

The Loraine Education Foundation Board of the Loraine Independent School District met in Regular Session on October 16, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Vice-President
Brian Butler
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

John Chaney
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan

II. School Officials Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager

III. Guests:

Rick Rodgers, CPA Sharon Rodgers

IV. Action Items:

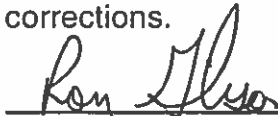
A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the minutes of July 17, 2017 as printed and Mr. Butler seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith approve the financial statements as presented and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to adjourn and Mr. Butler seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

These minutes are hereby approved as written, any additions, deletions or corrections have been stated and will reflect on next month's items of corrections.



Ron Gibson, President



John Chaney, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Regular Session on September 18, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Brian Butler
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:
None

II. School Officials Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager

III. Guests:
None

IV. Open Forum:
None

V. Principal's Report:

- School year has started well and teachers and students are working hard.
- Attendance at this point is at 98% and enrollment is 159.
- Students are involved in Volleyball, Football and Cross Country.
- The district is picking up 5-8 students at Roscoe.

VI. Superintendent Report:

- The Commissioners Court has approved the Wind Turbine abatements. The district was notified that the Comptroller has approved the applications for limitations on appraised values.
- As reported above, the school year is going well.
- Mr. McDowell mentioned the options for becoming a District of Innovation.

VII. Action Items:

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve the minutes of August 21, 2017, August 29, 2017 for Public Hearing and August 29, 2017 for Special Meeting as printed and Mr. Butler seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to approve the financial statements and expenditures as presented and Mr. Lujan seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Lujan to approve renewing the contracted services with Walsh, Gallegos for legal services and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to pass a resolution for plans to become a District of Innovation and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

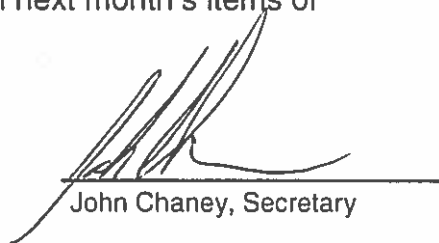
A motion was made by Mr. Linam to adjourn and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm

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Ron Gibson, President



John Chaney, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Special/Public Meeting on October 16, 2017 at 6:40 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
Brian Butler
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

John Chaney
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan

II. School Officials Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager


III. The Public Meeting was held for the community to have input for the plan of District of Innovation. No one from the public/community was present.

IV. Action Items:

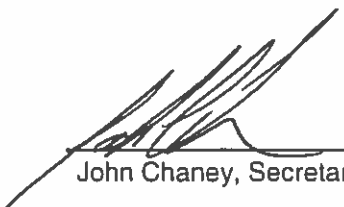
A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to adjourn from the public meeting and Mr. Smith seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm

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Ron Gibson, President



John Chaney, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Regular Session on October 16, 2017 at 6:51 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson- President
Frank Garcia-Vice-President
Brian Butler
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

John Chaney
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan

II. School Officials Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager

III. Guests:

Rick Rodgers, CPA Sharon Rodgers

IV. Open Forum:

None

V. Rick Rodgers, CPA presented the audit for year ending August 31, 2017. He gave an overview of the financial statements and a comparison of 2017 year ending status to four years previous. The audit was completed with no findings.

VI. Principal's Report:

- Enrollment stands at 160 and currently attendance is 98.82%.
- Volleyball and football continues for students.
- Loraine ISD will be hosting the elementary district UIL meeting in November.

VII. Superintendent Report:

- Testing will be held for students to evaluate their data.
- The district received word from Mali Hanley that their staff is beginning to draft the agreement to implement the appraised value limitation. Some decisions that will need to be made include

- deciding to use a fixed ADA or floating ADA and the timing on the first supplemental payment.
- An application will be submitted for the FOCUS grant. This is a follow-up to the previous year's Priority FOCUS grant and is focused on Math and Reading. The grant will be used for professional development and to set up a computer lab. This will be a lab that is accessible to elementary as well as secondary classes.
- New requirements have been implemented by SB 1566 for school board training hours. At the regular meeting of the school board held before an election must reflect whether each trustee has met or is deficient in the required hours for the trustees as of the first anniversary of the date of the trustee's election/appointment. A document was attached with complete requirements outlined.
- October is principal appreciation month.
- The seat for a member on the Mitchell County Appraisal Board will need to be filled by January.

VIII. Action Items:

A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to accept the audit report as presented for year ending August 31, 2017 and Mr. Smith seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Butler to approve the minutes of September 18, 2017 as printed and Mr. Smith seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

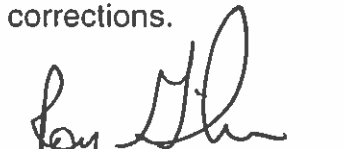
A motion was made by Mr. Smith to accept the expenditures and financial statements as presented and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Garcia to pursue a District of Innovation Plan and Mr. Butler seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to adjourn and Mr. Smith seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm

These minutes are hereby approved as written, any additions, deletions or corrections have been stated and will reflect on next month's items of corrections.



Ron Gibson, President



John Chaney, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Regular Session on November 13, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

Brian Butler

II. School Officials Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager

III. Guests:

None

IV. Open Forum:

None

V. Information Items::

- Enrollment is 161 and attendance is 96.81%.
- Loraine is sponsoring the Elementary and Middle school UIL contest.
- December will be the time to sign on the Chapter 313 final proposal.
- Benchmark testing showed results of stronger math skills than ELA. Tutorials and interventions will be implemented.
- Community Thanksgiving meal will be November 16.

VI. Action Items:

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the minutes of Special Meeting, October 16 and Regular Meeting October 16, 2017 as printed and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve the financial statements as presented and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to notify SHAC of intent to file a waiver to not participate in the Summer Feeding Mandate and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to approve the budget amendment of \$75,000 from fund balance and Mr. Lujan seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to adopt TASB Update 109 as presented and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the engagement letter for auditing services with James E. Rodgers and Company for year ending August 31, 2018 and Mr. Lujan seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to appoint John Chaney as representative for Loraine ISD on the Mitchell County Appraisal District Board and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to approve adjusting the School Nurse pay scale to \$23.00 per hour and Mr. Smith seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Exited Open Session.

Convened in Executive session at 7:00 pm.

Exited Executive Session at 7:10 pm.

Reconvened in Open Session.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to accept the resignation of Sarah Headrick and Mr. Lujan seconded. The motion was passed with Mr. Smith, Mr. Linam, Mr. Lujan, Mr. Garcia and Mr. Chaney voting yes and Mr. Gibson voting no.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to adjourn and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm

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Ron Gibson, President


John Chaney, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Special Session on December 18, 2017 at 6:45 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Brian Butler
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

None

II. School Officials Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager

III. Guests:

Mali Hanley Bob Popinski

IV. Open Forum:

None

The purpose of the meeting was to have an open meeting to give the public opportunity to comment on the 2015-2016 Financial Integrity Rating of Texas (FIRST) for Loraine ISD. There was no comment or questions.

V. Action Items:

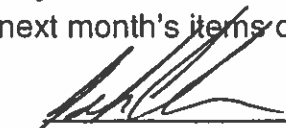
A motion was made by Mr. Linam to adjourn the public hearing of the FIRST meeting and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm

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Ron Gibson, President



John Chaney, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Public Meeting on December 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Brian Butler
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:
None

II. School Officials Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager

III. Guests:

Colton Chavez Mali Hanley Bob Popinski Joe Rivera

IV. Open Forum:

None


The purpose of the meeting was to give the public the opportunity to comment on the creation of the Third Planet reinvestment Zone and on the Application of Third Planet Windpower, LLC for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property. There were no public comment or questions.

V. Action Items:

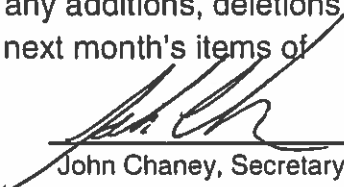
A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to adjourn from the Public Hearing and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm

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Ron Gibson, President



John Chaney, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Regular Session on December 18, 2017 at 7:08 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Brian Butler
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:
None

II. School Officials Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager

III. Guests:

Colton Chavez Mali Hanley Bob Popinski Joe Rivera

IV. Open Forum:

Colton Chavez came before the board to discuss the LEF Scholarship program and to discuss the continuation of his scholarship. Mr. Gibson informed him that he needed to come to an actual LEF meeting to present his concerns.

V. Information:

- The Carl Perkins Grant has been approved for the district. It will amount to approximately \$2100.
- School board training hours were discussed and more training will be forthcoming.
- The Christmas program will be held December 19.
- Enrollment stands at 160 with a refined ADA of 146.64 and attendance rate of 96.1%.

VI. Discussion:

- Discussed approving resolution creating Third Planet Reinvestment zone.
- Discussed approving agreement with third Planet Windpower, LLC, Comptroller Application No. 1196, for an appraised value limitation on qualified property for school M&O taxes, pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code.

- Discussion of board action to consider the waiver of job creation requirement requested by Third Planet Windpower, LLC.
- Discussion on adopting findings under the Texas Economic Development Act on the application of Third Planet Windpower, LLC, Comptroller Application No, 1196, for an appraised value limitation on qualified property for school district M&O taxes.

VII. Action Items:

Mr. Smith moved to approve a resolution creating Third Planet reinvestment zone and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion passed with Mr. Smith, Mr. Garcia and Mr. Gibson voting yes and Mr. Linam, Mr. Lujan, Mr. Chaney and Mr. Butler abstaining.

Mr. Smith moved to approve Application No. 1196 and the agreement with Third Planet Windpower, LLC, as recommended by counsel and the District's consultants, for an appraised value limitation on qualified property for school district M&O taxes, pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion passed with Mr. Smith, Mr. Garcia and Mr. Gibson voting yes and Mr. Linam, Mr. Lujan, Mr. Chaney and Mr. Butler abstaining.

Mr. Garcia moved to approve the waiver of job creation requirement requested by third Planet Windpower, LLC and Mr. Smith seconded. The motion passed with Mr. Smith, Mr. Garcia and Mr. Gibson voting yes and Mr. Linam, Mr. Lujan, Mr. Chaney and Mr. Butler abstaining.

Mr. Garcia moved to adopt agreement under the Texas Economic Development Act, as proposed by District's Consultants and Counsel, on the application of Third Planet Windpower, LLC, Comptroller Application No, 1196, for an appraised value limitation on qualified property for school district M&O taxes and Mr. Smith seconded. The motion passed with Mr. Smith, Mr. Garcia and Mr. Gibson voting yes and Mr. Linam, Mr. Lujan, Mr. Chaney and Mr. Butler abstaining.

A motion as made by Mr. Chaney to approve the minutes of November 13, 2017 as printed and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to accept the financial statements as presented and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to accept the School FIRST report and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

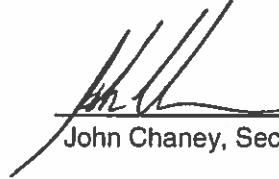
A motion was made by Mr. Linam to adjourn and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm

These minutes are hereby approved as written, any additions, deletions or corrections have been stated and will reflect on next month's items of corrections.



Ron Gibson, President



John Chaney, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Regular Session on January 22, 2018 at 7:01 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

Brian Butler

II. School Officials Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager

III. Guests:

None

IV. Open Forum:

None

V. Information:

- January is School Board Appreciation month and Mr. McDowell presented the members a gift to each member in appreciation of their service.
- Enrollment stands at 162 and the attendance is 95.9%.
- Benchmark testing will begin in the next two weeks. This will give teachers and administrators time to review testing and student progress.
- The wind turbines will be coming off of the Chapter 313 plan and will be added to the property values at their full amount. It is likely to double the current tax values. There is a probability that this will compress our tax rate below a \$1.00. Mr. McDowell recommends that Mr. Kincaid from the Education Service Center present training on TRE information in preparation of the best next steps for the district to take.
- School board training hours were reviewed and future training opportunities were discussed.

VI. Action Items:

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve all minutes of December 18, 2017 and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to approve the expenditures and financial statements as presented and Mr. Chaney seconded.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve the Inter-Local Agreement with West Texas Food Service Co-op and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to approve the Order of election and Notice of Election and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve Shirley Summers as Election Judge, Jennifer Zuniga and Rosa Espinoza as election clerks and Debbie Finley as Early Voting Clerk and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the Joint Election Agreement with the City of Loraine and Mr. Lujan seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve notifying the Commissioner of Education of intention to vote on proposed plan for School of Innovation and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Exited Open Session.

Entered into Executive Session at 7:40 pm.

Exited Executive Session at 8:17 pm.

Reconvened in Open Session.

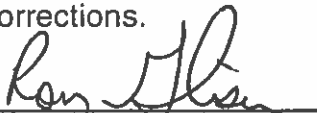
A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to offer a 97 day probationary contract to Garrett English and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to extend Mr. McDowell's contract by one year and increase salary by 3% and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to adjourn and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

These minutes are hereby approved as written, any additions, deletions or corrections have been stated and will reflect on next month's items of corrections.


Ron Gibson, President


John Chaney, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Regular Session on February 19, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

Brian Butler
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan

II. School Officials Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent
James Womack, Principal
Debbie Finley, Business Manager

III. Guests:

None

IV. Open Forum:

None

V. Principal Report:

- Enrollment is 161, Refined ADA is 145.55 and attendance 95.17%.
- Mr. Womack has visited with the CTE consultant from the ESC on ways to expand our offerings for Career and Tech courses. These courses generate more funding.
- Second benchmark testing will take place in the week before spring break. We are five weeks away from STAAR testing, but students are on pace.
- TEA is moving the academic performance rating of districts to A-F score. At this time, the standards are a moving target so it is difficult to predict the outcome of the scores for our district.
- Recent activities have included the selling of Valentine Cookies and Daddy/Daughter Dance. Track and Golf have also begun. The district is hosting a basketball playoff game for Garden City vs. Lueders-Avooca on Tuesday.

- Planning has begun for May activities such as NHS induction ceremony, banquets, and field day.
- Parent/Teacher surveys on climate of the school are available on the school Facebook page until March 9.

VI. Superintendent's Report:

- Federal report on the district went out to parents.
- The district has received notification based on testing and school finance that we have met status of Accredited.
- The February Bond payment was made on February 12 and funds are currently available to make the August interest payment.
- Updates on plans for graduation were presented. The slide show will be presented to the superintendent for approval a week prior to the ceremony. Also a list of graduation speakers will be submitted to superintendent for approval. Graduation will be June 1 at 7:00 pm.

VII. Action Items:

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve the minutes of January 22, 2018 and Mr. Smith seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the expenditures and financial statements as presented and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to adopt TASB Update 110 as presented and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve accepting the District of Innovation Plans as presented and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the property/auto insurance renewal with TASB and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Exited Open Session.

Entered into Executive Session at 7:18 pm.

Exited Executive Session at 7:54 pm.

Reconvened in Open Session.

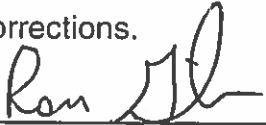
A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to extend the Principal's contract another year with a 3% raise and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to extend the Business Manager's contract by one year and Mr. Linam Chaney. The motion was passed unanimously.

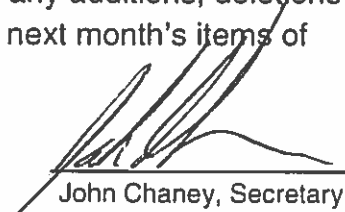
A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to adjourn and Mr. Smith seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

These minutes are hereby approved as written, any additions, deletions or corrections have been stated and will reflect on next month's items of corrections.



Ron Gibson, President



John Chaney, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Regular Session on March 26, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Brian Butler
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

None

II. School Officials Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent
James Womack, Principal
Debbie Finley, Business Manager

III. Guests:

None

IV. Open Forum:

None

V. Principal Report:

- Enrollment is 158, Refined ADA is 145.81 and attendance 95.44%.
- The Elementary will have an Easter egg hunt on Thursday, an early release and the Easter Holiday on Friday.
- The first round of STAAR testing will begin on April 10 and ending April 12. Testing will also be held in May.
- Benchmark testing results show that students are ahead of where they were last year.
- District golf will be held on April 9 and track is ongoing with the district track meet to be held on April 3rd for Junior High and April 5th for High School.

VI. Superintendent's Report:

- Senate Bill 1566 is a required training for School Board Members. A training will be held April 11, 6:00 pm at the Colorado City ISD Administration Building.
- Discussion was held on school safety with pros and cons of someone on campus carrying a weapon. Much training will be required, as well as, the consideration of liability insurance for the person carrying. The district participates in drills and staff has been in the ALICE training. TEA has conducted safety audits and the district passed all areas.
- Discussion was held on the responsibility of the concession stands and of parents taking over as school sponsors. After discussion, the general consensus was to continue handling the concession duties as we now do them.

VII. Action Items:

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve the minutes of February 19, 2018 with the correction on page 2 to read "A motion was made by Mr. Smith to extend the Business Manager's contract by one year and **Mr. Chaney** seconded" and Mr. Smith seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve the expenditures and financial statements as presented and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to cancel the May 5, 2018 school board election due to unopposed candidates and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Exited Open Session.

Entered into Executive Session at 7:09 pm.

Exited Executive Session at 7:37 pm.

Reconvened in Open Session.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to offer one-year contracts to Krystal Acevedo, Michael Barrientez, Denice Bradbury, Leighton Conway, Jana Edmonds, Amy Franco, Terrie Olstowski, Julie Sanchez, Cheryl Warren and John Rawlings and Mr. Butler seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

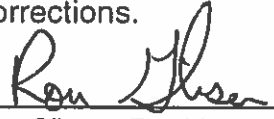
A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to offer one-year probationary contracts to Garrett English and Lori Garza and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Butler to accept resignations of Phyllis Byrne, Deborah Adams, Onashka Hernandez, and Paige Griggs and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.


A motion was made by Mr. Linam to adjourn and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.

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Ron Gibson, President



John Chaney, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Regular Session on May 21, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Brian Butler
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

Ron Gibson

II. School Officials Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager

III. Guests:

None

IV. Open Forum:

None

V. Information Items:

- The preliminary tax values were reviewed. The M&O values have more than doubled because the Chapter 313 wind turbine agreements have expired.
- The district is still awaiting the STAAR test results, but good results are expected.
- After discussion, there was a consensus to continue to purchase housing for the district. One such house to be considered is the parsonage of the Methodist church.
- Graduation is set for June 1. The board will meet in the administration area prior to moving to the stage area.

VI. Action Items:

Board Member Frank Garcia signed Statement of Elected Officer and received his Certificate of Election.

The floor for board president nominations was opened and Mr. Chaney nominated Ron Gibson and Mr. Butler seconded. No other nominations were made and Mr. Chaney moved that nominations cease and Mr. Butler seconded. Mr. Gibson was voted as board president in a vote of 7-0.

Nominations for board vice-president were called. Mr. Chaney nominated Mr. Garcia and Mr. Butler seconded. No other nominations were made and Mr. Chaney moved that nominations cease and Mr. Butler seconded. Mr. Garcia was voted as board vice-president in a vote of 7-0.

Nominations for board secretary were called. Mr. Butler nominated Mr. Linam and Mr. Smith seconded. No other nominations were made and Mr. Butler moved that nominations cease and Mr. Smith seconded. Mr. Linam was voted as board secretary in a vote of 7-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve the minutes of April 23, 2018 as printed and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the expenditures and financial statements as presented and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

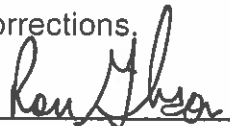
A motion was made by Mr. Linam to approve the overnight travel request for Ag Leadership Camp and Mr. Butler seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the superintendent recommendation to purchase a 29 passenger bus and Mr. Butler seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

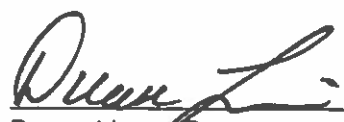
A motion was made by Mr. Linam to adjourn and Mr. Butler seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

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Ron Gibson, President



Duane Linam, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Special Session on June 4, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Brian Butler
Duane Linam
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

Joe Lujan

II. School Officials Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager

III. Information Items:

Mr. McDowell gave timeline on the Superintendent position. Mr. McDowell's last day with the district will be June 22.

Exited Open Session.

Entered into Executive Session at 6:31 p.m.

Exited Executive Session at 7:23 p.m.

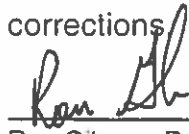
Reconvened in Open Session.

IV. Action Items:

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to adjourn and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

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Ron Gibson, President



Duane Linam, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Special Session on June 12, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Brian Butler
Duane Linam
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

Joe Lujan

II. Guests:

Steve Maikell

III. School Official Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent

Exited Open Session.

Entered into Executive Session at 6:32 p.m.

Exited Executive Session at 6:47 p.m.

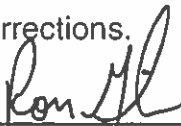
Reconvened in Open Session.

IV. Action Items:

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to adjourn and Mr. Butler seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

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Ron Gibson, President



Duane Linam, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Regular Session on June 18, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Brian Butler
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

None

II. School Officials Present:

Brandon McDowell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager

III. Guests:

Steve Maikell

IV. Open Forum:

None

V. Information Items:

- Superintendent and Business Manager have completed a preliminary budget with the preliminary tax values. At this point, the budget appears to be in fairly good shape. The wind turbines coming off of the Chapter 313 Agreements this year and coming on the tax rolls at full value has boosted the tax values. This has caused the tax rate to compress to approximately 0.71 per \$100 of value.
- TASB insurance has been in the district to assess the damages done by the storm in early June. Three houses will need new roofs, and there is much damage to the a/c units on top of the school. We are awaiting the numbers for the claim.
- The STAAR Data was reviewed and the indexes are a bit higher than last year. A chart of the scores was presented.

VI. Action Items:

Board Member Ron Gibson signed Statement of Elected Officer and received his Certificate of Election. He was then sworn in by Notary Public, Debbie Finley.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve the minutes of May 21, 2018, June 4, 2018 and June 12, 2018 as printed and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve the expenditures and financial statements as presented and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve the 2018-2019 Compensation Plan as presented and Mr. Butler seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Exited Open Session.

Entered into Executive Session at 6:57 p.m.

Exited Executive Session at 7:02 p.m.

Reconvened in Open Session

A motion was made by MR. Smith to accept the resignation of Brandon McDowell and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to accept the resignation of Sidnee Lister and Mr. Butler seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to hire Mr. Steve Maikell as Interim Superintendent and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

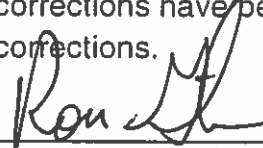
A motion was made by Mr. Linam to approve removing Mr. Brandon McDowell as administrator of the Prosperity/Visa account and adding Mr. Steve Maikell and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to approve removing Mr. Brandon McDowell and adding Mr. Steve Maikell to signature cards on current accounts at Western Bank and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to adjourn and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

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Ron Gibson, President



Duane Linam, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Regular Session on July 16, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

Brian Butler

II. School Officials Present:

Steve Maikell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager

III. Guests:

Kim Calderon Richard and Tonya Cooper Jerry Hammond

IV. Open Forum:

Richard Cooper came before the board to voice his concern over denial of transfer for his students.

V. Information Items:

- The Certified Values should be available to the district by July 25. Receiving this number will help in figuring revenue for the 2018-2019 budget. Mr. Maikell and business manager will meet with Dr. Karr on August 6 to finalize the revenue for the budget.
- The district is still awaiting the final report from the insurance adjuster and company in regards to the hail damages from the June storm. Jerry Hammond came before the board to explain the options on the HVAC at the PE Facility. The current units were damaged and will need to be replaced, but in the past the units were not large enough to properly heat/cool the building. Since the units need to be replaced options were discussed to put two 7 ½ ton units to accommodate the size of the

- building. The extra costs to replace larger units will be at the district expense.
- Mr. Maikell discussed setting a date for the Team of Eight board training.

VI. Action Items:

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve the minutes of June 18, 2018 as printed and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve the expenditures and financial statements as presented and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to approve the proposed meal prices as follows: Breakfast PreK-5th .90 and Lunch \$1.85 and Breakfast 6th-12th .90 and lunch \$2.10 and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to limit students to 5 charges for meals and Mr. Lujan seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to accept the 2018-2019 Student Handbook as presented and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to accept the 2018-2019 Student Code of Conduct as presented and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to accept the 2018-2019 Employee Handbook as presented and Mr. Lujan seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to approve giving Temporary Full Hiring Authority for the Superintendent and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to approve setting the budget workshop on August 2, 2018 at 6:30 and Mr. Gibson seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Exited Open Session.

Entered into Executive Session at 7:46 p.m.

Exited Executive Session at 8:01 p.m.

Reconvened in Open Session

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to accept the resignation of Leighton Conway and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

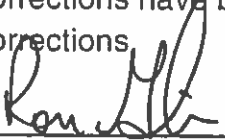
A motion was made to offer a one year probationary contract to Harley Etheridge and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to offer a one year probationary contract to Jocelyn cook and Mr. Lujan seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Lujan to adjourn and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

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BOARD MEETINGS
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
(OPEN FORUM)

Name: Richard Cooper Date: 7-17-18 Time: 6:30pm

Subject to be Addressed: Denial of Transfer

At regular meetings, the Board shall allot 30 minutes to hear persons who to desire to make comments to the Board. Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting shall sign up with the presiding officer or designee before the meeting begins and shall indicate the topic about which they wish to speak.

NOTE: Participation is limited to the designated open forum portion of the meeting. No presentation shall exceed five minutes. Delegations of more than five persons shall appoint one person to present their views before the Board. Specific factual information or recitation of existing policy may be furnished in response to inquiries, but the Board may not deliberate, discuss, or make any decisions on any subject not on the agenda. If the topic qualifies for closed session, the board reserves the right to enter into closed session.

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Special Session on August 2, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Brian Butler
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

None

II. School Officials Present:

Steve Maikell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager
Kim Calderon, Secretary

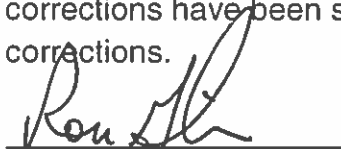
III. The proposed 2018-2019 budget was reviewed and effective tax rate was discussed.

IV. Action Items:


A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to adjourn and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

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Ron Gibson, President



Duane Linam, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Special Session on August 9, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

- I. Officers and Members Present:
Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
John Chaney, Secretary
Brian Butler
Duane Linam

Members Absent:
Joe Lujan
Dwayne Smith

- II. Guests:
None

- III. School Official Present:
Steve Maikell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manage
Kim Calderon

- IV. The purpose of the meeting was to review the proposed 2018-2019 M & O tax rate and the proposed 2018-2019 I & S tax rate.

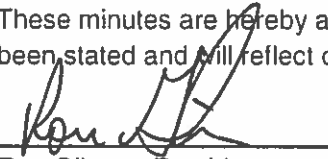
- V. Action Items:
A motion was made by Mr. Linam to approve the proposed 2018-2019 Maintenance & Operations tax rate of \$1.04 per \$100 valuation and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve the proposed 2018-2019 Interest and Sinking tax rate of .4466 per \$100 valuation and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to adjourn and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm.

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Ron Gibson, President


Duane Linam, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in Regular Session on August 20, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
John Chaney, Secretary
Duane Linam
Joe Lujan
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

Brian Butler
Frank Garcia, Jr.

II. School Officials Present:

Steve Maikell, Superintendent
Dustin Anders, Principal
Debbie Finley, Business Manager
Kim Calderon

III. Guests:

Ryan Eime Mali Hanley

IV. Open Forum:

Mali Hanley of O'Hanlon, Demerath & Castillo came before the board to update them on the Chapter 313 Agreement with Loraine Windpark. An amended agreement for limitation on appraised value of property for school district maintenance and operations taxes was presented. This document pertained to change in name from Third Planet Windpower, LLC to Loraine Windpark Phase 3, LLC.

V. Principal Information:

- The district has received the Accountability Rating of Met Standard. If the district had been evaluated on the new A-F rating system, Loraine ISD would have been a solid B with a score of 85. In the index of Student Achievement the district scored 83 out of 100, School Progress was 86 of 100, Closing the Gaps was 83 out 100. The district also received distinctions in Mathematics, English Language Arts/Reading,

- Postsecondary Readiness and top 25 Percent: Comparative Closing the Gaps.
- In improving student outcomes, the district will be offering tutorials for struggling students by utilizing a 30 minute before school and after school times. The focus will not only be on struggling students but to also advance students that are doing well to even greater success.
- First day enrollment was 152 with 76 in grades PK-5 and 76 in grades 6-12. The district is currently receiving 39 transfer students with 19 in grades PK-5 and 20 in grades 6-12.

VI. Superintendent's Report:

- The School Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) rating based on 2016-2017 data has been released. The district received a rating of A which equals Superior.

VII. Action Items:

A motion was made by Dwayne Smith to approve Assignment of Agreement with Third Planet and Mr. Gibson seconded. The motion was passed with Mr. Lujan, Mr. Linam and Mr. Chaney abstaining.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to approve the minutes of July 16, 2018, August 2, 2018 and August 9, 2018 as printed and Mr. Lujan seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to approve the expenditures and financial statements as presented and Mr. Lujan seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Lujan to approve Method 2 for adult meal pricing and to increase adult breakfast cost to \$2.15 and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve TASB Board Policy Update 111 as printed and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion as passed unanimously.

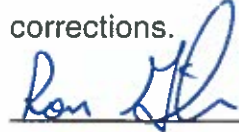
A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to not approve the AEP Interlocal Agreement with Colorado ISD and motion died for lack of a second.

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to approve the 2018-2019 Housing Agreement with a revision of renters mowing their own grass with their own equipment and Mr. Chaney seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Chaney to adjourn and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

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Ron Gibson, President



Duane Linam, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in a Public Meeting on August 30, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
Brian Butler
Duane Linam
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

John Chaney
Joe Lujan

II. School Officials Present:

Steve Maikell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager
Kim Calderon

III. Guests:

None

IV. Information Items:

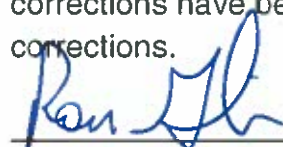
The purpose of the meeting was to give the community opportunity to have input into the 2018-2019 proposed budget and the 2018-2019 tax rates for M & O and I & S. No one from the community was present.

V. Action Items:

A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to adjourn and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:32 pm.

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Ron Gibson, President



Duane Linam, Secretary

The Board of Education of the Loraine Independent School District met in a Special Meeting on August 30, 2018 at 6:35 p.m. in the Board Room of the Loraine Public School.

MINUTES

I. Officers and Members Present:

Ron Gibson, President
Frank Garcia, Jr, Vice-President
Brian Butler
Duane Linam
Dwayne Smith

Members Absent:

John Chaney
Joe Lujan

II. School Officials Present:

Steve Maikell, Superintendent
Debbie Finley, Business Manager
Kim Calderon

III. Guests:

None

IV. Action Items:

A motion was made by Mr. Linam to adopt the 2018-2019 budget as presented and Mr. Butler seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to adopt the 2018-2019 Maintenance & Operation tax rate of \$1.04 per \$100 of value and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Butler to adopt the 2018-2019 Interest & Sinking tax rate of \$0.4466 per \$100 of value and Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the budget amendments as presented and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

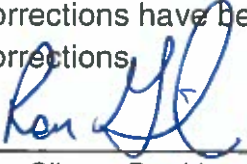
A motion was made by Mr. Linam to grant the superintendent and business manager authority to make additional amendments as needed for audit purposes and Mr. Butler seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the Inter-local agreement with Colorado ISD for DAEP services and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Garcia to adjourn and Mr. Linam seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 pm.

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Ron Gibson, President



Duane Linam, Secretary

