

ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

Robert Lee ISD posts board minutes

The Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session Monday, February 23, 2015, in the Robert Lee ISD Conference Room 119 at 5 pm. The meeting was called to order by President Washam at 5:06 pm.

All members were present: Wes Washam, Jeffie Roberts, Beverly Sinclair, Tom Sawyer, George Grim, Erin Oleksiuk, and Irma Torres.

The Invocation and pledge were led by George Grim.

Jeffie Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2015, meeting seconded by Erin Oleksiuk. All voted for.

Tom Sawyer made a motion to approve the financial reports given by Robin Allen and to approve the bills, seconded by Irma Torres. All voted for.

David O'Dell gave the high school report; enrollment for grades 7-12 was 108 and attendance rate was 95.5% for the month of January. Supt. Hood gave the elementary principals report; elementary enrollment for January was 160 students and 92.0% attendance rate.

Supt. Hood recommended to adopt the 2015-2016 School Calendar. Erin Oleksiuk made a motion to approve the calendar as presented seconded

by George Grim. All voted for. Supt. Hood recommended signing the Engagement Letter/Agreement to secure Eckert & Company, LLP for the district audit year ending August 31, 2015. Tom Sawyer made a motion to approve recommendation, seconded by Beverly Sinclair. All voted for.

Supt. Hood gave his respective report on facilities, enrollment numbers, budget, thank you notes, track meets and finance conference.

The Board went into closed session at 5:25 pm and reconvened into open session at 5:35 pm.

George Grim made a motion, seconded by Tom Sawyer, to extend Athletic Directors contract one year. All voted for.

Beverly Sinclair made a motion, seconded by Erin Oleksiuk, to extend Principal's contract one year with a 3% raise plus \$5,000 increase in overage. All voted for.

The next regular board meeting will be Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 5 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Phillely honored on list

Logan Phillely, a Robert Lee High School graduate, was among the 4,970 undergraduate students of University of Kansas earning honor roll distinction for the fall 2014 semester. Logan was named to the roll for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Scholarship opportunities available to high school, college students

Need extra money for college? Several scholarship opportunities are available for both high school and college students who are part of a Texas Farm Bureau (TFB) member family, Coke County Farm Bureau President John Ross Copeland said.

"Texas Farm Bureau offers these scholarships to help the next generation as they continue their education," John Ross said. "We know college can be expensive, and this is our way to help our member families and future leaders."

John Ross noted TFB and county Farm Bureaus across the state collectively give more than \$180,000 in scholarships each year.

In memory of former TFB President S.M. True Jr., a \$20,000 scholarship was established for college students who have declared agriculture as their major and have at least 60 hours of college credit.

The Dick Mitchell Scholarship awards \$1,000 to one high school junior or senior who attended TFB's Youth Leadership Conference in Stephenville during the summer. Collegiate and high school students who would like to pursue a career in agriculture are encouraged to apply for TFB's Young Farmer and Rancher scholarship. Memorial

and district scholarships are also available.

"We encourage all high school and college students in Coke County to check out the scholarships and apply," John Ross said.

Application requirements are detailed on the scholarship page under the "Youth and Education" section of texasfarmbureau.org.

For more information on local scholarships that are available through TFB, visit the Coke County Farm Bureau.

The deadline to apply is Friday, March 20,

Deadline Looms: Study Wildlife & Livestock - Earn A College Scholarship

Interested in wildlife and/or livestock? Are you interested in earning a college scholarship? By participating in a Texas Brigade program, and sharing what you learn with your community, you are well on your way to one!

The Brigade mission is to educate and empower youths with the leadership skills and knowledge in wildlife, fisheries, and land stewardship to become conservation ambassadors for a sustained natural resource legacy. Cadet graduate, Sean Skweres says, "This is a very interactive and hands-on camp. Texas Brigades taught me numerous life lessons and

helped me develop remarkable public speaking and excellent problem solving skills."

This will be the 23rd year of the Brigades. The Texas Brigades program is seeking 170 first-class youth leaders. The application deadline is March 16, 2015 and may be found at <http://www.texasbrigades.org/Applications/applications.html>.

Participants are selected through a competitive application process. Helen Holdsworth, Executive Director, says they are looking for youth ages 13-17 years of age. Texas Brigades is also accepting applications for adult volunteers. No experience is necessary, but applicants should have a strong interest in learning about wildlife, natural resources, livestock, and/or the environment. "We are looking for those with an interest in learning and then sharing what they have learned with their communities," reports Holdsworth.

The 4.5 days camps are held on private ranches across the state. "These landowners open their gates to us for five days, allowing us to utilize the land as a living laboratory. Natural resource professionals give of their time to mentor the youth. This is a valuable networking opportunity," she said. For more information, call 855-TXBRIGS or 210-556-1391 or email hholdsworth@texas-wildlife.org.

School Menu



Breakfast

Monday, March 9

Pancake wrap, yogurt, juice, milk

Tuesday, March 10

French toast, bacon, juice, milk

Wednesday, March 11

Chicken-n-biscuit, juice, milk

Thursday, March 12

Muffin, sausage, juice, milk

Friday, March 13

Waffle, sausage, eggs, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, March 9

Steak fingers, gravy, French fries, corn, baby carrots, fruit, milk

Tuesday, March 10

Asian chicken, brown rice, baby carrots, broccoli, pineapple, cookie

Wednesday, March 11

Tex-mex stack, salsa, Spanish rice, refried beans, salad, cinnamon apples, milk

Thursday, March 12

Hamburger, garnish, tator tots, western beans, pears, milk

Friday, March 13

Pizza, green beans, salad, apple, milk

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