



# Board Meeting H I G H L I G H T S

Regular Board Meeting held on January 10, 2022 at 514 W. Quincy St., San Antonio, Tx. 78212  
Regular Board Meeting held on January 18, 2022 at 514 W. Quincy St., San Antonio, Tx. 78212

## Recognitions

- ❖ The Board recognized Luz Perez, SAISD Bus Driver, for her quick actions during her route. On December 17, 2021, Ms. Perez was on her early morning route and noticed a baby in the middle of the street. She immediately stopped her bus and rescued the infant. Ms. Perez returned to her bus to seek assistance. The San Antonio Police Department was contacted and the baby reunited with her family. The SAISD Board and Interim Superintendent thanks Luz Perez for her compassion and bravery in rescuing the baby and ensuring safe return to her family.
- ❖ Trustees recognized the following seniors who have been successfully matched to a top tier college through the National QuestBridge Match program:
  - Jason Gonzalez (Travis ECHS) – University of Chicago
  - Bella Moreno (Jefferson HS) – Boston University
  - Linda Morse (St Philip’s ECHS) – Washington & Lee University
  - Lizet Rodriguez (Travis ECHS) – Princeton University
  - Destinie Sharp (ALA) – Rice University
  - Ruth Villicana (YWLA) – Brown University

These Scholars are admitted early to top tier colleges with full four-year scholarships. QuestBridge’s 42 college partners include top liberal arts colleges such as Amherst, Pomona, and Williams and exceptional research universities such as Columbia, Duke, UChicago, Stanford, and Yale. Typically, QuestBridge Scholars have a GPA of 3.9, are in the top 10% of their class, demonstrate financial need, and are the first in their families to attend college. This number of Scholars equals the number of QuestBridge Scholars in the Class of 2020.

- ❖ January 2022 has been proclaimed as School Board Recognition Month, and this year’s theme is “Rising Above.” This is an especially appropriate title given the unprecedented issues board members face in navigating the current challenges of public education. The SAISD family, thanks our Board of Trustees for their commitment to our students, staff, schools, and community. Of the 1,247-plus school districts across the State of Texas and the 8,700-plus board members currently serving, there are no other school boards that deserve this recognition and celebration more than our very own SAISD Board of Trustees. This is an amazing group of individuals who voluntarily take up the enormous responsibility of governing our schools, and we are extremely proud of them. Our seven board

members serve as a guiding force to an exemplary education and provide extensive opportunities for student success. Thank you SAISD Board for continuing to volunteer your time to help us support families and change lives.

- ❖ The Board approved the Resolution in Recognition of National School Counseling Week. The American School Counselor Association officially recognizes National School Counseling Week February 7-11, 2022. This recognition will help applaud the efforts of SAISD's 147 school counselors in honor of their passion and dedication to student success. SAISD counselors maximize the academic, career, and personal development of all students. They are the heart of the school, and they are instrumental in supporting students and their families. This year's theme for National School Counseling Week is "School Counselors: Better Together" which is intended to focus public attention on the contributions of professional school counselors. National School Counseling Week also highlights the tremendous impact that counselors have in helping students achieve school success.

## Update on SAISD's Response to the Ongoing COVID-19 Crisis and Associated Expenditures

Trustees received an update on SAISD's Response to the Ongoing COVID-19 Crisis and associated expenditures. A report was presented by Toni Thompson (Associate Superintendent of Human Resources). The presentation focused on updated guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and timelines for isolation and quarantines.

## Overview on House Bill 4545

The Board was provided with an overview on House Bill 4545. House Bill 4545 establishes new requirements for accelerated instruction for students who do not pass the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR).

## Bond Program Presentation

Trustees received a brief presentation on the status of Bond 2016 and Bond 2020 implementation, including information on projects timeline, budget, construction progress, and anticipated changes or concerns.

## 2020 Census Redistricting Briefing

The Board received a briefing regarding the district's redistricting timeline in response to the 2020 Census data. The projected timeline would start June of 2022 and end February of 2023.

## Resolution in Recognition of the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. March Approved

Trustees approved the resolution in recognition of the 35th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. March on January 17, 2022. This year marks the 35th anniversary of the annual Martin Luther King, Jr. March, which is celebrated as one of the nation's most revered

civil rights leaders. The San Antonio community has been known for having the largest March in the nation with an estimated 300,000 attendees who gather to honor the life and legacy of Dr. King. Due to COVID-19, this year's in-person MLK March was cancelled. This year's event was changed to a virtual platform.

## Resolution in Recognition of Career and Technical Education Month in February 2022

The Board approved the resolution in recognition of Career and Technical Education Month in February 2022 in SAISD. The Association for Career and Technical Education strives to empower educators to deliver high quality CTE programs that ensure all students are positioned for career success. CTE Month is a public awareness campaign that takes place each February to celebrate the value of CTE and the achievements and accomplishments of CTE programs across the country. The Board was also be provided with an overview of the CTE programs during the meeting.

## Campus Performance Objectives Approved

The SAISD Board approved the 2021-2022 District and Campus Performance Objectives. These documents establish minimum District and Campus goals for attendance, STAAR results by subject (performance and growth), PK-2 measures, and domain and overall performance in accordance with the current State Accountability system. Policy BQ (Legal) states the Board shall annually approve Campus Performance Objectives. The District and Campus Performance Objectives will be published for public review on the SAISD website.

## Members to the School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) for 2021-2023 School Years Approved

The Board approved the list of new members to the School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) for the 2021-2023 school years. The SHAC is an advisory body whose purpose is to ensure that local community values are reflected in the health education instruction provided by the District. In Chapter 28, Subchapter A-L, and Chapter 38.013 of the Texas Education Code, the State requires schools to establish and maintain a district-level School Health Advisory Council. In accordance with District Policy BDF (LEGAL), the Board shall establish a local SHAC. Membership selection involved an application process for all SAISD parents who are not employed by the School District to submit an application for consideration. The application window opened December 2020 and remains active until each single-member district is represented. Approved members commit to serve a two-year term.

## Construction Delivery Methods Presentation

Trustees received a presentation on the Construction Delivery Methods available to SAISD per Texas Government Code. The presentation also included staff's recommendation on which Construction Delivery Methods offer SAISD the best value in delivering Bond 2020 projects.

## Items Approved

- ❖ Budget amendments for the month of January 2022.
- ❖ Conveyance of a Portion of Lot 38, N.C.B. 132, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas to widen the Right of Way for an adjoining Camaron Street Improvement Project.
- ❖ Agreement for Community-Based Work Based Learning Program (Agreement) between SAISD and Goodwill San Antonio in support of the Adult Years Vocational Program at the comprehensive high schools.
- ❖ General Contractor's proposal amount to facilitate the installation of replacement chillers at Travis Early College, YMLA, Ball Academy, Baskin ES, Stewart ES, Pershing ES, Cooper Academy at Navarro, Woodlawn Hills ES, and Wilson ES.
- ❖ Staff's recommendation to award the ratification for the emergency repair of a Trane Water Cooled Chiller at De Zavala Elementary School in order to provide a comfortable environment for staff members and students.

## Contracts Approved

- ❖ License Agreement between Young Men's Leadership Academy and the Sunset Station Group, LLC. The said agreement will be for rental fees of The Espee venue for students' prom on May 14, 2022.
- ❖ Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD and UpBring Early Head Start. UpBring Early Head Start is a non-profit organization which offers a comprehensive family focused program which will help prepare families and children to transition into the SAISD Early Childhood Education Programs.
- ❖ Memorandum of Understanding between San Antonio Independent School District and the Martinez Street Women's Center. Martinez Street Women's Center is a longstanding SAISD partner through the office of Family and Community Engagement. Martinez Street Women's Center's Youth Development program is a daily center-based afterschool program that works to empower youth by utilizing a culturally relevant, social justice curriculum and individualized services informed by each student's needs and goals.
- ❖ Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD and the Texas Diaper Bank (TDB). The program focuses on providing school age parents with access to diapers, wipes, and other healthcare necessities.
- ❖ Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD and Jewish Family Service. Jewish Family Service (JFS) will function as the lead agency for the San Antonio Mobile Mental Wellness Collaborative and will facilitate mental health services provided to the SAISD community including students, families, teachers, and administrators of the District.

- ❖ Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD, After-School All Stars at Bonham Academy, and Jump-Start Performance Company. Jump-Start Performance Company provides Bonham Academy the opportunity to offer two Arts Education Programs/Workshops, *Girl Power!* and *Historias y Cuentos*, to students currently enrolled in the After School Challenge Program whose provider is the Greater San Antonio All Stars.
- ❖ Renewal of the 2021-2022 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. The funding from the City of San Antonio provides SAISD schools the opportunity to offer a Districtwide extended day program with homework assistance; STEM-based enrichment; recreational and physical fitness activities, and nutritional snacks.

### Bids, Proposals and Purchases for Goods Approved

- ❖ Purchase of Online Literacy Program that adapts to students' individual needs by tracking reading growth for students in grades 3 – 5 District-wide.
- ❖ Purchase of an annual Subscription for SmartMusic Software. SmartMusic is a suite of web-based music education tools that support efficient practice. This purchase will be used by band, mariachi, orchestra, and choir director District-wide to create lessons and write music pieces in order to educate Fine Arts students in choral and instrumental music programs in grades 6-12 on campus and through distance learning.

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