



# Board Meeting

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

Board meeting held on May 26, 2009 at David G. Burnet Center  
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### Board recognizes outgoing Members for outstanding service to SAISD

Prior to the start of the Board meeting, a short reception was held for outgoing Board Members to honor their commitment and dedication to the District. Honored were: Doug Sellers, Eliseo Cadena, and Angie Ruiz.

### Special Recognitions and Honors

The Board of Trustees made several recognitions:

- Lanier HS State Champions Gold Medal Special Olympians
  - Students from Sidney Lanier HS participated in the Special Olympics Texas 2008 Summer Games. Four students were recognized as State Champions for 3-on-3 Basketball and received Gold Medals for their outstanding achievement in this event.
- 2008-09 Budget receives two awards for the Finance Department
  - The Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) and Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) both awarded SAISD with an award for the 2008-09 Budget. These awards reflect the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principals of governmental budgeting.
- National Police Week and Sgt. William Maldonado Memorial Observance Day
  - The Board approved a resolution to officially recognize National Police Week and Sgt. William “Bill” Maldonado Memorial Observance Day in SAISD on May 27, 2009. This day will mark the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Sgt. Maldonado who died in the line of duty.
- Naming the Lanier HS center court in honor of the late Coach “Nemo” Herrera
  - Coach William Carson “Nemo” Herrera led the Lanier Voks ’43 and ’45 Boys Basketball teams to state championships. To honor Coach Herrera, the Board approved the placement of a permanent plaque and lettering at the entrance to the court and on the court itself of the Lanier Alumni gym. The cost for the project is being funded totally by contributions from the Lanier Alumni and its many friends and family.

### “College for Kids” Program

The Board approved a memorandum of understanding between San Antonio College (SAC) and SAISD to pilot a program called College for Kids. This grant-funded four-week program is scheduled to take place both this summer and in summer of 2010, and will allow at-risk 7<sup>th</sup> grade students to attend summer classes in reading, math and science at SAC. Students chosen to participate will receive transportation, lunch and all necessary materials.

## Long Range Facilities Planning

Trustees made the decision to hold one or more work sessions to gather further information on the facilities planning process and the committee's proposal. The Trustees will also look at adding more criteria to the decision process and increasing the number of members of the community-based committee, working toward taking a modified proposal, together with the committee, to the community for input.

## Board Policy Changes and Adoptions

- The Board adopted policy FNCE (LOCAL) which allows for the confiscation and disposal of telecommunications devices, including mobile phones that are used in violation of applicable campus rules.
- The Board adopted an amendment to Local Policy BBE entitled Board Members Authority, adding that at the Board's discretion and direction, the Board will solicit input from the affected community, prior to exercising its authority under this local policy.

## The Board approved purchase orders including the following:

- Bags, jerseys, socks, uniforms and balls for eight high schools and 16 middle schools to participate in extracurricular sports and activities.
- Demolition and replacement of gym wood flooring at Burbank HS, Whittier Academy and the Alamo Convention Center
- Renewal of Library Books, Paperback Books, Pre-bound Paperback Books, and Pre-bound Library Books for all students District-wide
- Food and Child Nutrition Services will purchase items such as meat, cheese, frozen eggs, cleaning products, paper goods and beverages and cleaning materials for the next school year.
- Consulting services to provide professional development and course materials for 120 teachers for Grade K-2, 3-5 and 6-8 District-wide to increase their knowledge in the area of integrating writing into the mathematics curriculum.
- Consulting services to provide professional development in support of 25-30 Principals and Administrators to increase rigor in Pre-AP/AP classrooms and improve student's college readiness skills. These services will concentrate on neuroscience and creativity for the design and delivery of lessons incorporating novelty and exploration in science, math, history, and art.

## Facilities

Trustees approved the following:

- Use of Alamo Stadium on June 18<sup>th</sup> for the Aaron Ross Cheer Camp and use of the Sports Complex on June 19<sup>th</sup> for the Aaron Ross Football Camp.

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