

Northside Independent School District
Board Room • 5900 Evers Road • San Antonio, Texas 78238

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
August 23, 2016
7:00 p.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Katie Reed, M'Lissa Chumbley, Dr. Carol Harle, Joseph H. Medina, Gerald B. Lopez, Robert Blount, Jr., Karen Freeman

STAFF PRESENT: Brian Woods, David Rastellini, Ray Galindo, Leroy San Miguel, Patty Hill, Lori Jones, Wesley Scott, Henry Acosta, Anthony Jarrett, Pascual Gonzalez, Stan Laing

I. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Katie Reed.

II. Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance

Carol Harle led the Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance.

III. Public Hearings

There were no hearings scheduled for this meeting.

IV. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Woods reported on the following:

- Last week ten back-to-school Convocations were held at Brennan HS. Dr. Woods thanked Trustees for their attendance. He also recognized Pascual Gonzalez, Executive Director of Communications, the Communications Department, James Miculka, Director of Fine Arts, and the Fine Arts Department for their efforts in producing the meaningful and enjoyable events.
- On the first day of school, Dr. Woods attended the opening of Cole and Fields elementary schools, the District's 76th and 77th elementary schools. Both namesakes greeted students and families.
- Dr. Woods noted the finalization of the 2016-17 budget which provides a good balance between budgeting conservatively for future uncertainty and dealing with growth and improved compensation and programming. He thanked Deputy Supt. for Business and Finance David Rastellini, Assistant Supt. Wesley Scott, staff, and the Board for their work on the budget process.

The Northside Video Moment highlighted opening day at Northside's newest schools – Cole and Fields Elementary Schools.

V. Board Members' Report

- Trustee Katie Reed noted that volleyball season has begun and football starts next week. She congratulated Pascual Gonzalez on his retirement and noted "The Godfather of School PR" movie poster and comments from Convocations.
- Trustee Bobby Blount echoed congratulations and accolades for Pascual Gonzalez and noted that NISD's reputation for excellence is felt statewide.
- Trustee Joseph Medina recognized all the summer planning that happens to get schools started on time and noted that Meet the Teacher nights are well attended and important. He said that Convocations were the perfect mix of messaging and entertainment. He congratulated the seniors who graduated this summer and applauded their persistence and determination to get their high school diplomas.
- Trustee M'Lissa Chumbley acknowledged the leadership in the Human Resources, Fine Arts, Athletics, Communications, and Facilities departments on hiring staff and getting schools and facilities ready for the first day of school, as well as supporting Convocations.
- Trustee Dr. Carol Harle said that it was her honor to be at Cole and Fields elementary schools to witness the excitement of the first day of school. She especially liked the interaction between the namesakes and families.
- Trustee Gerald Lopez shared information about the successful Holmes HS feeder schools Block Walk where 600 teachers fanned out and welcomed their students by knocking on doors, introducing themselves, and delivering goodie bags. He congratulated the seniors who graduated this summer and praised them for persevering. He also praised the high standards of the Fine Arts Department and leadership which is evident in student performances.
- Trustee Karen Freeman noted that Randy Fields, school namesake, said that the most important priority we have in NISD is the students. He said this while welcoming children to school on the first day. She also reported that among the big goals of the Texas Association of School Boards is to have trustees embrace social media to share information about public education and stay in communication with their communities.

VI. Recognitions

There were no recognitions scheduled for this meeting.

VII. Reports

There were no reports scheduled for this meeting.

VIII. Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes from the Meetings of July 16, July 26, August 2 and August 16, 2016
- B. Disbursements for the Month of July 2016
- C. Awarding of Bid Items
 - RFP #2016-169 – Roof Repair & Replacement-IDQ
 - Bid #2016-151 – On-Line Auction Services
 - Bid #2016-152 – Curriculum & Instructional Supplies

- Bid #2016-170 – Baseball/Softball/Track Equipment
- Bid #2016-171 – Electrical Supplies & Services
- Bid #2016-172 – Concert/Guard/Dance/Spirit Uniforms & Accessories
- Bid #2016-173 – Sheet Music & Music Materials
- Bid #2016-174 – Pool Chemicals

Requisition #16056869 to N2 Learning in the amount of \$82,500.00. During the 2012-13 school year, Northside ISD contracted with N2 Learning to facilitate the work of middle school principals. N2 Learning designed the Northside model based on campus principal needs and collaboration now spans K-12.

We are including the last two cohorts of elementary principals in 2016-17.

Requisitions #16050577 & #16060787 to Mindwork Resources in the amount of \$222,130.00 to further support academic enrichment for students in the Learning Tree After School Program using hands on project based approach.

- D. Commitment of Fund Balance Resolution
- E. College Board Assessment Suite 2016-17
- F. Interlocal Agreement between City of San Antonio (San Antonio Metropolitan Health District) and Northside Independent School District
- G. 2016-17 School Health Advisory Council (SHAC)
- H. 2016-17 School Boundary Advisory Committee (SBAC)
- I. Second Reading and Adoption of Policy CV (LOCAL)

On a motion by M'Lissa Chumbley and a second by Karen Freeman, the Consent Agenda Items were unanimously approved as presented.

IX. Citizens To Be Heard

Gabriel Lara, candidate for Precinct 1 County Commissioner, introduced himself to Trustees.

X. Curriculum and Instruction

- A. Application for State Waiver for Timeline for Accelerated Instruction

On a motion by Karen Freeman and a second by Carol Harle, Trustees unanimously approved the application for state waiver for timeline for accelerated instruction. This waiver will allow the District to adjust the timeline for providing accelerated instruction requirement for placement in or promotion to the next grade level. This waiver is limited to students who fail the third administration of the grade 5 or 8 STAAR reading and/or math test.

XI. Facilities and Operations

- A. Schematic Design – Renovations – Northside Activity Center

The schematic design for renovations at the Northside Activity Center as presented by Richard Sanchez Architects, Inc. was unanimously approved on a motion by M'Lissa Chumbley and a second by Carol Harle.

State Sen. Jose Menendez, District 26, presented Pascual Gonzalez with a Texas Senate resolution commending him for his outstanding service on behalf of Northside ISD and his notable career in education spanning four decades. Sen.

Menendez remarked on the phenomenal job that Pascual has done taking care of the families in the Northside community. He extended his congratulations and sincere best wishes for a well-deserved retirement.

B. Schematic Design – Renovations – Paul Taylor Field House

The schematic design for renovations at the Paul Taylor Field House as presented by Garza Bomberger & Associates was unanimously approved on a motion by Karen Freeman and a second by M'Lissa Chumbley.

C. Schematic Design – 2017 Security Lobbies for (9) Elementary Schools – Adams Hill, Allen, Beard, Braun Station, Forester, Hoffmann, Knowlton, Timberwilde and Villarreal Elementary Schools

The schematic design for security lobbies at Adams Hill, Allen, Beard, Braun Station, Forester, Hoffmann, Knowlton, Timberwilde and Villarreal elementary schools as presented by Nextgen Architects was unanimously approved on a motion by Carol Harle and a second by M'Lissa Chumbley.

XII. Business and Financial Services

A. 2015-16 Amended Budget

Following review, the Board unanimously approved the Amended Budget for 2015-16 as submitted on a motion by Gerald Lopez and a second by M'Lissa Chumbley.

B. Certified Appraisal Rolls for Northside Independent School District

Certified Appraisal Rolls from Bexar County, Bandera County, and Medina County Appraisal Districts for tax year 2016 for the Northside ISD were approved on a 7-0 vote on a motion by Gerald Lopez and a second by Carol Harle.

C. Adoption of 2016-17 Budget

A Public Meeting was held on August 16, 2016 for the 2016-17 Proposed Budget and Tax Rate. The General Fund Budget included \$883,307,897 in expenditures and \$839,887,376 in revenues. The Child Nutrition Fund budget is \$54,690,435 and a like amount in revenues. The Debt Service Fund budget required \$156,584,054 in expenditures and projects revenues and other resources of \$158,781,079. Special Revenue Fund budgets, which include federal grant money, are estimated at \$56,075,492 and the Capital Projects Fund budget is \$148,000,000. Total estimated expenditures for all budgets are \$1,298,657,878. The 2016-17 Budget was unanimously approved on a motion by Gerald Lopez and a second by Carol Harle.

D. Effective Tax Rate and Rollback Tax Rate for the Year 2016 for Northside Independent School District

The 2016 effective tax rate (\$1.299847 per \$100 assessed value) and the rollback tax rate (\$1.377481 per \$100 assessed value), as calculated by the Tax Assessor-

Collector, were approved on a 7-0 vote on a motion by Gerald Lopez and a second by Carol Harle.

- E. Consideration and Approval of an Ordinance fixing and levying the Northside Independent School District ad valorem taxes for the year 2016-2017; directing the assessment and collection thereof, and other matters in connection therewith

Gerald Lopez moved that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of the tax rate of \$1.375500, which is effectively a 5.82 percent increase in the tax rate. Motion was seconded by Carol Harle. Katie Reed, M'Lissa Chumbley, Carol Harle, Joseph Medina, Gerald Lopez, Bobby Blount and Karen Freeman voted approval.

XIII. Human Resources

There were no items for this meeting.

XIV. Technology Services

There were no items for this meeting.

XV. Administration

There were no items for this meeting.

XVI. Superintendent

- A. Board Member Attendance at Council of Urban Boards of Education (CUBE) 49th Annual Conference, NSBA Advocacy Institute, and 2017 Texas Caucus of Black School Board Members Education Summit

Board Policy BBG (LOCAL) states that attendance at required training sessions and at the annual conference of TASB and NSBA qualifies for reimbursement. In order to qualify for reimbursement, all other Board member travel must be authorized by action of the Board. On a motion by Karen Freeman and a second by Bobby Blount, Board member attendance at the Council of Urban Boards of Education (CUBE) 48th Annual Conference, NSBA Advocacy Institute, and 2017 Texas Caucus of Black School Board Members Education Summit was unanimously approved.

- B. Board Operating Procedures

On a motion by Joseph Medina and a second by M'Lissa Chumbley, Trustees unanimously approved the Board Operating Procedures as presented.

- C. 2016-17 Board-Superintendent Goals

On a motion by M'Lissa Chumbley and a second by Gerald Lopez, Trustees unanimously approved the following 2016-17 Board-Superintendent Goals:

Curriculum and Instruction

- Maintain current performance levels on each state assessment at 2016-17 student standards.
- Improve the performance of special education students by 5% on reading and math at each grade level of state assessments.
- Increase by 5% ELL students who meet the state exit criteria for the bilingual program.
- Develop and begin implementation of a multi-year plan to update and expand current CATE programming to align with student choice and workforce needs.
- Design expanded opportunities and ensure access to advanced placement, dual credit and other enriched learning experiences.
- Conduct periodic review of major programs including Athletics, Fine Arts, and Career and Technology for both curriculum and facilities.
- Develop models for measurement of student growth in regards to T-TESS.

Administration

- Continue improving four-year graduation rates with particular attention paid to ELL students.
- Monitor implementation of T-TESS and T-PESS at all campuses. Continue refinement of administrative regulations in this regard.

Business and Finance

- Align fiscal resources to support the District's core mission and maintain a strong financial position.
- Provide strategic planning models to ensure sustainable budgets and long term financial stability.
- Maximize tax savings opportunities to ensure future debt capacity to support the long term growth of the District.

Human Resources

- Continue the implementation of a plan for minority recruiting, hiring, and career progression.
- Maintain a compensation package and a benefits plan that are competitive.
- Recruit subject area teachers with master's degrees to support the expansion of dual credit opportunities for students.

Communications

- Establish a timeline and lay the foundation for a possible School Bond 2018.
- Educate the staff and community about the challenges facing NISD, as well as the successes using traditional and social media.
- Communicate regularly with local, state, and federal elected officials who represent NISD's interests.
- Implement and evaluate engagement activities with new and existing school, business, and community partners and Northside Education Foundation.

Technology Services

- Review the District's policies and practices related to data security and privacy to ensure the appropriate controls are in place to protect personal data that is collected, used, shared and stored.

- Implement a system that employs timely deployment, training and effective use of instructional technology.
- Successfully implement teacher and student mobile device program for NISD.

Facilities and Operations

- Provide regular updates on bond progress to the community.
- Continue to develop and implement short and long-term Capital Improvement program for both bond-funded and general operating-funded work.
- Begin development of possible 'Bond 2018' projects for Board and eventual community consideration.

D. Future Agenda Items

Superintendent Woods and the Board discussed possible agenda items for future Board meetings. No action was required.

XVII. Executive Session

If, during the course of any duly posted meeting, the Board of Trustees determines that a closed or executive session is required regarding an item posted on the Agenda, that session will be held on any or all subjects and purposes permitted by Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, 551.084 of the Government Code (the Open Meetings Law). If a final vote is required on any matter considered in the closed or executive session, it shall be taken either upon the reconvening of the public session covered by this notice or at a subsequent, duly posted, public meeting as the Board shall determine.

President Reed announced that, in accordance with Texas Government Code, Sections 551.072, and 551.074, the Board would convene in closed session at 9:15 p.m. to discuss the following:

- A. Sites
- B. Appointment of Vice Principal at Henderson Elementary School
- C. Appointment of Vice Principal at Mary Hull Elementary School
- D. Appointment of Executive Director of Communications

XVIII. Any required action by the Board concerning matters considered in closed meeting will be taken in open session.

- A. Appointment of Vice Principal at Henderson Elementary School
- B. Appointment of Vice Principal at Mary Hull Elementary School
- C. Appointment of Executive Director of Communications

The Board reconvened into open session at 10:00 p.m. and took the following action:

Item B

This item was pulled for action at the September Board meeting.

Items A and C

On a motion by M'Lissa Chumbley and a second by Bobby Blount, Trustees unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendations for the following administrative appointments:

- Lillyana Hinojosa, special education teacher at Henderson ES, was named Vice Principal at Henderson ES.
- Barry Perez, Principal at Folks Middle School, was named Executive Director of Communications.

XIX. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:01 p.m.

Signature on File
Dr. Carol Harle, Board Secretary