



Inside Northside **BOARD** *Talk*

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November 14, 2017

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Brian Woods reported to the Board:

- **Support for Sutherland Springs.** Dr. Woods thanked **Dr. Kimberly Ridgley**, Director of Guidance and Counseling, and NISD counselors who provided support, along with other ISDs, to school communities affected by the tragic shooting in Sutherland Springs.
- **Bond Committee Update.** The Citizens' Bond Committee has met twice and will continue to meet through November and a portion of December as they consider a potential bond proposal in 2018.
- **Volleyball and Football Playoffs.** This Friday night four football teams – **Brennan, Jay, O'Connor** and **Warren** – will play in the first round of playoffs. Also on Friday, O'Connor HS volleyball will play in the UIL State Volleyball Tournament for the first time in program history.
- **College Night.** Approximately 4,000 students and families attended the annual College Night at the UTSA Recreation Center. Thank you to Dr. Ridgley and high school counselors who organized the event.
- **Special Education Community Resource Fair.** Dr. Woods thanked **Krista Garcia**, Director of Special Education, and staff for their efforts in organizing the annual Resource Fair for families of students with disabilities.
- **Kallison ES Dedication.** Two weeks ago was the dedication of **Kallison ES**. Thank you to **Principal Billy Navin**, music teacher **Carrie Lewis**, Kallison ES teachers and staff, and the Communications and Fine Arts departments for their leadership of this event.
- **High School Bowling League Kickoff.** Last Monday was the kickoff to the high school bowling season, which is celebrating its 10th anniversary in NISD with hundreds of students participating on 12 high school teams.
- **Veterans Day Ceremonies.** Last Friday, many schools commemorated Veterans Day with recognitions and ceremonies. Dr. Woods was able to attend a ceremony at **Mireles ES** and the Northside Museum Association.
- **Northside Video Moment.** The Northside Video Moment highlighted the Caught You Reading initiative at **Fernandez ES**, the PTA School of Excellence celebration at **Murnin ES**, and the **Kallison ES** dedication. To view the video, go to www.youtube.com/NorthsideISD.

Board Members' Report

- **Trustee Carol Harle** enjoyed visiting with students who participate in the Girls on The Run club at **Glenoaks ES** which promotes critical skills like team-building and health and wellness. Harle attended An Evening With The Authors event hosted by the Friends of Northside Libraries at **Harlan HS** and enjoyed the opportunity to meet many engaging authors. **Kent Page**, environmental science instructional support teacher, was recognized by Harle for his work to coordinate a lesson on tree planting. Finally, Harle shared her appreciation to **Leon Springs ES** for inviting her father to speak at the campus Veterans Day ceremony. Harle expressed appreciation to all District campuses for their recognition of veterans.
- **Trustee M'Lissa Chumbley** was a guest reader for the character storybook day at **Fisher ES** and thanked Principal **Jeff Davenport** for inviting her to participate. Chumbley shared appreciation to **Kallison ES** Principal **Billy Navin**, Kallison ES staff, and the student performers who participated in the school's dedication event. Chumbley attended the District's high school bowling league kickoff and praised student participants and acknowledged former NISD Trustee **Lynn Britton** for his work in organizing the league. Several individuals have shared with Chumbley their positive response to the District's Citizens' Bond Committee. She recognized the work of Dr. Woods, Deputy Superintendent for Business & Finance **David Rastellini**, and Assistant Superintendent for Facilities and Operations **Leroy San Miguel** for their committee presentations.

- **Trustee Joseph Medina** wished all District staff and families a safe and restful Thanksgiving break.
- **Trustee Katie Reed** attended several Town Hall meetings hosted by local elected officials. Reed shared appreciation to the many members of the Kallison family who attended the recent dedication of **Kallison ES**. Reed commended **Construction Careers Academy** on their designation as a Department of Labor apprenticeship program.
- **Trustee Bobby Blount** recognized the **Holmes HS** and **Michael ES** communities for their ongoing support of the NISD Soccer League. He specifically recognized the role the high school students have played in coaching and mentoring the elementary students.

Trustees approve administrative appointments:

- **Jennifer Bock**, formerly vice principal at Galm ES, was appointed **Principal** at **Glass ES**.
- **Roxanne Gutierrez**, formerly vice principal at Linton ES, was appointed **Principal** at **Villarreal ES**.
- **Delia Soto**, formerly math specialist at Leon Valley ES, was appointed **Vice Principal** at **Ellison ES**.
- **Kristina Diaz**, formerly administrative intern at Passmore ES, was appointed **Vice Principal** at **Raba ES**.
- **Brandon Masters**, formerly administrative intern at Pease ES, was appointed **Assistant Principal** at **Briscoe MS**.
- **Javier Lazo**, formerly administrative intern at Rayburn ES, was appointed **Assistant Principal** at **Rayburn MS**.

Recognitions

- **Rayburn MS principal recognized for state award**
Dr. Scott McKenzie, principal at **Rayburn MS**, has been selected as the Region 20 Middle School Principal of the Year by the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals (TASSP). He will now be considered for the Texas State Principal of the Year Award. Regional winners will be recognized at a dinner in June 2018.
- **Glenoaks ES teacher recognized for ExCEL award**
Rosio Martinez-Apolinar, a fourth grade teacher at **Glenoaks ES**, is the 2017-18 KENS5 ExCEL Award Winner for NISD. The ExCEL Award is given to one outstanding teacher in each school district in the San Antonio area by KENS5 TV and Human Credit, who presented Apolinar with a silver apple and a \$1,000 check.
- **Stinson MS teacher recognized as Region 20 ESL Teacher of the Year**
Jessica Williams, an ESL teacher at **Stinson MS**, was honored at the 2017 Region 20 W.O.R.L.D. Language Conference as the ESL Teacher of the Year. The award was established to recognize the efforts of outstanding educators teaching in the ESL classroom setting within the ESC-20 area.

Board approves facilities items:

- Trustees approved contractors for:
 - Paving Upgrades – Human Resources – SBM General Contractor, LLC
 - Paving and Drainage Upgrades – **Rawlinson MS** and **Northside Children’s Center** – R.L. Rohde General Contracting, Inc.
 - PE/Athletics Dressing/Locker Room AC Installation – **Jordan MS** – International Mechanical Services, Inc.
 - Playground Upgrades – **Allen, Cable, Carnahan, Nichols** and **Northwest Crossing** elementary schools – Pronto Sandblasting & Coating & Oil Field Services Co., Inc.
 - Playground Upgrades – **Behlau, Glenoaks, Murnin, Valley Hi**, and **Villarreal** elementary schools – Pronto Sandblasting & Coating & Oil Field Services Co., Inc.
 - Playground Upgrades – **Boone, Brauchle, Burke, Carson**, and **Scobee** elementary schools – SBM General Contractors, LLC
 - Playground Upgrades – **Cody, Meadow Village, Powell**, and **Westwood Terrace** elementary schools – Pronto Sandblasting & Coating & Oil Field Services Co., Inc.
- Trustees approved schematic designs for:
 - Cafeteria/Kitchen Renovations at **Marshall HS** as presented by Garza Bomberger & Associates
 - Window Upgrades & ADA Work at **Glass ES** as presented by Marmon Mok Architecture
 - Canopy Upgrades at **Scobee ES** as presented by Chesney Morales Partners, Inc.
- Trustees approved a Construction Manager-at-Risk for Building Replacement at **Rayburn MS** – Turner Construction, Inc.

Board approves 2017 Tax Roll

Trustees approved the 2017 Tax Roll as required by the Bexar County Tax Assessor-Collector. The value of taxable property in Northside is \$52,733,190,078.

NISD seeks class-size waivers for 23 elementary classrooms

Trustees gave approval for the District to seek class-size waivers for 23 classrooms across the District in kinder to fourth grade. State law mandates a 22:1 ratio of students to teacher in kindergarten through fourth grades. A waiver is required by law should a K-4 class exceed 22:1.

Bids for goods approved

Trustees approved the following bids: Custodial & Maintenance Equipment Repair; Drug Testing and Post-Offer Physicals; and Excess Workers Compensation Insurance. Trustees approved the following purchase orders: Carahsoft Technology Corporation for District's Drupal-Platform Internet and Intranet sites; Vista Higher Learning Inc. for six-year license agreement for Spanish 4 AP course test prep workbooks; Texas Association of School Boards for monthly Medicaid processing fee for use of Site-Based Medicaid Administration, Reimbursement, and Tracking (SMART) software; Intech Southwest Services LLC for desktops, monitors, and laptops for Helotes ES technology deployment; and Layer 3 Communications TX LLC for Aruba Mobility Master Appliance. 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.)

- 📅 December 12, 2017, 7 p.m., Board Room, 5900 Evers Road
- 📅 January 9, 2018, 7 p.m., Board Room, 5900 Evers Road
- 📅 January 23, 2018, 7 p.m., Board Room, 5900 Evers Road