

School Board Meeting Is Held; Group Discusses Plant Problems

Plant facilities drew the major attention at the regular meeting of the Hillsboro board of education Monday at the board offices.

The major project, in addition to building the two elementary schools, will be the moving of equipment from the old Washington Building to the Webster School after school is dismissed this month. All elementary pupils from Washington will attend classes in the old Webster Building next year. The present Webster youngsters will be moved into the new building for the next term.

School officials and board members have been working out detail-

ed programs for the moving. Teachers and students will do some preliminary work, such as getting textbooks ready to move. There is a strong likelihood that first and second grade youngsters may be dismissed a day earlier than other classes. This may be done in order to clear the annex at Webster School so some remodeling work can get underway there.

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IN OTHER actions the board approved a list of seniors for graduation, ordered new desks and made plans for several other projects.

Drainage tile for the Washington School grounds has been ordered

and work will begin as soon as possible. This ties in closely with a leveling program of the play area there.

Paul L. Upp, superintendent, was authorized to purchase 225 new pupil desks and 17 new teachers desks for the Webster School. Some reshuffling of desks in the buildings will be accomplished later. The cost of these will run about \$9,500. Money had been set aside for this purpose in the appropriations. It is planned, when money is available, to obtain some desks for the high school.

School executives are studying
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some of the problems connected with the handling of some 800 children at the Webster site next fall. It is a possibility that buses may be pulled onto the lower playground there for loading. Parking areas for teachers and patrons will be designated later.

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THE BOARD is hopeful of receiving approval of rehabilitation projects submitted to the state. However, a check Monday with the state department revealed that all projects are being held in abeyance until the legislature clears school legislation. E. J. Arnold, rehabilitation director, said action would be taken speedily once clearance is given.

The possibility of putting a new fence all around the Webster playground was discussed but no action was taken at this meeting. The board authorized a survey of all trees on school property, with those to be removed being marked for destruction. Salary readjustments on three teachers were approved. Resignation of Ceretea Warren and Charles Rymer, high school teachers, was announced. Upp reported steady progress on the new Webster School.

The possibility of adding shuttle buses or having some buses make two trips next year to pick up rural youngsters was discussed. Buses are getting overcrowded on present routes.