

ON BOARD

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DECEMBER 2018

*Schools closed
December 24 –
January 8.*

*Students return
January 9.*

*Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year!*

BOARD MEETINGS

7:00 · 3315 Washington

Tues 1/22

Mon 2/18

Thurs 3/14

Mon 4/15

Mon 5/20



Board discusses school-based health clinic

A proposal that would bring a school-based health clinic to CISD for all students was presented by Superintendent Charlie Alderman, Director of Health Services Kathy Myers and Family Services Coordinator Alison Walker.

The program, in partnership with Carevide of Greenville, would be housed in the Family and Community Engagement (FACE) Center, located behind CMS. The District's responsibility would be providing the structure, utilities, maintenance and internet service. Carevide would provide medical personnel two days per week to start with and supplies.

The cost to get the building ready for the health team would be about \$60,000 which would include two exam rooms, two offices and a lab. The Commerce Schools Educational Enrichment Foundation has already pledged to give half that amount and other entities are stepping forward to assist with construction services.

Alderman said getting students health care as soon as possible would make them able to get back to the classroom quicker, avoid the spread of contagious illnesses and increase funding for the district.

Parents could transport their children to the clinic or CISD health care personnel could transport them with parent's permission.

Other services offered would include immunizations. Future plans include providing health services for CISD employees. Another benefit of the program is that Carevide would handle all paperwork including insurance and Medicaid.

Board president Kathleen Hooten said it was a "fantastic" opportunity to help our students and families. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks thanked staff for their innovative approach to help students. Dr. Mark Reid said he was a big believer in the health care proposal.

In other action...

- The Board voted to approve the 2017-2018 financial audit presented by Rutherford, Taylor and Company, PC. The District was able to add \$500,000 to the fund balance this year bringing it to a total of \$6 million.
- Fund balance resembles a savings account which TEA requires of all school districts. In fact, TEA requires at least two month's operating budget to be held in fund balance to safeguard any shortfall in funding and tax collections.

In other business...

- Alderman recommended the board accept the resignation of Karen Wilson, CMS teacher, and hire Ja'Bria Wilson as a math teacher at CMS.
- Tax resale properties were approved as presented.
- Enrollment is up 14 students from this time last year.
- Trustee places 1, 2 and 3 are up for election on May 4. Those places are currently held by Kathleen Hooten, Gabe Wittkopf and Ray Green. Filing opens January 16 and closes February 15.