



Board Meeting

H I G H L I G H T S

Board meeting held on January 17, 2012
at David G. Burnet Center, 406 Barrera St., San Antonio, TX 78210

Trustees Approve Procedure for Filling District 3 Board Vacancy

Trustee Carlos Villarreal read his letter of resignation, which was approved by the School Board. Mr. Villarreal, who has served on the Board since 2004, will resign effective Jan. 31, 2012. The Board then approved a procedure for filling the vacancy of District 3. The Board chose a three week processing period to review applicants for the Trustee opening. The filing period was set for Jan. 18 through Feb. 10, 2012. Candidates will be interviewed by School Board members on Monday, Feb. 13, and if necessary, Monday, Feb. 20. Board members will approve the candidate of their choice at the Feb. 20, 2012 Board Meeting. The person selected will serve the unexpired District 3 term that runs until May 2013 when elections will be held.

Recognitions

- The Board approved the Resolution in Recognition of School Counseling Week for February 6 – 10, 2012. National School Counseling Week focuses public attention on the tremendous impact that counselors have in helping students achieve school success and maximize the academic, career, personal and social development of all students.

Impact of Texas Education Code on Students' Graduation Presentation

Trustees were given a presentation on the impact of Texas Education Code (TEC) 39.025 on SAISD students' graduation. The State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness, STAAR, will replace the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) program beginning in spring 2012. TEC 39.025 specifies that STAAR End of Course (EOC) assessments be used as the graduation requirement starting with students first enrolled in grade 9 in the 2011 – 2012 school year. EOC exam grades will now count 15 percent on a student's total final grade course work.

Board Approves Master Plan for Jefferson HS Bond 2010 Project

Trustees approved moving forward with the design for the master plan and scope prioritization for the Jefferson High School Bond 2010 project. When the schematic design is completed, it will come to the Board for approval. The master plan will be submitted to the Historic Design Review Commission. Priorities for the master plan must fit within the bond budget in order to be completed. The plan will be sensitive to the historic content of the school and includes designs for campus drainage, science lab renovations, structural foundation repairs, site improvements, land acquisition, gymnasium interior historic restoration, science magnet addition, new spirit group practice studio, classroom addition, tennis court resurfacing, and interior historic restoration.

Update on Bond 2010 Implementation Plan

The Board received an update on the Bond 2010 Implementation Plan by Kamal ElHabr, SAISD Associate Superintendent of Facilities Services, and Henry Munoz of the Munoz-Jacobs Consortium. Mr. ElHabr reported on the progress of internal District management projects, including the resurfacing of tracks at Brackenridge and Lanier high schools, which will be stopped for soccer season in January and will resume in May. The Jefferson HS track will also begin construction in May. Additional progress included: security fencing complete or substantially complete at 16 schools and proposals are being evaluated for seven campuses; key-card access system installations in progress for 10 schools and complete or substantially complete at 25 of 68 schools; proposal in progress for security cameras for bid packages of schools not receiving major construction; architect has identified locations for new Career Exploration Labs at Irving, Rogers, Tafolla and Twain middle schools and schematic design drawings are in progress; programming and preliminary design are in progress for transportation facilities; and Alamo Stadium and the Convocation Center is currently conducting programming, re-prioritization of scope of work and project management support negotiations. The District's external team presented a one year report that indicated that all bond projects are being completed on time and on budget for schools. Most projects are in the programming stage and some projects are moving into schematic design and design development area. Construction is underway for one project, the Hillcrest ES kitchen. The external team also reported that they are now entering the second phase of the bond project of securing construction companies for project sites.

Bond 2010 Citizens Oversight Committee Update

Trustees received an update on the Citizens Oversight Committee (COC) from Chairman Mario Barrera. Mr. Barrera said the committee members would like better details on bond projects in order to provide appropriate feedback to the Board on bond projects. Mr. Barrera offered a re-commitment to the School Board in moving forward as the Chair of the COC and helping to support a successful bond implementation.

Board Approves Resolution for Expenditure of Bond Funds

The Board approved a Resolution submitted by Olga Hernandez and Ruben Cuero to establish the appropriate parameters for the expenditure of Bond funds among Bond projects. The resolution re-commits to the following four items: that no funds for school related projects from Bond 2010 will be transferred to Alamo Stadium or the Convocation Center; in the event that any school related projects are completed at a cost below the established budget, staff and project manager will allocate excess funds to any school related projects from Bond 2010; allocate unspent 2010 Bond proceeds to other campuses in the 2010 Bond Program upon and only upon School Board approval; and remove from Board consideration the "statement of interest" proposal submitted by the Spurs Sports and Entertainment (SS&E) for the use of Alamo Stadium.

Board of Trustee Sub-committee Reports

The Board Sub-committee Chairs provided update reports. President Ed Garza, chair for the Internal Audit Sub-committee, provided an update on an internal audit. Vice-president Ruben Cuero, chair for the Board and Superintendent Goals Sub-committee, provided an update on the

process of evaluating the Superintendent. Board Secretary Olga Hernandez, chair of the Board Bond Sub-committee, said that the committee will review schematic design information.

Items Approved

- The 2011-2012 District Improvement Plan (DIP). The purpose of the DIP is to guide District and campus staff in the improvement of student performance for all student groups in order to attain state standards with respect to academic excellence.
- Texas Education Agency (TEA) innovative high school course, College Transitions for implementation in the 2012-2013 school year.
- The District's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2011.
- The Fund Balance for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2011, as required by GASB Statement No. 54.
- The Amended Budget report for January 2012. This report provides a one-page summary of the budget amendment impact on the 2010-2011 original budget adopted by the Board for the General Fund, Food Service Fund, and Debt Service Fund.
- The purchase of property located at 114 Cedar Street in San Antonio, Texas. The approval authorizes the superintendent to execute agreements regarding this acquisition. The purchase of this property will be utilized in the expansion of Bonham Academy, which is part of the Bond 2010 Program.
- The schematic designs for Cameron and Ogden elementary schools Bond 2010 projects.

Contracts Approved

- Memorandum of Understanding between SAISD and Reasoning Mind, to implement the Reasoning Mind Online Learning and Professional Development Pilot program, a TEA-funded program.

Rental Usage Agreements Approved

- Alamo Stadium for Sip It Company on Saturday, Feb. 25, 2012 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for the purpose of setting a new Guinness World Record for the "World's Largest Heart!"
- Sports Complex Softball Triplex Fields for St. Mary's University from Thursday, Feb. 2, 2012 to Saturday, Feb. 4, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day for their 8th Annual NCAA Division II Softball Tournament.

Policy Revisions Approved

- Policy revisions of CQ (LOCAL), FNC (LOCAL), FNCE (LOCAL), FMH (LOCAL), and EFE (LOCAL) – relates to TASB's recommendations of Technology Resources, Student Rights and Responsibilities, Student Conduct, and Student Activities. Approval of new policy CY (LOCAL) – relates to copyrights.
- Policy revision of CDA (LOCAL) – relates to investing in corporate bonds.

Bids, Proposals and Purchases for Goods Approved Included:

- Purchase of iMacs (Qty: 140), and Macbooks Computers (Qty: 2) for use in career and technical labs. This award will support students in grades 9th – 12th providing access to online resources, such as curriculum, industry exams and software.
- Purchase of Penn-Foster On-line Web Based High School Courses designed for credit acceleration and recovery in support of students in 9th – 12th grade attending Cooper Academy and Satellite locations.
- Renewal Purchase of Employee Benefits and Insurance Consulting Services to primarily assist with the evaluation/analysis of current and future benefit programs, conduct actuarial analysis, and maintain compliance with all local, state and federal legislative mandates and other related services.
- Purchase to increase funding for 60 additional coaching days in support of Campus Administrators at Connell, Page, Rogers, and Twain Middle School and the Mathematics Department through the MathForward Program.

Items Tabled

- Redistricting Services Based on the 2010 Census
- Additional Services Proposal for First Southwest Company and Cabrera Capital Markets
- Student Attendance Incentive
- Project Management Services for Alamo Stadium and Convocation Center

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