



Board Highlights

Frisco Independent School District

6942 Maple Street Frisco, Texas 75034

Board Members: Richard Beaver - Cindy DePaolantonio - Laura Ellison - Renee Ehmke - Dan Mossakowski - Buddy Minett - Brenda Polk

7:30 p.m., December 10, 2007 - Regular Meeting of the Board

Pledges to the United States and the Texas flags were led by CHS Senior Adam Washington.

Recognitions

State Qualifiers and National Honorees–

The Board recognized the outstanding efforts of the 2007-2008 Cross Country teams of Centennial High Boys, Frisco High Girls, Wakeland High Boys and Girls. *See attached resolutions* regarding their accomplishments. The Board also recognized the accomplishments of the Centennial High School broadcast journalism students at the national journalism convention. *See attached resolutions* for these students.

Staff Honor

The Board recognized Liberty High School Nurse Emily Mikeska and Health Sciences Teacher Lori Crusius for being recipients of the American Heart Associations Life Saver Award. These two reacted quickly in a life threatening situation when a student collapsed in the hallway during a class change at school. When they got to the student, Nurse Mikeska immediately began administering CPR. Teacher Crusius retrieved the AED and the machine indicated a shock was necessary as no heart beat was detected. They did and the student revived. The doctor later stated that there is no doubt these two saved his life.

Consent Agenda

These items are considered to be routine by the board and were approved under one motion: tax office reports; budget amendment; payments to vendors, architects and contractors, preferred approved vendor list; purchase of four band trailers; amendment to interlocal agreement for Educational Purchasing Cooperative of North Texas; change order for Briar Ridge Road project; approval of Innovative Course Application (Six innovative courses were approved in the Career and Technical Education area. Four are new courses and they are: Ready, Set, Teach! I; Culinary Arts I; Business Ethics; and Veterinary Medical Assistant II. Two are courses that are currently being taught, but are required for resubmission every few years. The two courses are Sports and Entertainment Marketing and Parent Education for School Age Parents I and II.); newly trained appraiser for PDAS for the 2007-2008 school year; job description/evaluation forms for parent liaison and truancy specialist; appointment of school board representative on the Tax Increment Finance Board (Richard Beaver).

Nomination for TASB Board, Region 10, Position B

The Board nominated fellow trustee Renee Ehmke, who is designated a master trustee, having completed the Leadership TASB program.

2006-2007 Financial Audit

Randy Howard CPA of Pingleton, Howard, and Company, P.C. reported on the outside audit which was conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. They found no instances of noncompliance and no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that they consider to be material weaknesses. The did note that the district is making progress in building the fund balance toward its 15 percent of budget goal (now 12.8 percent); the district will continue to work on its timely bank statements reconciliations which had gotten behind at one point during the year due to a personnel change.

Presentation on Use of Student Data Software

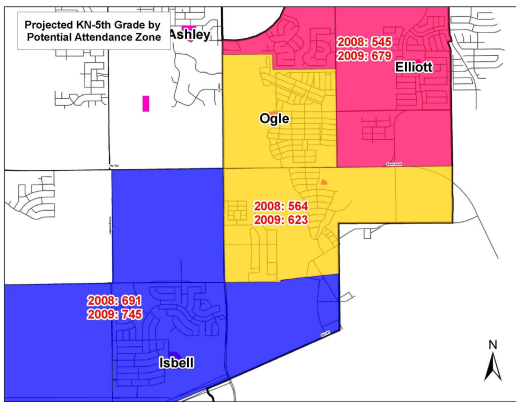
Director of School Improvement Kenny Chandler and Principals Katie Kordel (PHMS) and Chris Hernandez (Christie) presented on how campuses are using INOVA to change the way they are thinking about student achievement. *See attached PowerPoint for more detailed information.*

Rezoning Options

In October each year, FISD receives the updated fall projections and those numbers are used to draw the preliminary zones for review at the November Board meeting. Those proposals are communicated and input is taken from parents. An opportunity for citizen input is extended at the December regular board meeting as the Board moves toward making a final decision on the new boundaries at the January board meeting.

As staff develops the proposed plans, they take into consideration issues of student stability, effective utilization of space, proximity to the school, diversity of the student body and unity in the community. No one factor is more important than another in this process of formulating zones. As FISD grows larger, fewer schools are impacted by rezoning. Only five existing elementary schools out of 25 will be impacted by zoning changes this year and two out of seven middle schools. When making boundary decisions, the district looks at what zones will hold for the longest period of time.

Edris Childres Elliott Elementary is opening this fall and will allow for relief at Ogle and Isbell Elementary Schools. The new school, located at 3721 Hudson Crossing, McKinney, Texas 75070, is projected to enroll 545 students in the fall. Ogle’s enrollment is projected at 564, and Isbell’s is projected at 691. The neighborhoods proposed to attend Elliott Elementary are Aspendale, Boardwalk, Brookstone, Cascades at Stonebridge Ranch, Crescent Ridge Village, Harvest Bend, Ridge Road Estates, Villas at Eldorado Apartments and Wynngate Estates.

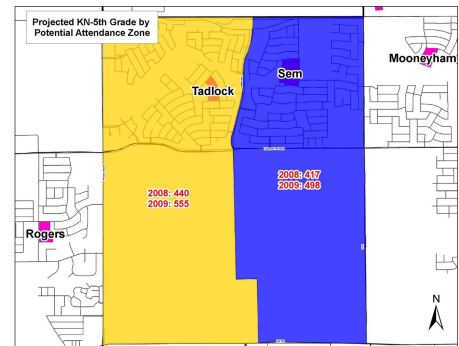


Ogle Elementary’s attendance zone under this scenario would be Craig Ranch North, Estates at Craig Ranch West, Hemmingway at Craig Ranch, Settlement at Craig Ranch, and Wellstone at Craig Ranch.

Isbell Elementary would serve Hunter’s Creek and Turnbridge Manor and the rural areas east of Independence Parkway, south of FM 3537/FM 720 to Custer Road, and areas south of Rolater Road extended east of Coit Road to the FISD/McKinney/Allen boundary and south to FM 121.

All three of these elementary schools will feed the new Scoggins Middle School which opens in 2008 under the proposed middle school zone scenario and would attend Liberty High School at this time.

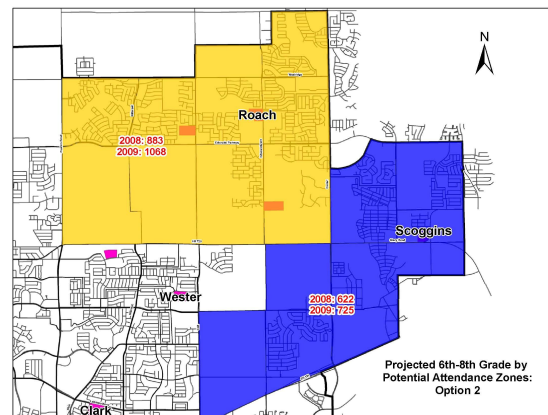
Polly Tadlock Elementary is opening this fall and will allow for relief at Sem Elementary School. The new school, located at 12515 Godfrey Drive, Frisco, Texas 75035, is projected to enroll 440 students in the fall. Sem’s enrollment is projected at 417. When the decision was made to build Tadlock Elementary, the projections for that area were 50-100 students higher at each of the potential zones; the district has been opening new schools with a bit larger enrollment as we have allowed schools to exceed capacity up to 860 in the year prior to the opening of a new elementary school. The neighborhoods proposed to attend Tadlock Elementary are Creekside at Preston, Dominion at Panther Creek/Village at Panther Creek and Latera, along with the rural areas east of Preston Road to Hillcrest Road and north of FM 3537 and north to the FISD/Prosper ISD boundary.



Sem Elementary zone will be Panther Creek Estates under this proposal, along with the rural areas east of Hillcrest Road to Coit Road and north of FM 3537 and north to the FISD/Prosper ISD boundary.

Tadlock and Sem, along with Mooneyham and Ashley, will continue to feed Roach Middle School. Students in 9-11 grade will continue to attend Wakeland High School in 2008-2009, with the seniors attending Frisco High.

Richard Scoggins Middle School is opening this fall and will allow for relief at Roach Middle School. The new school located at 7070 Stacy Road McKinney, TX 75070, is projected enroll 622 students in the fall. The enrollment at Roach is projected at 883. The schools proposed to feed Scoggins Middle School are Isbell Elementary, Ogle Elementary and the new Elliott Elementary.



Roach Middle School would be fed by Mooneyham Elementary, Ashley Elementary, Sem Elementary and the new Tadlock Elementary. An additional middle school will

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probably be needed in this eastern quadrant of the district in 2010 or so. *Roach and Scoggins will both feed Liberty High School in 2008-2009.*

Sue Wilson Stafford Middle School is opening this fall and will allow for relief at Griffin Middle School. The new school located at 2288 Little River Drive, Frisco, Texas 75034, is projected to enroll 555 students in the fall. The enrollment at Griffin is projected at 874. The elementary schools proposed to feed Stafford Middle School are Boals and Robertson, along with some of Pink Elementary (Christie Ranch, Knolls of Frisco, Newman Village, and the rural areas north of Eldorado Parkway, east of Teel to Legacy, north of Panther Creek to SH 380, east of Teel to the Tollway) and some of Carroll Elementary School (Cobb Farm, Estates at Cobb Hill and Village at Cobb Hill, along with all rural areas north of Eldorado Parkway).

Griffin Middle School would be fed by Corbell, Fisher and the subdivisions attending Pink and Carroll south of Eldorado Parkway.

An additional middle school will probably be needed in this western quadrant of the district in 2010 or so. *Stafford and Griffin Middle Schools will both feed Wakeland High in 2008-2009.*

Although boundary adjustments are usually made when a new school opens, at times the district must look at existing schools and make adjustments to ease crowding and better utilize space.

Smith Elementary School is becoming too large in enrollment based on its capacity. A few years ago, the **Marquee apartments** were rezoned from Curtsinger to Smith for this same reason. The district believes now that Curtsinger has more space and can better accommodate students from this area, so administrators are proposing to move the Marquee apartments **back to Curtsinger**. This would also change the middle school from Clark to Wester. The high school would remain the same – Centennial High. Students already attending Clark Middle School can complete middle school there if they choose. Current fourth graders at Smith can apply for a transfer to stay at Smith their fifth grade year if they so choose.

Students who may be affected by proposed zoning changes received information in take-home folders at the elementary level and attached to middle school report cards, with a phone message reminding parents to look for the information available in the communication, on the web, on the cable channel and at the school. Final decisions will be communicated as well.

Internal demographer Dennis Brent explained that he had received input from about seven parents – one who was pleased with the proposed zones, two seeking clarification, one questioning middle school transfer options and four concerned with the moving of Aspendale and Cascades to Elliott from Ogle. Dr. Reedy, Superintendent of Schools, stated that the proposed zones would work for three-four years in each school and that all options were considered and will continue to be considered. A speaker at the meeting discussed the zones for Stafford/Griffin and accessibility to Stafford. Dr. Reedy stated that the city is working to have Panther Creek Parkway extended to the tollway and Legacy extended to Panther Creek. If parents have questions or input regarding these options, please contact Brent at brentd@friscoisd.org or 469-633-6207. He will continue to compile all input and the Board will receive weekly updates of citizen comments prior to making a final decision in January.

Technology Issues

Executive Director Terry Cornelius stated that Dell has provided excellent prices for FISD computers again this year. The standard DIR price reflects a 10 percent discount, but staff negotiated an additional 30 percent discount for FISD. This year the district is scheduled to refresh the computers for the administration departments, which require specialized software, so staff is recommending refreshing in January and February while there is time for these detailed installations. The Board approved approving Dell as the vendor for administrative computers for a total of \$181,868.

Construction Issues

Scoggins Middle School – Hisaw Construction reported that measures have been taken to resolve timeline issues and that the building should be roofed for dry inside work by February 1. They will report back in January.

Elementary and Middle School redesign – Corgan Architects presented design options as they look to make modifications to incorporate elements favorable to the Board.

Long-range planning related to new administrative space- FISD is halfway to what is believed to be expected build out of the district. Employees are studying districts similar to this size to determine lessons learned and what their administrative staff and space looks like. These details are needed to determine the best course for FISD in finalizing office space to meet the needs of 50-60,000 students.

