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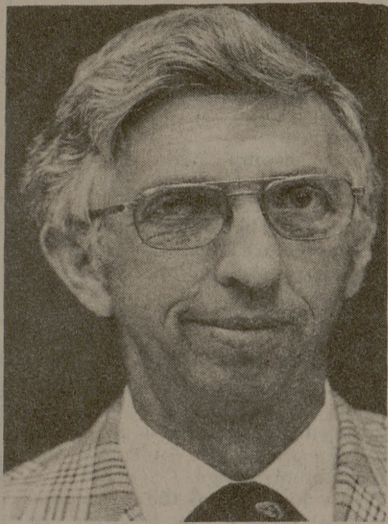
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Roger Feldman

Roger Feldman, 50, 1304 Glade, assistant professor of veterinary pathology at Texas A&M. Member of city council's Parks and Recreation Committee.



Roger Feldman

Why do you think that you're qualified to hold a position in the school board?

I would not run for a position if I did not think that I was qualified. I can name no other specific reasons.

What do you consider to be the highest priorities of the board?

Space. The board needs room for expansion. The school system needs room for growth.

Are you in favor of the April 3rd bond issue? Do you have any objections to it?

Yes, I am in favor of the bond issue. I have no objections to it.

Would you support another bond issue if this one fails?

Yes.

Should the curriculum be expanded on both the elementary and secondary levels? What courses should be included?

Actually, curriculum needs should be left up to those that are knowledgeable about this area. I do not con-

sider myself qualified. Everyone knows that there is a need in the area for vocational training and education. The schools are not equipped at the present time to properly train students vocationally. They need to expand this program.

In what cases should corporal punishment be used?

I can cite no specific cases.

Is there a drug problem in this district? If so, what corrective measures should be taken?

If I say there is a drug problem, that that may be taken that I have first-hand knowledge of some situations. But, if I say that there is no problem, then I am showing my ignorance. The school does not cause drug problems. I feel that corrective measures should be taken in the home. It is not the responsibility of the schools to handle this.

Have you been satisfied with the performance of the current school board? If not, why?

I have no objections to what the board has done. Though I might not agree with all their actions in every case, I am sure that they would not agree with everything that I would do as a board member.

Elizabeth Naugle

Elizabeth Naugle, 37, 1113 Westover, former A&M Consolidated elementary school teacher. Member of PTA program development.



Elizabeth Naugle

Why do you think you're qualified to hold a position on the school board?

I have been an elementary teacher here and in California. Also, I am well prepared for the job, having attended the board meetings for the past four years. In addition, I am a member of a visiting team of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools accreditation study.

What do you consider to be the highest priorities of the board?

The first priority is to expand physical facilities. In addition, my priorities include active recruitment of the best qualified teachers, competitive opportunities for all and continuing involvement of faculty and community in the policy making role.

Are you in favor of the April 3rd bond election? What objections, if any, do you have to it?

My one vote does not count any more than anyone else's vote. I am not going to tell anyone else how to vote. I do suggest that they take time to visit the schools before they vote.

Would you support another election if this one fails?

If it fails, my recommendation is to break it into propositions. We have to have some kind of bond program; I think everyone in town realizes this.

Should the curriculum be expanded on both the elementary and secondary levels? What courses should be included?

There are plenty of things you could name. To narrow it down, if one must, the language and art programs need to be expanded. Basic reading and writing of English must be stressed to a greater extent. It is ridiculous for a high school student to be lacking in these skills. Our

foreign language programs need to be strengthened also.

In what cases should corporal punishment be used?

The positive angle should be emphasized. I told the faculty that they have overused and misused corporal punishment. I could never write a policy that completely abolished it, because they have too much responsibility. The discipline needs to be in accordance with the home.

Is there a drug problem in the district? If so, what corrective measures should be taken?

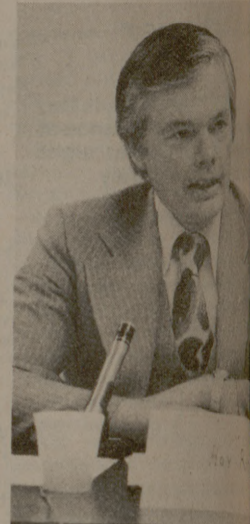
I am not as well versed in the drug problem as are others, because my children are young yet. Counseling is probably the best thing the schools can have to offer.

Have you been satisfied with the performance of the current school board?

I admire very much the total effort the present council has put into the job. And I think we have had some extremely effective and responsive individuals on the board.

Hoy Richards

Hoy Richards, 44, 1703 Glade, transportation economist for Texas Transportation Institute. Former school board member, 1971.



Hoy Richards

Why do you think you're qualified to hold a position on the school board?

I have a deep and continuing interest in the administration of the school system from having children in it. Also as a member of the Board of Equalization I have the needed knowledge of the revenue needs of the system and the taxpayers' ability to pay. I also have experience in areas of civic service.

What do you consider to be the highest priorities of the board?

Right now fiscal responsibility. We are in need of fiscal assistance to improve our vocational facilities, which are primarily for the students who are not going to college. We also need to improve some of our existing facilities.

Are you in favor of the April 3rd bond issue? What objections, if any, do you have to it?

I have taken a position of not supporting the bond issue. The reason is that the voters want the priorities to be established. We do need fiscal assistance, but I really feel like some of the facilities included on the bond issue are not really what we need right now.

Would you support another election if this one fails?

Yes, in fact that is why I got into the race. I feel like there are many people who see the need for certain facilities, but place less importance on some others that are in this program.

Should the curriculum be expanded on both the elementary and secondary levels? What courses should be included?

I feel we need more vocational courses right now. Our system is geared to the college bound student, but many of our students are not going to attend college and I feel we

should have more programs for kids.

In what cases should corporal punishment be used?

My total reaction to corporal punishment is that while the discipline is the right and responsible school. We entrust our children to the school and until we have gone beyond what is reasonable it is part of their job to keep them in order.

Is there a drug problem in this district? If so, what corrective measures should be taken?

Any use of drugs or alcohol in schools is a problem. I like to see the problem is not as widespread here as in some other areas. The way to really handle the problem is through education.

Have you been satisfied with the performance of the current school board?

I think they have done very well. If there is anything lacking it is the fact that they have not concentrated on running the schools in a more businesslike manner. We need to have the funds for the things that provide a good education for all students.

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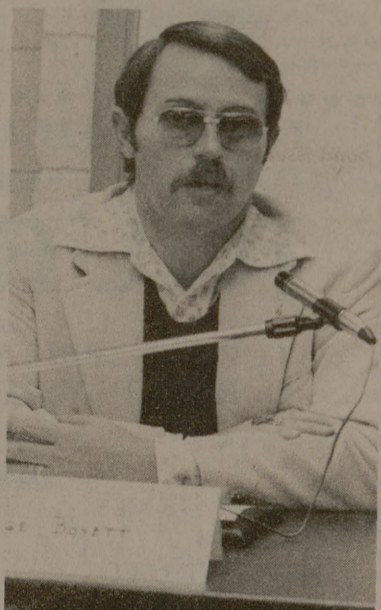


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George Boyett

George Boyett, 41, 702 Lee, self-employed in rental property investments. Member of Planning and Zoning Commission, school district's Board of Equalization.



George Boyett

Why do you think you're qualified to hold a position on the school board?

I am a registered voter and that is the only requirement necessary to run for a position. I have three children in the local schools in kindergarten to the sixth grade. I have a vested interest in their education and well-being as well as for the children of others. With a building construction and business background, I feel that I can serve the board in an effective manner.

What do you consider to be the highest priorities of the board?

The bond issues should be the top priority. Administering the sale of the bonds as well as getting the best professionals to handle the job should also be considered as priorities.

Are you in favor of the April 3rd bond issue? What objections do you have, if any?

No, I'm not. The bond issue as it stands is a single issue and does not offer an opportunity for selecting which issue one favors most. All people do not have the same opinion. The fact that the recent bond

issue failed proves to me that I wanted another issue, a choice. The situation as it does not offer the voter a choice. That is the voter's right—choice.

Would you support another election if this one fails?

Yes. Another one should be posed as soon as possible. It would be more palatable to the public one fails. I am in favor of the judicious application of the bonds should be sold to create an undue tax burden should try to get their dollars for the dollars spent.

Should the curriculum be expanded on both the elementary and secondary levels? What courses should be included?

The present curriculum has expanded to the point that class attendance is down. Though classrooms appear over-crowded they are actually examples of per utilization of space.

In what cases should corporal punishment be used?

Corporal punishment should be used only if it adequately punishes offense. Punishment should be constructive. It should offer an alternative between the punishment and other constructive means. There should be more intense punishment when a more intense punishment is used.

Is there a drug problem in this district? If so, what corrective measures should be taken?

I am not advised in this. The local police are genuinely concerned about the drug problem, therefore so am I.

Have you been satisfied with the performance of the current school board?

No. The board is elected and someone does not agree with the board is doing, then they go to the meetings and voice protest. Another alternative is running for office, which is what I am doing.

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