



# BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

REGULAR BOARD MEETING | JANUARY 19 | 7:30 PM

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PLACE 7

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## **Approval of Minutes from January Regular Meeting and January 30 Special Meeting— Motion Passed**

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

FHS students Jalun Branch and Kate Maslowski led the pledges.

**Celebration of Learning**— Kelsie Brunson, Professional Communications teacher at Frisco High School and student representatives from her Professional Communications class discussed their Professional Communication class project. Specific emphasis is placed on real-world skills involved in presenting a professional image and communicating clearly. The interview process and resume writing are two key skills developed in this course. Ms. Brunson utilized the resource we have in our parents and community members to provide her students with valuable learning and experience in this area.

**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; addition of authorized representative for investment pool; boilers for Anderson, Shawnee Trail and Smith Elementary Schools and Clark Middle School; GMP (guaranteed maximum price) for HVAC summer projects; 2016-2017 furniture, fixtures and equipment (FF&E) start-up budget for schools opening August 2016-a) Miller and Vaughn Elementary Schools, b) Nelson Middle School c) Lebanon Trail High School; competitive sealed proposal for transportation west parking lot; library furniture for 2016-2017 refresh campuses; vendor to supply virtual reference library; new job description/evaluation form; authorization of Texas Education Agency Login (TEAL) alternate approver.— **Motion Passed**

## **Consider and Act on Inter-local Agreement between Frisco ISD, City of Frisco and City of McKinney— Motion Passed**

### **Consider and Act on Proposal for Exclusive Athletic Apparel— Motion Passed**

The response that provided the best value to the District was submitted by Nike. This agreement includes an annual sponsorship: Year 1 and 2 of \$215,000.00, Year 3 and 4 \$240,000.00, and for the final year of the agreement \$265,000.00. These monies are in the form of Nike

Promotional products. Nike will allocate \$100,000.00 annually in marketing promotion over the length of this agreement. [Read more here.](#)

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

At the February regular meeting of the Frisco ISD Board of Trustees, members approved the hiring of Phil Evans as Secondary Area Director for Curriculum and Instruction.

Evans is currently the principal at Cobb Middle School. He joined the District in 2008 as an assistant principal at Liberty High School. He was named to open Cobb Middle School in 2010. Evans has 20 years of experience as a professional educator, having taught and coached and served as an administrator in Plano and McKinney ISDs at the middle school and high school levels. His bachelor's degree is from Baylor University and his master's degree is from the University of North Texas.

Also named was the campus athletic coordinator and head football coach for Lebanon Trail High School, which opens in August 2016.

Sadd Jackson is currently the athletic director in Manor ISD, a position he has held for six years. His coaching career began at the college level, working as an assistant at Texas Christian University, where he also played, and at Valdosta State University in Georgia. He began his public education and coaching career in 1998 in Austin and he has also taught and coached in Lancaster ISD. His bachelor's degree is from Texas Christian University and his master's degree is from the University of Texas at Arlington.

Last month, the Board approved the hiring of Kimberly Pickens as Chief Financial Officer, replacing Dr. Rick Bankston who retired.

Pickens joined Fisd from Richardson ISD where she was serving as Executive Director of Financial Services. Her background includes work as an audit manager for Deloitte, specializing in the public sector. She also serves as an adjunct instructor for the University of Texas at Dallas. Pickens holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Texas A&M University. She is also a certified public accountant.

Frisco ISD is currently interviewing for several principal positions. Those selections will be made and announced soon.

### **Consider and Act on Calling Board of Trustees general Election— Motion Passed**

Order of Election of Trustees Places 1, 2 and 3 to be held on May 7, 2016.

### **Report on District assessment and Accountability**

Dr. Gary Nye, Director of Assessment and Accountability, presented an overview of the new PSAT test and data relating to performance of 11th grade Frisco ISD students. [See presentation here](#)

## **Communication To and From the Board of Trustees**

One speaker addressed the board concerning boys' soccer.

## **Curriculum and Instruction**

**Katie Kordel** informed the board about Academic Decathlon and Project Search.

## **Regional Academic Decathlon**

All seven Frisco ISD high schools that competed in the Region IX Medium Size Schools Academic Decathlon Competition are advancing to state. Wakeland High School was the Region IX Medium Size School winner. Statewide, Wakeland High School and Centennial High School led the pack earning third and fourth place respectively. Wakeland, Centennial, Liberty, Independence, Lone Star, Frisco, and Heritage High Schools will participate in the state meet on February 26th and 27th in San Antonio.

## **Project SEARCH**

Frisco ISD students who participate in the Project SEARCH intern program greeted FISD administrators and school board members who serve on the C&I School Board Subcommittee on January 27th at the Embassy Suites Hotel and Conference Center. The program is designed for age 18 and over students with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The goal for each student participating in Project SEARCH is competitive employment. The program provides real-life work experience combined with training in employability and independent living skills to help students with disabilities make successful transitions from school to adult life. The student interns applied and interviewed for acceptance into Project SEARCH. The student interns have been working in areas such as banquet, laundry, food preparation, maintenance, housekeeping, human resources, and the front desk. At least four of the Project SEARCH students have already interviewed and received offers for paid positions at the hotel when their internships are complete.

## **Communications and Community Relations**

**Shana Wortham** updated the board on the upcoming community outreach and partnership events.

Frisco ISD will host a faith based leader breakfast in February. On March 1, FISD will host the second new parent to FISD orientation of the year. Also next month, on March 24, the District will host the Realtor breakfast.

Next Board Meeting: March 21