



# Board Highlights

Frisco Independent School District

6942 Maple Street Frisco, Texas 75034

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## *Regular Board Meeting*

*August 9, 2010 – 7:30 p.m.*

*FISD Board Room*

## **Call to Order**

Pledges to the United States and Texas flags.

## **Board Presentations**

The Board honored Dodie Kasper from Liberty High School for being selected as 1 of 12 Texas teachers receiving the 2010 Outstanding Teaching of the Humanities Award. She has also been named as the Head for the House Fellows Program. It was announced that Dan Mossakowski, Board president, has been chosen for the TASB Leadership program.

## **Communications to and from the Board**

Three citizens spoke about concerns, including middle school courses for high school credit and the timeline for the GPA to count and transportation issues.

## **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; 2010 Certified Appraisal Roll; payments to vendors, architects, and contractors; awards for approved vendor list; deductive change order for Heritage High School; renewal of property/casualty insurance policy for 2010-2011 school year; newly developed job description/evaluation form for the position ESL Instructional Facilitator; temporary middle school transportation for Stafford Middle School for 2010-2011 school year; application for expedited waiver timeline for accelerated instruction; FISD board representation at 2010 TASB Delegate Assembly; board committee assignments for 2010-2011.

## **Public Hearing on Proposed Title I Expenditures for 2010-2011 School Year**

Mia Bennett gave a brief overview of the district Title I award and proposed expenditures. Members of the audience were provided an opportunity to ask questions. *See attached PowerPoint*

## **Discussion of difference between certified and estimated property values and budget implications**

Mr. Wilkinson updated the board on small differences between estimated values and certified values. Although the certified values dropped slightly, budget planners were so conservative in estimating frozen values that the district will actually see \$67,000 more in revenue. The impact on the TIF values and consequently the I&S fund balance is actually less than was estimated, as well. Mr. Wilkinson also stated that we are receiving \$3-3.5 million more in reimbursements from the state in hold harmless funds and that there is \$5 million in a TIF revenue account drawing interest that should have already been consolidated in the I&S fund. This additional \$8 million brings the I&S fund balance to \$18 million and will be a consideration when the I&S tax rate is set in September. The Board has been considering a three cent increase to the debt service tax rate, which would still call for using debt service fund balance. Factors to consider are how long the hold harmless money will keep coming and the fact that not raising the rate this year could mean a larger increase next year.

## **Discuss potential topics for planning and teambuilding and establish date and time**

A date in October or November will be set and with Dr. Cathy Bryce to be secured to facilitate teambuilding.



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## **Personnel Matters**

Dr. Linda Bass, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, presented her personnel report to the board. The Board approved all positions.

## **Staff Reports**

### **Dr. Debra Nelson, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction**

Dr. Nelson discussed the recent news that the district received the highest rating of Exemplary from the Texas Accountability rating system. FISD is the largest of the 72 districts in the state to receive this rating using the absolute standard. Dr. Nelson recognized the dedication of staff, students and parents in this accomplishment.

### **Richard Wilkinson, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations**

Mr. Wilkinson informed the board that all new schools were on schedule and ready to open this fall. Certificates of occupancy have been issued for all new schools. He also informed the Board that we will be prepared to move forward with an elementary school if it is believed to be necessary for next year.

### **Doug Zambiasi, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services**

Mr. Zambiasi informed the board of the date in which transfer appeals will be heard--August 17 at 6:30 p.m. He also informed them that this year's benefits package will include a lab card program.

### **Dr. Mike Waldrip, Assistant Superintendent of Program Evaluation and Assessment**

Dr. Waldrip gave an overview of the Accountability Ratings system and the indicators. *See attached Powerpoint*

### **Shana Wortham, Executive Director of Communications and Community Relations**

Mrs. Wortham informed the board that all board meetings will now be viewable via On Demand video, accessible through the board page at [www.friscoisd.org](http://www.friscoisd.org).

## **Dedication ceremonies**

September 12--Sonntag, 2 p.m. and Hunt, 4 p.m.

September 19--Purefoy, 2 p.m. and Maus 4 p.m.

October 3--Cobb, 2 p.m. and Lone Star, 4 p.m.