



Board Meeting

H I G H L I G H T S

Board meeting held on February 20, 2012
at David G. Burnet Center, 406 Barrera St., San Antonio, TX 78210

Board Approves Superintendent Resignation

The Board approved the voluntary separation agreement of Superintendent Dr. Robert Durón. Dr. Durón's resignation as superintendent is effective the first day an interim superintendent is in place at the District. Once a successor is named, Dr. Durón will remain an employee of the District until February 15, 2013, or earlier if he begins full time employment elsewhere, in the position of Executive Director for Research and Special Projects, reporting to the Board president and new superintendent. The Board will now move forward in selecting an interim superintendent, and will determine the process for the search for a new superintendent.

Trustees Approve District 3 Board Vacancy

Trustees approved the appointment of Debra Guerrero to fill the vacancy for Single Member District 3 for the unexpired term of office for Carlos Villarreal. Ms. Guerrero, a former councilwoman for the City of San Antonio, will serve the term until May 2013 when elections will be held. Guerrero was sworn into office by Carmen Vasquez-Gonzalez, SAISD Executive Director of Government and Community Relations.

Recognitions

- The Board recognized the Thomas Jefferson Cheerleaders for placing 3rd at the National Cheerleaders Association (NCA) High School National Championship.
- Trustees recognized Sam Wolf, former SAISD Police Chief. Mr. Wolf, now 90 years old, worked for SAISD for 38 years. Mr. Wolf developed SAISD security and safety programs which led to the current SAISD Police Department.
- The Board proclaimed Friday, March 2, 2012 as Read Across America Day in SAISD. The celebration began in 1998 as a way to promote reading while celebrating Theodor Geisel's (Dr. Seuss) birthday on March 2.

Board Approves Bond Bid Packages

Trustees approved three construction managers at risk for the initial bid packages of Bond 2010. They are as follows: Bid Package No. 1 (Brackenridge, Burbank and Lanier) to Guido Sundt JV; Bid Package No. 2 (Highlands and Houston) to Joeris General Contracting, Ltd.; and Bid Package No. 3 (Edison, Jefferson and Longfellow) Turner-Sabina JV. Tabulation of the scoring results for the bid packages was considered.

Trustees Approve Schematic Designs for Schools

The Board approved the schematic designs for Edison HS, Japhet, Rogers, Fenwick, Hirsch, and Sarah King elementary schools Bond 2010 projects. The designs have been presented to the applicable single member district Board of Trustees, school principals, and the SAISD Bond Sub-committee. The designs include the anticipated schedule and budget for the completed designs.

Update on Bond 2010 Implementation Plan

The Board received an update and discussed the Bond 2010 Implementation Plan which included commissioning services, Building Information Modeling (BIM), additional support services for Alamo Stadium/Convocation Center renovations and other related matters. Kamal ElHabr, SAISD Associate Superintendent of Facilities Services, and Henry Munoz of the Munoz-Jacobs Consortium, provided the presentation. Mr. ElHabr reported on the progress of internal District management projects, including the resurfacing of tracks at Brackenridge, Lanier and Jefferson high schools, which will happen in May due to the current soccer season. Additional progress included: playground equipment for 13 schools will be installed once the completion of major construction ends; bidding of contractor for security fencing at 16 schools is ongoing; key-card access system installations complete or substantially complete at 28 of 68 schools; proposal is in progress of security cameras for bid packages of schools not receiving major construction; technology equipment installation is complete at 68 of 68 schools; demolition by in-house staff is in progress at Tafolla MS for a new Career Exploration Lab; programming and preliminary design are in progress for transportation facilities; and Alamo Stadium and the Convocation Center is currently in the schematic design phase and studying proposals for minimal demolition of seating, and design of a press box that meets ADA requirements. Mr. ElHabr also pointed out that construction for Alamo Stadium would happen at the end of the 2012 football season. The 2013 football season would be played at a different site due to stadium construction. The District's external team reported that meetings for six schools now in the schematic design phase would be scheduled. Members of the Citizens Oversight Committee (COC) were invited to attend. The external team said that the bond project is moving into the design and development phase and that projects are within their allotted budget.

Board Approves Head Start Agreement with City of SA

The Board approved SAISD continuing its partnership with the City of San Antonio to provide Head Start services to 3 and 4 year old students. Health and Human Services (HHS) requires competition for the Head Start program with San Antonio and Bexar County. The City will compete for the Head Start grant with SAISD and one other school district as their partners. This agreement allows the City to proceed with the writing of the Head Start competitive proposal which will include five years of Head Start services.

Fox Tech Magnet Programs Presentation

Trustees received a presentation from Dr. Carlos Orozco on the current magnet programs at Fox Tech High School and the future of the school. Dr. Orozco presented information on the Health Career and Law magnets at the school. All Magnet students take rigorous college prep courses, which include Pre-AP, Advanced Placement and Dual Credit courses. In addition to the core curriculum, students in the Magnet programs take specialized classes in Health Science or

Government and Public Administration. Field experiences include students having opportunities to participate in law and health related clubs, summer campus, internships and mentor programs.

Eastside Promise Neighborhood (EPN) Grant Presentation

The Board received a presentation by United Way of San Antonio and Bexar County on the recently-awarded grant of \$23.7 million in federal funds from the Department of Education to implement the Eastside Promise Neighborhood (EPN) initiative. The purpose of the grant is to create cradle to college to career pathways for students and families within the EPN boundary.

Update on Travis Early College High School

The Board received an update on Travis Early College High School from principal Orlando Vera. In 2007, SAISD entered into an agreement with San Antonio College for the purpose of developing Travis Early College High School. In the 2008 – 2009 school year, Travis opened to approximately 118 students in 9th grade and added one grade level each year. The first graduating class will be in 2012. Presently, there are 92 freshman, 94 sophomores, 77 juniors and 88 seniors, total enrollment of 351 students. Mr. Vera indicated that 51 of 88 seniors are on target to receive an Associate's Degree from San Antonio College. And 81 of 88 seniors have received letters of acceptance to 4-year universities.

SAISD Internal Charters Update

Trustees received an update on the following internal charter schools – Highland Park Elementary School, Rhodes Middle School and Travis Early College HS. Principals from each school addressed the Board on the success of students and staff. The schools were recognized for their overall strong academic and curriculum performance.

Byron Martin Advanced Technology Center Presentation

The Board received a presentation from Superintendent Robert Durón on a recent SAISD visit to the Byron Martin Advanced Technology Center (ATC) in Lubbock, Texas. Board President Ed Garza, Trustee Patti Radle and Dr. Durón attended. The ATC, which opened in August in 1997, offers classes for the students of Lubbock ISD's four high schools. The ATC houses a number of computer labs and trade and industry labs with advanced computing, multimedia and production capabilities.

Board of Trustee Sub-committee Reports

Dr. Anthony Mitchell, Director of Internal Auditing, provided an audit status report at the request of the Board Internal Audit Sub-committee. Assistant Secretary Adela Segovia, Chair of the Board Special Education Sub-committee, reported on a recent meeting of the Sub-committee.

Items Approved

- The sale of property: 4.51 acres of vacant real property located on Lot 1, Block 1, New City block 6801, in San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas between Thompson Place and Calle Del Sol adjacent to General Hudnell Drive.
- Redistricting Services based on the 2010 Census for SAISD's single-member districts for the Board of Trustees. Powell & Leon, LLP of Austin was selected to provide redistricting services.

- The 2011-2012 list of certified appraisers which identify individuals who serve as appraisers for teachers.

Contracts Approved

- GEAR UP 2 Contract with Harlandale ISD. SAISD was awarded a 7 year grant in the amount of \$27,107,137 through the Gaining Early Awareness & Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) which includes an allocation of \$800,000 for Harlandale ISD to provide GEAR UP services from Sept. 26, 2011 to Sept. 25, 2012.
- Head Start Contract (Feb. 1, 2012 – Jan. 31, 2013) between SAISD and the City of San Antonio. The contract provides Head Start services to 2,625 children and families residing within the SAISD boundary, in the City of San Antonio and Bexar County.

Rental Usage Agreements Approved

- Sports Complex for First Look Baseball on: June 2-3, 8-9-10, 15-16-17, 29-30-July1; July 6-7-8, 13-14-15, 20-21-22, 27-28-29; and August 3-4-5, 2012, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. to host baseball tournaments.

Bids, Proposals and Purchases for Goods Approved Included:

- Purchase of Track Equipment for use at Burbank, Edison, Highlands, and Sam Houston high schools.
- Additional funding for purchase of GPS Attendance Monitoring Devices and Coaching Services to assist trained counselors in encouraging an additional 405 at-risk students in grades 7-12 to improve attendance and reduce truancy.
- Purchase of Security Fencing and Installation Services in support of 2010 bond projects at seven Pre-K through 8th grade campuses.
- Purchase of Netbooks (Qty: 136) in support of students in grades 9th – 12th to create student publications and conduct research in each core area.
- Purchase of Playground Equipment and Rubber Surfacing in support of students in grades K – 5th to increase student activity.
- Purchase of F150 Trucks (Qty: 5); F150 Crew Cab Truck (Qty: 1); F350 Utility Trucks (Qty: 2) F250 Truck (Qty: 1); Super Duty Regular Cab Truck (Qty: 1); E250 Cargo Van (Qty: 1) and E350 12 Passenger Vans (Qty: 2).
- Additional funding for purchase of Speech/Language therapy Services for District-wide use on an “as needed” basis during the 2011-2012 school year.
- Purchase of Local Telephone Services (E-Rate) in support of all schools and departments District-wide.
- Purchase of Wide Area Network Circuits (E-Rate) in support of all schools and departments District-wide.
- Purchase of Wireless connectivity (E-Rate) including installation and management services in support of 23 elementary schools, two academies, four early childhood centers, and one early college high school.
- Purchase of Voice Over Internet Protocol Telephone System (E-Rate), including installation and end user training, in support of 23 elementary schools, two academies, four early childhood centers, and one early college high school.

- Purchase of Network Cabling (E-Rate) including removal of current network cabling and installation of Category 6 cabling and fiber in support of 23 elementary schools, two academies, four early childhood centers, and one early college high school.
- Purchase of Lift Equipped School buses (Qty: 6) in support of Special Education students providing a capacity of up to 20 walk-on passengers and 5 wheel chairs.

Items Tabled

- Appointment of Member to SAISD Bond Citizens Oversight Committee
- Early Separation Notice Incentive for Spring 2012

For a complete list, please visit www.saisd.net

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