



# Board Highlights

Frisco Independent School District

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*Regular Board Meeting April 14– 7:30 p.m., FISD Board Room*

## **Approval of minutes from March 3 Regular Meeting—*Motion Passed***

### **Staff Recognition**

#### **Child Nutrition Services Recognition by Texas Department of Agriculture**

Alicia Ralston from the Texas Department of Agriculture honored the Frisco ISD Nutrition department for their work in piloting the administrative review process. Director Debera Tredennick received the award for on behalf of the department. Five other schools in Texas were part of the pilot.

#### **Region 10 Principal of the Year by Texas Association of Secondary School Principals (TASSP)**

Scoggins Middle School Principal Barbara Warner was honored by Executive Director Archie McAfee and president Robert Morrison on behalf of TASSP. The Texas Association of Secondary School Principals (TASSP) has named Scoggins Middle School Principal Barbara Warner its 2013 Middle School Principal of the Year for the State of Texas. Warner was honored by her peers earlier this year as 2013 Region 10 Principal of the Year, in recognition of exemplary performance and outstanding leadership. She will also be competing nationally for Secondary Principal of the Year.

### **Communications to and from the Board Including Public Comments**

Anne McCausland shared that Richard Wilkinson received the Texas PTA Life Membership award.

Debbie Gillespie shared her experience in El Paso with Leadership TASB. She also presented on various topics related to Frisco ISD.

Dan Mossakowski and Renee Ehmke spoke about the National School Board Association conference that they attended in New Orleans.

**Consent Agenda**—The Board approved the consent agenda. The consent agenda consists of items that the board considers routine and approves under one motion. The items approved were: tax office reports; payments to vendors, architects, and contractors; award for preferred approved vendor list; Act on extension of contract for heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) service and repair work, repair, and maintenance vendor contract extensions; extension of contract for lawn and maintenance temporary labor staffing; contract for plumbing service and repair work; contract for cell pole at administration building; electrical supplies and equipment; minor adjustment of attendance zone for 2014–2015 school year; job order contract extension; construction manager at risk for High School #9; contract for external auditor; proposal to address gym floor needs at all secondary campuses; service and maintenance agreement for security cameras and software; vendor to supply Chromebooks for 2014–2015 school year; vendor to supply computers for 2014–2015 school year; supply mobile devices and multimedia desktops/laptops for 2014–2015 school year; vendor to supply mobile device cases for 2014–2015 school year; vendor to supply wireless access points for 2014–2015 school year; vendor to supply phone systems for 2014–2015 school year; vendors to supply printers for 2014–2015 school year; vendor to supply projectors and screens for 2014–2015 school year; vendor to supply new network equipment for campus upgrades; E-Rate resolution for 2014–2015; instructional materials allotment (IMA) & TEKS certification for 2014–2015; purchase of instructional materials with instructional materials allotment (IMA) funds; a) Consumable texts for English Language Arts, b) Textbooks for AP US History; approval of special



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education management system tool; approval of learning management system; 2014 Limited English Proficiency (LEP) summer school schedule for incoming kindergarten and first grade bilingual/ESL students; purchase of PSAT/NMSQT and Readistep assessments; approval of waiver application for bad weather day; Board Local Policy Update 99, affecting (LOCAL) policies—(A) BP (LOCAL): Administrative Regulations, (B) CFEA (LOCAL): Payroll Procedures - Salary Deductions and Reductions, (C) CK (LOCAL): Safety Program/Risk Management, (D) DAC (LOCAL): Employment Objectives - Objective Criteria for Personnel Decisions, (E) EHDC (LOCAL): Alternative Methods for Earning Credit - Credit by Examination without Prior Instruction, (F) FFF (LOCAL): Student Welfare - Student Safety, (G) FFH (LOCAL): Student Welfare - Freedom from Discrimination Harassment, and Retaliation; revision to DMA (LOCAL): Professional Development – Required Professional Development local board policy; revision to EHBB(LOCAL): Special Programs - Gifted and Talented Students local board policy.

## **Consider and Act on Resolution for Compensation for Bad Weather Days—*Motion Passed***

Employees will be compensated for the 3<sup>rd</sup> bad weather day used pending state approval for a waiver.

## **Discussion Regarding Student Travel Guidelines—*See Presentation***

## **Discussion Regarding Community Engagement Model—*See Presentation***

## **Consider and Act on Acceptance of Certification of Unopposed Candidates and Approval of Order of Cancellation for May 10, 2014 Board of Trustees Election—*Motion Passed***

The bond ballot will contain the category “Unopposed Candidates Declared Elected” and will list the unopposed trustees.

## **Consider and Act on Adoption of an Order Authorizing the Issuance of Unlimited Tax Bonds, Establishing Sale Parameters, Authorizing the Execution of a Bond Purchase Contract and an Escrow Agreement; Approving an Official Statement; and Enacting Other Provisions Relating to the Subject**

- Less than 5% interest on \$111,306,286
- No less than 5% savings on bonds refunded
- Projected/Anticipated Expenditure list will be provided prior to sale
- Budgeted and funded from 2006 bond program

## **Presentation on Preliminary Budget Outlook for 2014-2015 School Year—*See Presentation***

Chief Financial Officer Dr. Rick Bankston presented on the preliminary operating budget which reflected an increase from \$344.3 million to \$385.3 million compared to last year. This preliminary budget included the costs of opening 5 new campuses (including approximately \$16M for new personnel), an estimated 3% increase in employee compensation, approximately \$3.4M in requested funds beyond the initial allocation, approximately \$3.3M allocated for the District's contribution to the Teacher Retirement System, and approximately \$2.1M for capital outlay expenses. The projected budget also includes allocations of \$4.1M for additional classroom teachers and \$3.0M allocated for additional departmental personnel to address growth in the district.



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**Consider and Act on Adoption of Board Operating Procedures—*Motion Passed and see attachment***

**Consider and Act on Personnel Recommendations—*Motion Passed***

**Pam Linton, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources** presented the board with personnel recommendations and resignations.

**New administrative hires for the 2014-2015 school year include:**

Zach Wiley, currently assistant principal at Purefoy Elementary School, has been named principal of Nichols Elementary. Mr. Wiley has been an administrator for seven years, having served as principal and assistant principal in Terrell ISD before joining FISD in 2010. He began his career as a fourth grade teacher in 2002 in Plano ISD. His bachelor's degree is from the University of Texas at Tyler and his master's degree is from the University of North Texas.

Jodi Davis, currently assistant principal at Sonntag Elementary, will head up the Borchardt team in the coming school year. Ms. Davis began her career in education as a teacher in Little Elm ISD. She joined FISD in 2007 as an ESL teacher at Robertson Elementary and helped open Sonntag Elementary in 2010 as assistant principal. She has also served as the Title One Summer School Principal. Her bachelor's degree is from Winona State Universities in Minnesota. Her master's degree is from Lamar University.

*The following assistant principals were also named:*

Jennifer Livingston, currently teaching social studies and serving as an instructional coach at Hunt Middle School, will be the new assistant principal at Vandeventer Middle School.

Katie Lane, currently teaching Pre-AP ILA and serving as a team leader at Roach Middle School, will be the new assistant principal at Roach.

Chakosha Powell, currently an assistant principal at J.J. Pearce in Richardson ISD, will be a new assistant principal at Independence High School.

Brent Benningfield, currently a teacher/coach at Wakeland High School, will be an assistant principal at Heritage High School.

Jo-Bina Grace, currently an assistant principal in Lewisville ISD, will be the new assistant principal at Robertson Elementary.

Courtney Jennings, currently an instructional coach at Maus Middle School and former teacher at Robertson Elementary, will be the new assistant principal at Boals Elementary.

Derek Wheelless, currently an assistant principal in Irving ISD, will be the new assistant principal at Purefoy Elementary.

Kim Frankson, currently a teacher at Nichols Elementary, will be the new assistant principal at Phillips Elementary.



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Cari Owens, currently a teacher at Vandeventer Middle School and former teacher at Purefoy Elementary, will be the new assistant principal at Pink Elementary.

Additionally, Christopher Burtch formerly football coach/athletic coordinator at Seminole HS was named Coordinator of High School athletics for Liberty HS.

## **Staff Repot**

### **Support Services**

**Doug Zambiasi updated the board on 2014-2015 student transfer timelines.** *See below*

FISD employees: May 1-May 16 General public: July22 –August 12

*Next board meeting scheduled for May 12*