



Board Highlights

Frisco Independent School District

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

Regular Board Meeting, October 10 – 7:30 p.m., FISD Board Room

Strategic Planning – 5:30 p.m.

The Board discussed the following topics: Board Operating Procedures; marketing for money; student out-of-state travel; a one-time employee stipend as opposed to pay raise; timelines for potential tax ratification election and bond election; demographics and future building; review of services. During the planning session, the Board determined a couple of areas of the board operating procedures they would like to tweak. It was also determined that staff will research what other districts are doing and possibilities for generating revenue so the board will have more information in determining how far they might like to go in the area of advertising/fundraising efforts. There is a concern of negatively impacting the efforts of the Foundation or the parent/booster organizations, which will also be a consideration when looking into the matter. At this time out-of-state student travel will be suspended as part of cost-savings measures. Staff will also bring a proposal to the board for consideration regarding one-time stipends/bonuses (\$500-600), something districts look at in these times when pay raises are not possible. The report will show other districts who have done this and how. Richard Wilkinson, Deputy Superintendent for Business and Operations, reviewed possible timelines for future elections such as a TRE and a bond election. Next year the district will have to consider raising the maintenance and operations tax an additional four cents to the cap of \$1.04 per \$100 valuation. We are working with our financial advisor through refunding of bonds and other things to minimize any possible increases to the debt service tax rate. At that point, we may have to consider calling a Tax Ratification Election in 2013 as allowed by law to raise the tax rate above the cap. A bond election may be necessary in 2014 to prepare for additional construction needs in 2016 or 17. The current bond program will get us to 52,000 students, which we are projected to reach in 2015-16. Remaining funds will be needed for two high school additions in 2013; high school #7 in 2014; two elementary schools and a middle school in 2015; and three elementary schools, a middle school and a high school in 2016. This is six elementary schools less than what we thought we would need by 52,000 students when planning in 2006 – the secondary needs have accelerated so those funds would need to be reallocated to the 15th middle school and the 8th high school if projections stay on course. High school additions were already approved to expand the capacity at the existing high schools by 300 students, which in essence offsets the need for one additional high school. In reviewing services, all were happy with our current providers.

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; tax roll for 2011 tax year; tax roll maintenance; payments to vendors, architects, and contractors; recommendation of award for Preferred Approved Vendor list; nomination for Denton Central Appraisal District Board of Directors; miscellaneous grounds care and maintenance contracts; grounds keeping and pest control supplies proposals; annual security technology equipment proposal; parent representatives for School Health Advisory Council for 2011-2012; approval of newly revised job description/evaluation forms-Curriculum Facilitator, Curriculum Coordinator, Coordinator of Auxiliary Personnel, Director of Secondary Personnel.

Report on district policy and training in effort to prevent bullying/harassment

Mr. James Caldwell presented a PowerPoint presentation-*See PowerPoint*

Report on activities and fundraising of Frisco Education Foundation for 2010-2011

Mrs. Allison Miller presented a PowerPoint presentation-*See PowerPoint*

Public Hearing on Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) report for 2009-2010 school year

Dr. Rick Bankston presented a PowerPoint presentation-*See PowerPoint*

Discussion of issues related to construction

Mr. Wilkinson presented information about new campus construction -Comstock, Nichols, Phillips, and Vandeventer.

Consider and act on personnel recommendations—*Motion Passed*

Next regular meeting: November 14