



# Board Meeting

## H I G H L I G H T S

Board meeting held on May 17, 2010 at Hirsch ES, 4826 Sea Breeze Dr.,  
San Antonio, TX 78220

### Report on SAISD Academic Plan

Betty Burks, Deputy Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, presented a report on the SAISD Academic Plan. The plan includes three primary goals to reach by 2011: Student Achievement (all SAISD campuses will be Recognized or Exemplary), Increase Graduates (all students who graduate will be prepared for college and/or careers) and Reduce Dropouts (less than 2 percent of SAISD students will drop out of school annually).

### Board names Chairman of Community-Based Committee

The Board approved the naming of Mike Villarreal (Texas Representative) as Chairman of the community-based committee for the first phase of the implementation of the Long-Range Strategic Restructuring Plan. The committee is to provide input and recommendations towards a possible November 2010 bond election. The first phase of the plan includes the eventual consolidation of six of the District's 91 schools (estimated to occur in the 2013-14 school year), extensive renovations to 15 schools, security, safety and technology improvements to all schools.

### Recognitions & Presentations

- The Board recognized the music program at Jefferson High School, national recipient of the Grammy Foundation 2010 Enterprise Award.
- Trustees recognized San Antonio ISD campuses for earning the Distinction of Distinguished Performance or Distinguished Progress through the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Division of the Texas Education Agency. Distinguished Performance campuses are Arnold, Baskin, Margil, Neal and Steele elementary schools and Hawthorne Academy. Distinguished Progress campuses are Briscoe Academy and Wilson ES.
- The Board recognized Dr. Roxanne Rosales, Senior Director of Academic Support, for her role as a founding Member of the Alamo Area Academies.

### Travis Early College High School Presentation

Principal Dawn Parker provided an update on Travis Early College High School, which opened with 118 9<sup>th</sup> graders in the 2008-2009 school year. Travis was developed to provide at-risk students with an opportunity to earn a High School distinguished Diploma while completing up to 60 College Credits and/or an Associate's Degree. Currently, there are 208 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders enrolled, with another 93 students to begin classes in the fall. Nearly two dozen Travis ECHS students were inducted this year into Phi Theta Kappa, the two-year college international honor society.

## School Health Program Update

Dr. Roberto Trevino of the Social & Health Research Center provided a report study of the Bienestar/NEEMA and HEALTHY Coordinated School Health Programs which have been approved by TEA for K-8<sup>th</sup> grades. The program consists of four components: a health curriculum, a school cafeteria program, an after school health club, and a parent program. Rigorous studies have proven that child health programs work to combat obesity. The report included a combination of studies from area school districts including six middle schools from SAISD.

## Contracts Approved

- The Board approved a contract with Garza/Gonzalez and Associates to conduct the Annual Audit Services for Fiscal Year Ending August 31, 2010 and for the review of GASB 34 financial statements.
- The Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding between San Antonio ISD and the University of Texas at San Antonio for the Prefreshman Engineering Program (PREP) for the summer 2010. The PREP program is a four-year summer program that features a series of courses to promote a consistent emphasis on problem solving, critical thinking skills and innovative mathematical applications.
- The Board approved the renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding for the Students Partnering for Undergraduate Rhetoric Success (the SPURS Program) with the University of Texas at Austin for the 2010-2011 school year and for the SPURS Professional Development Series for AP English/Language Arts teachers.

## Board Approves Application for PE3 Course to TEA

Trustees approved the application of a new innovative course, PE3, to Texas Education Agency. TEA requested school districts in the state to submit new innovative courses for High School Physical Education and Health, due to the elimination of the two high school credits for graduation in House Bill 3. The title of the course is PE3: for the Mind, Body and Spirit. TEA approved the application April 12, 2010.

## Trustees Support Music Production Level II Course to TEA

The Board approved the submission of a new innovative course, Music Production Level II, for state elective credit as required by Texas Education Agency. The level II course will focus on the fundamentals of music production and recording with an emphasis on hard-disc recording utilizing industry standard hardware and software. The course extends core curricular knowledge in mathematics, English, music and computer science to prepare students for real world applications useful in audio engineering and sound arts.

## Facilities Approvals

The Board approved:

- Contract for Re-roofing at Burbank and Highlands High Schools
- Contract for Roofing Upgrades at Martin Luther King Academy

## Policy Revisions Approved

The Board approved policy revisions. Update 86 requires changes to the following policies: CH (LOCAL) and CV (LOCAL).

## Rental Usage Agreements approved

- Sports Complex for First Look Baseball tournament for each weekend in June, July and first weekend in August.
- Alamo Convocation Center for B.R.E.A.D. Magazine/Power to Assist Ministries Sept. 15, 2010 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. (Battle of Bands and Step Show). Also, Alamo Stadium on Sept. 16, 2010 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. (Prairie View A&M and Alabama State football game).

## Bids, proposals and purchases for goods approved included:

- Purchase of Basketball Supplies and Equipment in support of athletes participating in extracurricular activities at eight (8) high schools, sixteen (16) middle schools and the Young Women's Leadership Academy (YWLA).
- Purchase of Volleyball Supplies and Equipment in support of athletes participating in extracurricular activities at eight (8) high schools, sixteen (16) middle schools and the Young Women's Leadership Academy (YWLA).
- Purchase of Target Math and Reading Intervention Teacher Kits for all campuses and eligible students in grades 3-8<sup>th</sup> to be used during the Summer Academy.
- Purchase of Materials and Supplies including limestone, asphalt, concrete, irrigation and electrical supplies for the installation of a new parking lot at Margil Elementary School.
- Purchase of Uniforms and Shoes in support of all Food and Child Nutrition Service employees.
- Purchase of Do The Math Program Instructional Materials for special education students in support of elementary and middle schools to be piloted during Summer School.
- Purchase of Promethean Wall-Mounted Electronic Whiteboards with LCD Projectors (30), and Promethean ActiView Document Viewing Cameras (30) in support of 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students at Fox Tech and Jefferson High Schools to be used in all Math and Science classrooms.
- Renewal for the purchase of Child Care Services in support of all middle and high school teen parents with young children necessary to access child care facilities in the vicinity of their home and/or school during the 2010-2011 school year.

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