



Board Meeting

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Regular Board Meeting A held on September 14, 2020 via Zoom webinar
Regular Board Meeting B held on September 21, 2020 via Zoom webinar

Recognitions & Resolutions

- The Board recognized Adriana Abundis, Math Teacher at Lanier High School, for being awarded the 2020 Secondary Teacher of the Year by Education Service Center, Region 20. The Texas Teacher of the Year (TOY) Program honors excellence in classroom education and provides a forum to showcase many outstanding educators whose efforts and example have inspired their students, their colleagues, and the communities they serve. The Texas TOY is the highest honor that the State of Texas can bestow upon a teacher. Facilitated by the Texas Association of School Administrators (TASA), the Texas TOY Program annually recognizes and rewards teachers who have demonstrated outstanding leadership and excellence in teaching. Ms. Abundis has taught in SAISD for eight years. During the spring semester, Ms. Abundis was named one of SAISD's three 2020 Distinguished Teachers of the Year.
- Trustees approved a resolution in recognition of World Teachers' Day beginning on October 5 through October 9, 2020. World Teachers' Day is devoted to celebrating the teacher profession worldwide, and to thanking teachers for their role in helping children and adults learn how to contribute at the local and global level through education. This year, World Teachers' Day will celebrate teachers with the theme "Teachers: Leading in crisis, reimagining the future". The entire SAISD community and all stakeholders are encouraged to celebrate. Observed annually on October 5th since 1994, World Teachers' Day commemorates the anniversary of the adoption of the 1966 ILO/UNESCO Recommendation concerning the Status of Teachers, which sets benchmarks regarding the rights and responsibilities of teacher and standards for the initial preparation and further education, recruitment, employment, and teaching and learning conditions.
- The Board approved the resolution in recognition of National Principals' Month beginning on October 12 through October 30, 2020. National Principals' Month allows us the opportunity to honor principals, assistant principals, and other school administrators for their steadfast commitment to ensuring that every child receives a quality education. The entire SAISD community and all stakeholders are encouraged to celebrate principals, assistant principals, and other school administrators and their passion for learning, commitment, and service to SAISD students.

Response to Ongoing COVID-19 and Associated Expenditures Update

Trustees received an update on SAISD's Response to the Ongoing COVID-19 Crisis and associated expenditures. Superintendent Pedro Martinez provided the report. The presentation focused on four primary areas: maintaining safety and increasing student enrollment, current safety levels according to SAISD and the City of San Antonio, recap of Week 1 with students on campus, technology update, and COVID-19 reporting.

SAISD Asynchronous Learning Plan for Submission to TEA Approved

The Board approved the SAISD Asynchronous Learning Plan for submission to the Texas Education Agency (TEA). As outlined by TEA, the SAISD Superintendent and Board must attest that the asynchronous remote learning plan proposed for implementation during the 2020-2021 school year is being executed as described in the 3-part attestation. A report was provided to Trustees by Patti Salzmann, Deputy Superintendent of Academics and School Leadership, and Dr. Olivia Hernandez, Assistant Superintendent of Bilingual, ESL and Migrant. The presentation emphasized four areas of concentration. They included: providing instructional schedules, material designs, monitor schools learning, and implementation of plan (professional development).

Resolution to Apply for Funding from Coronavirus Relief Fund for Local Education Agencies Approved

Trustees approved an application for funding from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) for Local Education Agencies (LEAs) established within Section 601 of the Social Security Act, as added by Section 5001 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES ACT). This program is administered by the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) and provides funding to an LEA for COVID-19 related expenditures that were incurred between March 1, 2020 and May 20, 2020. TDEM will provide funding up to 75% of eligible expenditures to be reimbursed subject to a cap per LEA and subject to CRF funding availability. Each LEA will be capped at a reimbursement amount equal to the greater of \$50,000 or \$250 per compensatory education (SCE) student of the LEA.

2020 Blue Ribbon Task Force Recognition

Trustees recognized the 2020 Blue Ribbon Task Force members and alternates for their participation, dedication and contributions toward the formal recommendation of the Bond 2020 Election. In spring 2020, the Board approved a listing of BRTF members and alternates to examine how to fund operating and capital needs of the District. The Task Force met regularly and participated in school tours (in-person/virtual). They also provided feedback on the conditions of each campus. On August 17, the BRTF Co-Chairs presented a report and recommendation to the Board, drafted by the Committee, in support of the calling a Bond Election on November 3, 2020. BRTF Committee Co-Chairs were Mario Barrera and Victoria Moreno Herrera. Task Force Chairpersons were appointed by the Board President and Superintendent. The Task Force was comprised of a diverse group of up to three Single Member District (SMD) residents nominated by each Trustee and appointed by the Board.

Board of Trustee Committee Reports

Steve Lecholop (Academic Excellence Committee), Christina Martinez (Governance Committee) and Ed Garza (Growth and Development Committee) provided a report.

Board Policy Approved

Trustees approved the following proposed revisions to District policies: FB (LOCAL) Equal Educational Opportunity – This policy includes updated provisions that remove the name and contact information for the District’s Title IX Coordinator for Students and the ADA/Section 504 Coordinator for Students. Readers are now directed to See FB (EXHIBIT) for those individuals’ names and contact information. FFH (LOCAL) Student Welfare: Freedom from Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation – This policy includes updated provisions to comply with new Title IX rules and regulations, which became effective August 14, 2020. This policy relates to sexual harassment allegations. DIA (LOCAL) Employee Welfare: Freedom from Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation – This policy includes updated provisions to comply with new Title IX rules and regulations. This policy relates to sexual harassment allegations. The revised provisions provide for the creation of a Title IX Formal Complaint Process.

Items Approved

- Monthly budget reports and amendments for September 2020 approved.
- Purchase of math site licenses for Teach Transform eBooks from Lead4Ward. Teach Transform eBooks are concept-based books that include problems and banks of activities aligned directly to the content and process standards of the Mathematics Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS).
- Contract for the furniture procurement, installation at the new Central Office Administration Building, and to authorize the Superintendent to execute associated contracts.
- General Contractor for the Brooks City CAST Med High School Phase II Chemistry Lab Buildout Renovations.
- General Contractors for the Head Start Washer Dryer Improvements at Carvajal Elementary School and Knox and Nelson Early Childhood Education Centers.
- General Contractor for the Artificial Turf at Woodlawn Academy.
- General Contractor for the Modular Building at Woodlawn Academy.
- General Contractor for the Renovations to Convert the Existing Locker Room to a Dance Studio at Young Women’s Leadership Academy (YWLA) Primary at Page.
- Dedication of a 7,376 square foot portion of Lot 38, N.C.B. 132, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas informally known as the former Fox Baseball Field for the purpose of widening the right of way for adjoining Camaron Street. The result of this widening

will improve traffic flow in and around the District's new central administration offices as well as the Fox Tech campuses.

Contracts Approved

- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD and the RaiseMe Organization. RaiseMe will help increase postsecondary advising as required by House Bill 5. As a free web platform focused on expanding access to higher education, RaiseMe enables high school students to earn micro-scholarships offered by over 330 universities when they meet challenges such as getting good grades, volunteering, preparing for the SAT, or playing sports.
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD and the Martinez Street Women's Center, Girl Zone Educator. Martinez Street Women's Center (the Center) is a longstanding SAISD partner through the office of Family and Community Engagement. Girl Zone is a one-day/week afterschool program that works to empower girls utilizing a culturally relevant, social justice curriculum and other customized services depending on campus and students' needs.
- Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) between SAISD and ACE Mentor Program of Greater San Antonio (ACE). The ACE is a free, award-winning, afterschool program designed to attract high school students into pursuing careers in the Architecture, Construction, and Engineering (ACE) industry, including skilled trades.
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD and Baylor University for speech pathology field placement. Baylor University will provide current graduate students in the Speech Language Pathology program to be placed with SAISD speech pathologists to receive job-related experience.
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD and Jefferson United Methodist Church (Jefferson UMC) for the purpose of providing one classroom on church grounds for the Cooper Academy Drop Out Recovery Program.
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD and the University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) for the Dual Credit Teacher of Record Pilot Program at CAST Tech High School.
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD and Trinity University for college enrollment, persistence, and completion initiatives. The term of this MOU will be for the 2020-2021 school year. This partnership is a strategic agreement between SAISD and Trinity University that will give high achieving students a local choice for attending a college with a high college completion rate. The partnership will focus on informing highly competitive students about the benefits of early decision applications, supporting accepted students financially by meeting their full need, and facilitating access to programs that support student persistence and completion for first-generation scholars and/or scholars of color.

- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD and San Antonio Emergency Medical Training (SAEMT) to support the Emergency Medical Technician Program administered by SAISD at Edison High School.
- Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) with Heart of America (HoA) and Arizona State University (ASU) to construct and implement Verizon Innovative Learning (VIL) Lab programs at Joel C. Harris Middle School and Henry Wadsworth Longfellow Middle School. The VIL Lab program is a multi-year initiative that combines immersive cutting-edge technology with an innovative project-based curriculum and real-world problem solving in a custom-designed, state-of-the art Innovation Lab, all within the school building.
- Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with COSA's Metro Health Division to bring additional funding into the District to expand SEAD resources and support for students, teachers, and parents, and authorize the Superintendent to execute and renew the Memorandum of Agreement on behalf of the District. This agreement will bring \$139,030 into the District to fund an expansion of a Rhithm app pilot for student support in PK-12, a SEAD Coordinator position, and parent online learning opportunities with H-E-B gift card incentives.
- Amendment to the Pre-K4SA Public School Grant Agreement, including Scope of Work, for Education Services between SAISD and the City of San Antonio (via the San Antonio Early Childhood Municipal Development Corporation) to provide continuation of education services and implementation of this competitive grant from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.
- Renewal of the 2020-2021 Interlocal Agreement between SAISD and the City of San Antonio Department of Human Services for the After-School Challenge Program. This Agreement outlines the scope of work, associated grant funding, and the partnership requirements with SAISD.

Bids, Proposals and Purchases for Goods Approved

- Purchase and replacement of 28 playground canopies at 22 campuses District-wide.
- Purchase of building maintenance, repair and operation supplies and equipment, maintenance and hardware supplies, and paint and sundries. This purchase will provide repairs for District-wide use on an "as needed" basis.
- Purchase of HVAC building maintenance, repair, installation, operation supplies and equipment. This purchase will provide repairs for District-wide use on an "as needed" basis.
- Ratification of the purchase of video collaboration teaching units with video recording and any services associated with such purchases due to the implementation of distance learning programs precipitated by COVID-19. This purchase includes classroom instructor collaboration for District-wide use.

- Ratification of the purchase of 576 classroom audio sets, accessories and any services associated with such purchases due to the implementation of distance learning programs precipitated by COVID-19 for District-wide use.
- Purchase of online learning materials and practice tests to prepare for Career and Technology Education (CTE) Certifications. This purchase supports high school students who are enrolled in CTE courses in the areas of Architecture, Construction, A/V and Graphic Arts and Business Programs.
- Purchase of a comprehensive Web-based (Review 360) Behavioral Improvement System, Software Licensure and Subscription Services in support of Special Education students with severe behavioral disorders and other low incidence disabilities for eligible students District-wide.
- Purchase of twenty (20) propane school buses. This purchase will replace aging buses to transport students to and from school and local field trips.
- Memorandum of Understanding with Girl Scouts of Southwest Texas for the Gamma Sigma Girls and Gamma Sigma Pearls Programs.
- Additional Service Delivery Agreement between Communities In Schools of San Antonio (CIS-SA) and SAISD for the 2020 - 2021 School Year for 9 additional CIS-SA Allocations.

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