



Board Highlights

Frisco Independent School District

6942 Maple Street • Frisco, Texas 75034

Board Members: Renée Ehmke • Laura Ellison • Debbie Gillespie • John Hoxie • Anne McCausland • Buddy Minett • Dan Mossakowski

Regular Board Meeting - June 20, 2011

Recognitions

The Superintendent and Board recognized the outstanding service of retiring Board members Richard Beaver and Brenda Polk, who served the students of FISD for nine and six years on the Board, respectively.

Administering of Oath

Newly elected Board members Anne McCausland (place 4) and Debbie Gillespie (place 5) were issued their certificate of election, sang their statement of elected officer and took their oath of office.

Reorganization of the Board

The Board elected Dan Mossakowski as president; Renée Ehmke as vice president; and Laura Ellison as secretary.

Student Recognitions

The Board recognized the outstanding accomplishment of the Smith Elementary fifth grade Destination Imagination team that recently won first place at the Global Finals – a first in FISD. The fifth grade team members are Dilan Patel, Nyk Yaquab, Barrett Senn, Emma Bittner, Kendall Bowser and Sara Sinnathamby. The team, led by team manager, Sunita Patel, has been together for five years. See the news item on the FISD website at <http://www.friscoisd.org/news/DIGlobalwinnerJune11.htm>

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; budget amendments; payments to vendors, architects, and contractors; award for Preferred Approved Vendor List; extension of award for purchase of equipment and supplies for custodial department; extension of contract for temporary labor staffing for Child Nutrition and Custodial Department; vendors over \$50,000 for Maintenance Department; vendors over \$50,000 for Transportation Department; extension of contract for armored car services for Frisco ISD; extension of contract for purchase of full-line grocery; extension of worker's compensation contract; contract extension for lease storage space; central administration building workstations, furniture, fixtures and equipment; proposal for drug testing services; lighting project via interlocal agreement with Plano ISD; district grounds/maintenance equipment; non-uniform apparel purchases; National Intergovernmental Purchasing Alliance agreement; change order for Memorial Stadium track resurfacing project; contract extension for recycling services; maintenance agreement for security systems; extension of contract for wireless services; wireless purchases and installation for middle schools; purchases related to technology identity management project; purchases related to high school Language Other Than English (LOTE) labs; adoption of science supplemental instructional materials recommended by the 2011 FISD Science Supplemental Instructional Materials Committee; award of contract for internet based coursework for credit recovery program at the Student Opportunity Center and high school campuses; revisions to

Board Policy DEC (local): Compensation and Benefits- Leaves and Absences; and Board Local Policy Update 90.

Discussion of 2011-12 budget and proposed tax rate including opportunity for citizen input and action

Please see information regarding the budget approved by the Board.

The operating budget they approved - \$293,567,000 – is very near the current year approved budget and is lower than the amended current year budget. This approved budget should be able to be funded with no increase to the maintenance and operations tax rate. The budget reflects about \$8 million in previously approved cost-savings measures, about \$1.3 million in additional locally generated revenue and assumes the state funding will be at about a 6.6 percent reduction from current law this first year of the biennium (not including the one-year EduJobs funds). This does allow for hiring some personnel for growth and filling some essential positions that were open due to resignations/retirements. The debt service tax rate is proposed to increase three cents to 42 cents to cover the \$85.9 million debt service payment. The tax rate will not be approved until September. This is a tight budget but will accomplish the goals of the district and meet the needs of our students, which will include 3,500 more in the coming year. Administrators stated that you can't reduce spending in some areas and not see some impact on the quality of services we are accustomed to (see cost savings measures from May 23 special meeting). One citizen spoke to the Board related to a tax rate increase and cost-savings measures.

Vendor Contract to Supply Data Warehousing Solution

The Board awarded contract to DecisionEd to provide a data warehousing solution for Fisd for a total cost of \$665,323 utilizing bond funds.

Personnel

The Board approved the naming of Jina Eksaengsri as the Principal of Riddle Elementary School. She is currently the assistant principal, a position she has held since 2007. She began her teaching career in Fisd in 2004. She has a bachelor's degree from the University of Texas at Austin and a master's degree from Texas State University. Eksaengsri is replacing Rachel Taylor, who has decided to stay home with her baby.

The Board also approved updated language to the superintendent's contract which was extended in February through 2013-14.

Staff Reports

Curriculum and Instruction – Dr. Debra Nelson, Deputy Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, presented the final report on TAKS as it will be replaced by STAAR in the coming year. She showed current scores and longitudinal data and also touched on some changes in this year's accountability standards. *See PowerPoint.*

Business Operations – Richard Wilkinson, Deputy Superintendent for Business Operations, stated that last year the board approved a contract to stay with the district's current financial advisor through Southwest Securities. Within this contract, if no action is taken, the contract is extended for another year. He stated that we are pleased with their services and plan to allow the contract to be extended through June 21, 2012. He noted that in the contract (page 4) we can terminate this agreement with 30 days notice.

Level Three student/parent grievance appeal

The Board voted to uphold the Level II decision.

Next meeting – July 25