

# **Erath Excels! Academy**

Huston Academy

Shoreline Academy

## **Board Agenda October 28, 2013**

**4:30 PM Erath Excels! Academy 680 Peach Orchard Road Stephenville, TX**

**I. Weldon calls meeting to order.**

**II. Board members present: Weldon Huston, Jim Myers, Linda LaMarca, Joanna Shaw, Bob Becker, and Debra Miller. Administration present: Karen Jackson, Valarie Harvick and Debra Miller. Special guest: Ted Neeb with Freemon, Shapard and Story.**

**III. Ted Neeb, auditor for Freemon, Shapard and Story presents the 2012-2013 Financial Audit Review.**

**Debra Miller presents the 2011-2012 Erath Excels Academy Charter First Rating. Details include Status: Passed; Rating: Superior Achievement; Score: 60; Passing Score: 50. Debra passes out Governance Forms for members and administrative staff to review and sign. Debra collects board surveys. Debra explains we did pay some contract labor to Donna Otabacian for helping determine interest for a school in Rosebud. We plan to contract with Lori Foster to help with our planning and policies – some of the things she was working on before she resigned.**

**IV. Jim moves to accept the 2012-2013 Financial Audit Report. Joanna seconds. Weldon calls for question. None presented. Weldon calls for vote. All approve.**

**V. Debra presents the September 23, 2013 board minutes for consideration. Joanna moves to accept the September minutes. Linda seconds. Weldon calls for question. None presented. Weldon calls for vote. All approve.**

**VI. Karen presents the current Financial Report. FSP money is going up a little. We now have 110 students enrolled in Huston Academy and around 98 at Shoreline. These numbers should continue to grow the FSP monies. Joanna moves to accept the Financial Report. Jim seconds. Weldon calls for question. None presented. Weldon calls for vote. All approve.**

**VII. Karen reports that she has no budget amendments for consideration this month.**

**VIII. Debra explains that we would like to purchase a Mobie Lab with 30 laptop computers for teachers to use in the classrooms. We currently have one Mobie Lab with 20 computers. Ms. Harvick rolls the 20 cart lab into the meeting so members could see what we are using. She explains that with our enrollment up to 110, classes are getting larger and there is a need for more portable laptops. Ms. Harvick presents several bids from CDI but recommends a bid in the middle range between \$13,000 and \$16,000. Joanna moves to approve the purchase of a 30 laptop Mobie Lab and write a check for over \$5,000 but not to exceed \$16,000. Jim seconds. Weldon calls for question. None presented. Weldon calls for vote. All approve.**

**IX. Debra explains that the Shoreline facility is requiring all our Shoreline Academy staff to be Fingerprinted again. Debra has sent an email to Denise Pierce, legal council with the Texas Charter School Association to get her opinion on whether they can require our**

**employees be fingerprinted again. Another question will be who pays for the staff to be fingerprinted again – Erath Excels, the staff, or the Shoreline facility? Joanna moves to table this agenda item until we hear from Denise Pierce. Bob seconds. Weldon calls for question. None presented. Weldon calls for vote. All approve.**

**X. Jim moves to adjourn meeting. Joanna seconds. All approve.**