

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited with a prayer given by Darrell Whiddon.

# 2.03 - Adoption of the Agenda

Upon motion by Darrell Whiddon, seconded by Danny Glover, the Board adopted the agenda.

#### 19 – Discussion of Items

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Action Item

1.) The discussion was to inform the board of the building issues at the Taylor County High School and to purpose the next plan of action. Dan Anderson informed the Board that as they were doing some work at the high school, cleaning out gutters and installing storm shutters. On Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup> the block veneer had released and fallen from the wall at the northwest corner of Building A (main classroom building). There are pictures and video from the security camera of the block veneer falling. Dan also let the Board know that there isn't a structural problem with the building itself, only with the outer block veneer and its attachment to the structure.

Present at the meeting were Matt Parker, engineer from Parker Engineering and Greg Kelley, engineer from Clemons, Rutherford, and Associates (CRA). Mr. Kelley said that the veneer had fallen from the north face of the wall for a width of approximately four (4) foot from the corner. The height of fallen veneer was from the top of the wall down to approximately the second floor level. Mr. Parker commented that the problem is the outside veneers were not anchored to the interior durawalls in that portion of the building. The biggest concern and hardest thing to ensure is if this is the case within the entire building. In order to test this, there is a magnetic devise that can let you know if the anchors are present however, you still have the question of are they actually anchored into the interior walls. Mr. Kelley also mentioned that there is a camera device that

you can insert in between the wall and the outer veneer to take a closer look. Mr. Parker said that this approach is hard to get a close enough look as well. He suggested that we take the block veneer down around the current affected area to check the anchoring. If it is consistently anchored they could most likely assume that the corner was most likely a fluke area that was not properly constructed. Mr. Parker commented that he believes this issue is due to a construction flaw, Mr. Kelley agreed. Mr. Kelley mentioned that they are in the process of getting with the construction company responsible for building the high school to see what liability they may be responsible for.

Mr. Parker said, it will be difficult before testing to see how big the problem is and to assess what the cost and plan of action will be to repair. If it is just the one affected corner they will be able to replace the block veneer and make sure that it is anchored properly. However, if the issue is consistent throughout the building it will take more time and labor to correct. Mr. Dyal questioned if it was not fixed before the first day of school, can we still use the building. Mr. Parker and Mr. Kelley agreed that the building is usable and stable. However, that part of the building will need to be roped off and braced so that no one can come in contact with the affected area. Mr. Dyal also expressed his concern with the speed that the current block needs to be removed from the building in order to keep others from coming in contact with the building over the extended holiday weekend. Dan Anderson let the Board know that he has a brick mason on standby that can start working on the removal this week.

Darrell Whiddon made a motion to authorize a purchase order up to \$15,000 in order for the Engineers to test the Building A for similar issues throughout the building, Danny Glover seconded, the Board approved this item. This testing will begin the week of July  $6^{\rm th}$ .

### 40.01 - Adjournment from Regular Meeting

Upon motion by Darrell Whiddon, seconded by Danny Glover the Board adjourned at 12:41 p.m.

50.01 - Signatures			
Superintendent of Schools	Date	School Board Chair	Date