Board Meeting
HIGHLIGHTS

Board Meeting "A" held on Dec. 9, 2013 at 406 Barrera St., San Antonio, Tx. 78210
Board Meeting "B" held Dec. 16, 2013 at 406 Barrera St., San Antonio, Tx. 78210

Board Approves MLK Resolution

Trustees approved a Resolution in support of the MLK Holiday 2014. In January 2014, the San Antonio MLK Commission marks the 27th celebration of MLK Day. The March and other celebratory events are scheduled on Monday, January 20, 2014.

Go Public Campaign Update

The Board received an update on the Go Public Campaign by Bobby Blount, President of the Bexar County School Board Coalition. Bexar County's 15 school districts have united behind the Go Public Campaign to stress the benefits of traditional public schools. Go Public will use social media outreach along with TV and radio ads to promote its positive message. The campaign will focus on key strengths for public schools which include strong communities, engaging teachers, academic rigor, diversity, active learning and extracurricular activities. Go Public is co-chaired by Josue Robles, CEO of USAA, Kim Bowers, CEO of CST Brands and Chris Nielsen, President of Toyota Motor Manufacturing Texas.

San Antonio Youth Literacy Presentation

Trustees received a presentation by San Antonio Youth Literacy (SAYL), a partner with SAISD since 2002. Christina Martinez, Executive Director for SAYL, reported that the SAYL Reading Buddies program provides one-on-one reading assistance to elementary children in order to increase the number of children reading on grade level. SAYL Reading Buddies serve 42 SAISD elementary schools. SAYL's largest school district partner is SAISD. SAYL's role is to take community members who have a desire to help and put them into schools with the Reading Buddy program.

Digital Food Imaging Analysis Project Update

Dr. Roberto Treviño from the Social & Health Research Center (SHRC) provided the Board with an update on the Digital Food Imaging Analysis (DFIA) project, a four-year research grant from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). The study is being conducted at Graebner, Franklin and Woodlawn Hills elementary schools. The recent studies showed that children are leaving on their trays fruits, vegetables and milk. According to the report, poor nutrition increases obesity. Obese children suffer from learning disabilities due to self esteem and emotional problems. The study suggested that child nutrition must improve in order to decrease obesity and unhealthy behaviors. The next phase of the study will implement parent involvement.

Budget Enhancement Requests Approved

Trustees approved the budget enhancement requests for 2013-2014. The 2013-2014 General Fund budget was approved by the Board on June 24, 2013. At that time, the approval of budget enhancements was postponed for consideration by the Board for a future date. Subsequently, on Sept. 23, 2013, the Board approved $1.7 million of budget enhancements. On Dec. 16, 2013, Trustees approved $1.8 million of budget enhancements.

Lease Agreements, Expenditures for Adult Education Approved

Trustees approved to authorize the Superintendent to negotiate and execute short term rental agreements with the City of San Antonio for the Billa and Huantes learning centers and other sites as needed to allow SAISD to continue with Adult Education instruction and programming through June 30, 2014. The preliminary agreement includes minimal rent with the District accepting responsibility for maintenance and utilities. The Board also authorized necessary expenditures to relocate, renovate space, provide technology, furniture, and other operating expenses to ensure that the District is able to continue to provide these valuable adult education classes within our communities through the close of the 2013-14 school year. An estimate for required expenditures is being developed to continue operations through June 30, 2014.

Bond Update

The Board received an update on the Bond 2010 implementation plan. Kamal ElHabr, SAISD Associate Superintendent of Facilities Services, reported on the internal projects, including security video surveillance installation in progress at 11 campuses; career exploration labs for Harris and Whittier middle schools in design phase; a new transportation facility in the property platting process and impact analysis phase; Alamo Stadium's infrastructure for the gym and new construction at 90 percent complete and the stadium and field work at 60 percent complete. The Munoz-Jacobs team reported that 80 percent of external bond projects will be complete by January 2015 and all projects, except Highlands HS, will be finished by the five year goal.

Level IV Grievance Appeal of SA Youth

Trustees voted to uphold the termination of the lease with SA Youth with the following conditions: SA Youth vacate the premises not later than June 1, 2014 with the exception of the kitchen which must be vacated by July 31, 2014. And further, that during occupation of the premises, San Antonio Youth will be required to pay all utility costs. Otherwise, the grievance is denied.

Board of Trustee Committee Reports

Trustee Patti Radle gave an update on the Academic Excellence Committee. Trustee Debra Guerrero provided an update on the Budget, Finance and Audit Committee.

Items Approved

- Authorize the Superintendent to provide payment to ECAG for the use of Wheatley Heights Sports Complex.
- Not-To-Exceed Allowance for Change Orders for Closeout Items at Cameron ES Under the 2010 Bond Program.
- Change Order One for Ornamental Site Fencing for Cameron ES Under the 2010 Bond Program.

- San Antonio Water System (SAWS) easement at South Presa property.

Bids, Proposals and Purchases for Goods Approved Included:

- Purchase of Voice and Data Network Cabling Services, including repairs and equipment installation, on an "as needed" basis in support of the SAISD Bond Campuses and Administrative Offices.
- Additional funding for an 8 month extension of a leasing agreement for five (5) temporary Portable Buildings in support of Rogers ES.
- Purchase of Promethean ActivBoards (Qty: 15), including three (3) year warranty, in support of students in grades 9th – 12th at Sam Houston HS.
- Purchase of F150 Super Crew Cab Truck (Qty: 1), F250 Reg Cab Truck (Qty: 2), E250 Cargo Vans (Qty: 4), F550 Stake Body Truck (Qty: 1), F150 Reg Cab Truck (Qty: 2), F750 Water Truck (Qty: 1) and Paver (Qty: 1) in support of operations District-wide.
- Purchase of Smartnet Maintenance Services in support of the District's existing communication equipment, including Firewall, VOIP and Network Control System (NCS) Wireless Configuration Equipment.

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