



# Board Meeting

## HIGHLIGHTS

Board Meeting A held on Nov. 12, 2018 at 406 Barrera St., San Antonio, Tx. 78210

### Recognitions & Resolutions

- Trustees recognized the Psi Alpha Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity for their continued support of SAISD students and for their work within the SAISD community. The Psi Alpha Chapter is a San Antonio-based chapter of the national Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. Psi Alpha Chapter was founded in the 1940s by eight young African-American men. The Chapter's mission was to bring about the union of college men through scholarship and manhood in order to stimulate the attainment and ambitions of its members. The Psi Alpha Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity established a mentoring program at Carroll Elementary School in the 1990s. The campus was named after one of the late Omega Psi Phi fraternity brothers, Henry Carroll, who was a long time educator in SAISD. Since that time, the Psi Alpha Chapter has mentored and volunteered in various SAISD campuses including Cameron Elementary School, Gates Elementary School, Davis Middle School, Wheatley Middle School, Young Men's Leadership Academy (YMLA), and Sam Houston High School. This past year, the Psi Alpha Chapter started a new mentoring program at Sam Houston High School that provided a day of informative sessions to its mentees. Some of the session topics were as follows: mentoring guidelines, future educational goals, establishing a 10-year plan, developing students' leadership styles, money-management, literacy, manhood, perseverance, college prep, entrepreneurship, and nutrition. The purpose of this event was to establish a foundation of trust, accountability, and responsibility between mentees and mentors. To date, the Psi Alpha Chapter has mentored hundreds of young men throughout SAISD.
- The Board recognized the Financial Services Department for the following national awards that were received during the 2017-2018 school year:
  - ✓ Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting presented by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for the FYE 6-30-17
  - ✓ Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting presented by the Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) for the FYE 6-30-17
  - ✓ Meritorious Budget Award presented by the Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) for Budget Year 2017-2018

### Schematic Design for New SAISD Administration Building Presentation

Trustees received a presentation from Willie Burroughs, the District's Chief Operations Officer, district staff and RVK Architects on the site plans, building interiors, and exteriors of the new SAISD Administration Building. Community and stakeholders input was received on the site planning for this project, including coordination with the City of San Antonio and San Antonio River Authority. Also, staff obtained input from the administration teams at Fox Tech's campuses to ensure coordination with campus projects. Progress of this project was reviewed with the Growth and Development Committee including anticipated schedule and budget.

## 2018-2019 District's Multi-Hazard Emergency Operations Plan Presentation

Trustees received a presentation on the 2018-2019 District's Multi-Hazard Emergency Operations Plan from Dr. Pauline Dow (Deputy Superintendent of Academics and School Leadership) and Diane Fernandez (Special Projects Coordinator). The report covered the components required by Texas Law regarding emergency response before, during, and after an emergency situation. The presentation also included details about the Critical Incidents Quick Reference Guide, Campus Emergency Plans, and changes to Administrative Procedure C24. This multi-hazard comprehensive plan ensures all aspects of emergency operations. It includes an innovative, digital version of a District's emergency operations plan and a critical incident guide. The plan ensures the safety and security of all SAISD staff, faculty and students.

## 2018-2019 District and Campus Performance Objectives Presentation

The Board received a brief overview of the 2018-2019 District and Campus Annual Performance Objectives from Theresa Urrabazo, the District's Senior Executive Director of Accountability, Research, Evaluation and Testing. Texas Education Code Chapter 11 outlines the requirements for the District and campus planning and decision-making process. District and campus performance objectives are a critical component of this process to direct and support the improvement of performance for all students. Texas Education Code requires that each campus improvement plan set objectives based on the Texas Academic Performance Reports (TAPR) and periodically measure progress toward these performance objectives. Performance objectives were based on the student achievement indicator system and include objectives for special needs populations, including students in special education programs.

## State Historic Tax Credits Including Retaining Special Tax Counsel for Jefferson Approved

The Board approved an application for State Historic Tax Credits including retaining Special Tax Counsel services of Kennedy Sutherland, LLP, for Jefferson High School and authorized the Superintendent to execute all related agreements. The Historic Tax Credit (HTC) program is set up at the state and federal level to encourage investment in the rehabilitation of historic buildings. At the state level, the HTC program allows a property owner (for tax purposes) to claim 25 percent of qualified rehabilitation expenditures (QRE) against Texas franchise or insurance premium taxes. QRE's include, but not limited to, the costs related to the repair or replacement of walls, floors, ceilings, windows, doors, air conditioning and heating, plumbing and electrical fixtures, cabinetry and appliances, and qualified services to provide design, hiring the contractor, permitting, and overseeing the construction. SAISD is not qualified for Federal Tax Credits. Bond 2016 includes major renovations at Jefferson High School which is a designated historic site at the local, state, and federal levels. The allocated total Bond amount is \$59,816.44. In order to benefit from this HTC program, SAISD must follow a process as outlined by Kennedy Sutherland. Kennedy Sutherland will subcontract with a team of consultants to include tax credit accounting, tax counsel, and historic architectural consulting.

## Board of Trustee Committee Reports

Steve Lecholop (Ethics Committee), Ed Garza (Growth and Development Committee), Debra Guerrero (Finance and Audit Committee), and Art Valdez (Student Advisory Committee) provided reports.

## Items Approved

- IT Hardware and Software Management Draft Audit Report as recommended by the Finance and Audit Committee.
- Vendor Files and IRS Form 1099 Draft Audit Report as Recommended by the Finance and Audit.
- District's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.
- Quarterly Investment Report for July 2018 to September 2018.
- Monthly Budget Reports and Amendments for November 2018.
- District and Campus Annual Performance Objectives for the 2018-2019 school year. Texas Education Code Chapter 11 outlines the requirements for the District and campus planning and decision-making process. District and campus performance objectives are a critical component of this process to direct and support the improvement of performance for all students.
- 2018-2019 District Multi-Hazard Emergency Operations Plan. The comprehensive all-hazards plan details the District's emergency response before, during, and after an emergency situation. The plan incorporates a Critical Incident Quick Reference Guide, Appendix B, which details the District's response to a variety of critical incidents.
- Ratification of Authorization for the Payment of Invoices to Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) for Various Trainings.
- Use of the innovative high school courses, Gifted and Talented (GT Interdisciplinary Studies/Mentor Seminar I-IV) for implementation in the 2019-2020 school year. The innovative course titled, GT Interdisciplinary Studies/Mentor Seminar I - IV, is based on the Texas Performance Standards project designed for gifted and talented students and will offer a non-traditional learning experience to those high school students who have been identified as part of the implementation of the Javits grant. This grant was given for the purpose of building SAISD Gifted and Talented Education services to include those students who show high potential in the areas of visual arts or leadership.
- Purchase of English Language Arts and Reading (ELAR) elementary English and Spanish supplemental workbooks from Textbook Warehouse, LLC. These consumable supplemental materials are in support of core curricular programming in writing, grammar, phonics, and the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR) preparation.
- Schematic designs for Bowden Academy and Brackenridge High School in the Bond 2016 program prior to proceeding to the design development phase.
- Rental of one modular classroom building at Jefferson High School and installation of the associated utilities to Satellite Shelters, Inc. and authorized the Superintendent to execute all associated contracts. Phase One of the 2016 Bond project at Jefferson HS has begun. Jefferson will remain as an occupied campus for the duration of planned construction (25 months). For this reason, staff will use one portable classroom building as swing space during construction. The first phase includes foundation repairs beneath the primary gymnasium and food service and renovations to the primary gymnasium and locker rooms.

During phase one, the portable building will be used as a temporary locker room for campus athletics. Once phase one is complete and campus athletics returns to their permanent location, the portable building could be used as swing space for classrooms during phase two.

- Rental of modular classroom buildings at Lanier High School and installation of the associated utilities to Satellite Shelters, Inc. and authorized the Superintendent to execute all associated contracts. The 2016 Bond project at Lanier is scheduled to begin in the first quarter 2019. Lanier will remain as an occupied campus for the duration of planned construction (32 months). For this reason, staff will use eight portable classroom buildings (16 classrooms) and one portable restroom building as swing space during construction.
- Rental of modular classroom buildings at J.T. Brackenridge Elementary School to Williams Scottsman, Inc. and the installation of the associated utilities to Iron Lock Construction Services, LLC. and authorized the Superintendent to execute all associated contracts. The 2016 Bond project at J.T. Brackenridge Elementary School is scheduled to begin in December 2018. J.T. Brackenridge will remain as an occupied campus for the duration of planned construction (22 months). For this reason, staff will use five portable classroom buildings (10 classrooms) as swing space during construction.

## Contracts Approved

- Renewal of the 2018-2019 Interlocal Agreement between SAISD and the City of San Antonio Department of Human Services. This agreement provides funding through the City of San Antonio Department of Human Services' After School Challenge Program that will be implemented as part of the SAISD Extended Day Program. The funding from the City of San Antonio will provide SAISD schools with an academic extension of curricular programming to include homework and tutorial assistance; STEM-based enrichment; and recreational and physical fitness activities; as well as nutritional snacks.
- Head Start Renewal Agreement for Education Services between SAISD and the City of San Antonio. This renewal agreement with the City of San Antonio will continue to provide Head Start education services to eligible 3 and 4-year-old students for the next five-year grant cycle. This agreement will secure a continued partnership with the City of San Antonio to enable the District to provide Head Start services to 2,243 children and families residing within the SAISD boundary, in the City of San Antonio.
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD and Trinity University College Advising Corps to support high school students through the college and financial aid application processes to increase college-going enrollment rates.
- Agreement between SAISD and Bellwether Education Partners. Bellwether Education Partners is a Texas Education Agency (TEA) approved Transformation Fund Planning and Zone Implementation Design Partner that would provide SAISD support in developing the Network Principal Initiative and providing professional development to Network Principals. This partnership is grant funded. Bellwether Education Partners is a national nonprofit focused on dramatically changing education and life outcomes for underserved children. Bellwether does this by helping education organizations accelerate their impact and by working to improve policy and practice.

## Rental Usage Agreement Approved

- Rental usage of Alamo Stadium by the Battle of Flowers Association for rehearsals on Monday, April 8, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Monday, April 15, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 9:45 a.m.; 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.; and on Thursday, April 25, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for the Battle of Flowers Band Festival.
- Rental usage of the Alamo Stadium, ACC and the Northwest parking lot by Drum Corps International for band practices on Friday, July 19, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.; Saturday, July 20, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Sunday, July 21, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and Sunday, July 21, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

## Bids, Proposals and Purchases for Goods Approved

- Advanced Placement Textbooks and Consumables for AP classes. Materials will be used for daily instruction of TEKS and College Credit Courses at all High Schools District-wide.
- State Adopted Textbooks to be used for daily instruction of TEKS for all elementary campuses District-wide.
- Increase funding for the purchase of an Online Literacy Program that adapts to students' individual needs by tracking reading growth. This will support students at Highlands High School in grades 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> and CAST Tech students in grades 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Case Manager Services hired through Goodwill Industries. Two dedicated full-time case managers will provide individual case management, career education and college enrollment support services to eligible (1,524) SAISD/Harlandale ISD GEAR UP Class of 2017 alumni identified and referred by GEAR UP coaches.
- Audio Visual Equipment and Supplies. This will enable the schools and departments District-wide to purchase various items on an "as needed" basis.
- Literacy Resources for the content areas of Math, Science and Social Studies. Teachers will be provided with trainings on how to utilize and implement the resources within the classroom during their guided reading time. This purchase will support students in grades 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of requesting campuses District-wide.
- Electronic Whiteboards, Projectors, Digital and Interactive Displays including installation services in support of all campuses District-wide on an "as needed" basis
- Modification to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD and City Year San Antonio for the 2018-2019 school year. Due to a low Corps enrollment, City Year was unable to place corps members at Highlands High School as outlined in the original MOU approved on June 18, 2018. Therefore, the MOU was modified and the District will not incur an expense for placement of the Highlands corps members.

## Tabled Item

- Approval of the Schematic Design for the New SAISD Administration Building.

**Board of Education**  
**Patti Radle, President; Arthur V. Valdez, Vice President;**

**Debra Guerrero, Secretary; Ed Garza, Member; James Howard, Member; Steve Lecholop, Member;  
Christina Martinez, Member; Pedro Martinez, Superintendent**

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