



Inside Northside

BOARDTalk

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May 23, 2017

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Brian Woods reported to the Board:

- **Legislative Update.** The Legislative session is still underway and unfortunately many of the items most pressing to the 5.3 million children in Texas public schools have not yet been decided or acted upon, including funding for public schools and reform of the A-F Accountability system.
- **Together We Sing Concert.** The annual Together We Sing middle school choir concert brought together more than 1,300 students for a night of classic rock music. Elementary choir students were also able to attend. The new venue, at the Northside Sports Gym, worked out perfectly. Thank you to **James Miculka**, Director of Fine Arts, and middle school choir teachers.
- **Communities In Schools Luncheon.** Dr. Woods thanked the Board for their support and attendance at the Communities In Schools luncheon last week.
- **STEMFormation. Jones MS** was selected as a STEMFormation campus which is a three year investment in professional development with support from partners USAA, Discovery Education, and Texas ASCD. The announcement was made last week at a press conference.
- **Recognition and Retirement Celebration.** More than 525 employees were recognized for almost 11,500 years of service to Northside at the annual Recognition and Retirement Celebration held at **Brandeis HS**.
- **CCA Tiny Homes.** Seniors at **Construction Careers Academy** created four tiny homes that were sold last weekend for a combined total of over \$168,000. Congrats to the students on the quality of construction and their knowledge.
- **Mentathlon.** The annual Mentathlon for seventh grade GT students was held last week at the Sports Gym.
- **Graduations.** Northside graduation ceremonies begin next Wednesday, May 31, with the **Reddix Center**. This year 6,700 students will graduate in 12 ceremonies. The Class of 2017 has earned an impressive \$127 million in college scholarships.
- **Northside Video Moment.** The Northside Video Moment highlighted 40 years of excellence with the **Stevenson MS** band. To view the video, go to www.youtube.com/NorthsideISD.

Board Members' Report

- **Trustee Katie Reed** shared a letter she received from a Northside ISD patron thanking the District for creating an environment where their grandchild could be successful. Reed informed the Board that the Helotes Masonic Lodge recently awarded four scholarships to Northside seniors. She updated Trustees on the completion and submission of a Superintendent of the Year award nomination for Dr. Woods. She attended the **Construction Careers Academy (CCA) Tiny Homes Showcase** and commended the students for their work and said she enjoyed visiting with them.
- **Trustee Carol Harle** served as a judge at the CCA Tiny Homes Showcase and was impressed by both the students and teachers who had a part in the event. She recently attended a national Communities In Schools event in California where much praise was given to Northside ISD. She referenced the Restorative Circles utilized at **Rayburn MS** and the impact this initiative is having on that campus. She applauded those who organized the recent Recognition and Retirement Celebration held at **Brandeis HS** and specifically recognized the performance by the **Warren HS** Zero Hour choir.
- **Trustee Joseph Medina** attended the annual Mentathlon event and witnessed GT students competing as teams. Medina compared the great teamwork he witnessed to the teamwork shown by the NISD Board of Trustees. He also attended the Recognition and Retirement Celebration which he described as wonderful and memorable.

- **Trustee Gerald Lopez** praised participants of the Electrify Your Strings program and was very impressed by all of those who performed. Lopez attended the funeral service for **Taft HS** Principal **Tommy Garcia**. Lopez cited the impact Garcia had at Taft saying it was amazing and made NISD proud. Lopez also recognized **Wanke ES** on receiving the Lighthouse Certification as part of the Franklin Covey Leader in Me initiative. He congratulated the staff and students under the leadership of Principal **Claudia Lizcano**.
- **Trustee Karen Freeman** recognized the work of middle school band directors and the role they play during the formative years as students are beginning to learn musical instruments. Freeman was impressed by the CCA Tiny Homes Showcase and informed the Board that one of the homes auctioned was purchased by an organization that then donated the home to a wounded warrior.
- **Trustee Bobby Blount** reminded the Board of an annual training provided by Go Public for Trustees on June 21.
- **Trustee M'Lissa Chumbley** attended the **Holmes HS** Athletic Banquet held in the Northside Sports Gym. She shared her appreciation for former Holmes HS Coaches **Eddie Salas**, **Pete Padilla**, and **Ryne Miller** who were on hand for the event and she recognized new Holmes HS Head Coach **Juan Morales** for organizing the event. She informed Trustees that Dr. Woods was named an Honorary FFA Member at the recent **O'Connor HS** Agriculture Banquet. Chumbley and Dr. Woods visited the classroom of **Timberwilde ES** kindergarten teacher **Marian Hersum** to recognize her 45 years of service. The Holmes HS CTE Showcase was a remarkable success and Chumbley was very impressed at the level of skill and ability shown by the students. She congratulated teachers **Jill Thompson**, **Rachel Lovelady**, **Brandy Lopez**, and all the CTE teachers. She recognized the work of **Patty Hill**, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, **Barry Perez**, Executive Director of Communications, and **Monica Faulkenbery**, Assistant Director of Communications, for their work in facilitating the Recognition and Retirement Celebration. She thanked **Anthony Jarrett**, Executive Director of High School Instruction, for sharing with the Academics Committee the work on AP/Dual Credit classes and the OnRamps program with The University of Texas at Austin.

Trustees approve administrative appointments:

- **Sheila Yeager**, formerly academic dean at Jones MS, was appointed **Vice Principal** at **Ross MS**.
- **Ursula Silberschlag**, formerly teacher at Aue ES, was appointed **Vice Principal** at **Aue ES**.
- **Joshua Kuhlmann**, formerly teacher at Beard ES, was appointed **Vice Principal** at **Leon Springs ES**.
- **Audrey Sifuentes**, formerly vice principal at Howsman ES, was appointed **Vice Principal** at **Mead ES**.
- **Jessica Ruiz**, formerly language support teacher at Villarreal ES, was appointed **Vice Principal** at **Meadow Village ES**.
- **Raymond Macias**, formerly teacher at Myers ES, was appointed **Vice Principal** at **Ott ES**.
- **Reggie Ollendieck**, formerly physical education coordinator at Marshall HS, was appointed **Assistant Principal** at **Marshall HS**.
- **Louis Villarreal**, formerly administrative intern at Pease MS, was appointed **Assistant Principal** at **Jordan MS**.
- **Juliana Molina**, formerly administrative intern at Zachry MS, was appointed **Assistant Principal** at **Zachry MS**.

Three incumbents take oath of office

Katie N. Reed, District 5, Dr. Carol Harle, District 6, and Karen Freeman, District 7, were re-elected for additional four-year terms. All three were sworn in by Judge Sid Harle.

Trustees elect Chumbley as new Board President

Trustees elected M'Lissa Chumbley as the president of the School Board. Also, Carol Harle was elected Vice President and Gerald Lopez as Secretary.

Board representatives selected

Trustees voted on Board appointments to several organizations:

- 2017 TASB Delegate Assembly: Katie Reed as delegate with Joseph Medina as alternate
- Board representative to the Northside Education Foundation: Joseph Medina
- Northside representative to the TASB Board of Directors: Karen Freeman
- Board representative to the Bexar County School Boards Coalition: Gerald Lopez
- Representative to the National School Boards Association (NSBA): Gerald Lopez

Trustees will choose to serve on Board committees (Academics, Building, Finance, Technology, and Policy and Intergovernmental Relations), and committee chairpersons will be appointed by the Board president at the June 27 Board Meeting.

Board approves facilities items:

- Trustees approved:
 - Story Telling Design – **Kallison ES** – as presented by Garza Bomberger & Associates
 - Story Telling Design – **Knowlton ES** – as presented by Pfluger Associates Architects
 - Story Telling Design – **Timberwilde ES** – as presented by Shawn Kaarlsen & Associates
 - Interior Colors – Window Upgrades – **Colonies North ES** – as developed by Huckabee
 - Interior Colors – Cafeteria/Kitchen Renovation & Library Addition – **Knowlton ES** – as developed by Pfluger Associates Architects.
 - Interior Colors – Cafeteria/Kitchen Renovation & Library Addition – **Timberwilde ES** – as developed by Shawn Kaarlsen & Associates
 - Interior Colors – Competition Gym Flooring & Bleachers – **Neff MS** – as developed by Garza Architects, Inc.
 - MAC (Moving/Adding/Changing) Telecommunications Cabling – Various Campuses – 2017 Summer Portables – Alterman, Inc.
 - MAC (Moving/Adding/Changing) Telecommunications Cabling – Northside Sports Gym – Alterman, Inc.
 - Change Orders
 - Fire Alarm Replacement Contingencies and Allowances – **Taft HS** – (\$88,544.95)
 - CPS Gas Extension – **Mora ES** – \$84,191
- Trustees approved contractors for:
 - Administration Upgrades, Bus/Student Covered Walkway & Security Lobby – **Boone ES** – Central Builders, Inc.
 - 2017 Door Hardware – **Glass and Westwood Terrace** elementary schools and **Holmes HS** – Central Builders, Inc.
 - Fuel Station Improvements – Grissom Road – Pronto Sandblasting & Coating & Oil Field Services, Co., Inc.
 - Civil Improvements – Portable Relocations – **Glenn ES** – SBM General Contractor, LLC
 - Electrical Improvements – various campuses – 2017 Summer Portables – CRI Electric, Inc.
 - 2017 Summer Portable Relocations – various campuses – Dodson House Moving
 - Electrical Improvements – various campuses – 2017 Summer Portables – Consolidated Electric Service, Inc.
- Trustees approved construction delivery methods and consultants for various projects

Readings of policies

- First Reading of Local Policy DC
- First Reading of Local Policy FC
- First Reading of Local Policy FDB
- First Reading of Local Policy FFA

Bids for goods approved

Trustees approved the following bids: Food & Grocery Items for Child Nutrition; Canned/Bottled/Miscellaneous Beverages for Child Nutrition; Medical Equipment & Supplies; Bakery/Bread Items & Tortillas for Child Nutrition; and Fresh Produce Purchase & Delivery for Child Nutrition. Trustees approved the following purchase orders: Teaching Systems, Inc. for the purchase of Harlan HS Language Labs software packages; Netsync Solutions for the purchase of 5,000 virtualized desktop infrastructure (VDI) machines; Intech Southwest Services for the Excel Academy computer hardware deployment; AVID Center for the registration of District-wide personnel to attend the AVID 2017 Summer Institute; Encore Technology Group, LLC for the purchase of Cloud Full Federated Identity Suite Annual Subscription and Licenses; Indeco Sales, Inc. for the purchase of 21st Century Collaborative Style Furniture and Library Shelving for the Knowlton and Timberwilde elementary school libraries; and Layer 3 Communications, TX LLC and Netsync Network Solutions for the purchase of equipment required for the District's wireless network upgrade. For more information, contact Purchasing Director **George Ayala** at 397-8700.

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Board meeting information

NISD Trustees meet monthly in regular meetings on the fourth Tuesday of the month. They may also meet in Called Meetings for workshops, retreats, or to handle routine business. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the Board Room, 5900 Evers Road, unless otherwise posted. Meetings are open to the public. Agendas are posted on the NISD website, www.nisd.net. Citizens who wish to address the Board must sign up to speak just prior to the beginning of the Meeting.

Upcoming School Board Meeting(s): *(See posted agendas on website as dates, locations, and/or times may change.)*

- ☞ June 27, 2017, 7 p.m., Board Room, 5900 Evers Road
- ☞ July 25, 2017, 7 p.m., Board Room, 5900 Evers Road
- ☞ August 22, 2017, 7 p.m., Board Room, 5900 Evers Road