

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

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
October 25, 2016
7:00 p.m.

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

TRUSTEE ABSENT: Dr. Carol Harle

STAFF PRESENT: Brian Woods, Janis Jordan, David Rastellini, Ray Galindo, Leroy San Miguel, Wesley Scott, Patty Hill, Lori Jones, Henry Acosta, Barry Perez

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

Joseph Medina led the Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance.

III. Public Hearings

A. School Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST)

David Rastellini, Deputy Superintendent for Business and Finance, reported that Senate Bill 218 of the 77th Legislature authorized the implementation of a financial accountability rating system, which is officially referred to as School FIRST. The School FIRST rating is based upon an analysis of staff and student data reported for the 2014-15 school year, and budgetary and financial data for the 2015 fiscal year. Northside received the highest rating of "Superior" for the 14th year in a row. No Board action was required.

IV. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Woods reported on the following:

- Recently Eva Longoria from Cody ES was recognized at the Texas Teacher of the Year luncheon in Austin as the Region 20 Elementary Teacher of the Year. This is the eighth consecutive year NISD has had a representative among the 40 best teachers in the state.
- Brauchle ES Principal Adriana Garza, Brauchle ES teacher Deanna Demers, and retired Deputy Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction Dr. Linda Mora were congratulated on their awards from the Texas Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (TASCD).

- O'Connor HS hosted the annual Ag in Action event for almost 1,400 fourth graders earlier this month. High school students serve as tour guides and presenters, showing the younger students different facets of agriculture.
- The Jay HS PTSA hosted its first National Night Out event which was attended by over 700 students, families, and community members.
- Dr. Woods attended the Noche Cultural event at Esparza ES and complimented the grade-level performances. The community support for this campus event was tremendous.
- Last week was the 25th Anniversary celebration for Leon Springs ES. Principal Kathy Dodge Clay and her staff were thanked for their efforts in making the evening a success.
- The San Antonio Youth Literacy Luncheon and panel on third grade literacy was held recently. Dr. Woods thanked the Board for their attendance at this event.
- All 10 high school marching bands qualified for the UIL Area H Marching Contest to be held on Oct. 29 at Farris Stadium.
- Gerald Lopez was thanked for his attendance at a recent Fast Growth School Coalition luncheon with legislators and staff.
- The annual College Night was held at the UTSA Recreation and Wellness Center. Dr. Kimberly Ridgley, Director of Guidance and Counseling, and her staff were thanked for organizing this important and well-attended event for NISD families.

The Northside Video Moment highlighted the District's recent recognition as a leader in the use of propane in our bus fleet. The national nonprofit Propane Education and Research Council (PERC) recognized NISD in a recent ceremony at Passmore ES with special guest, former first daughter and PERC spokesperson Jenna Bush Hager.

V. Board Members' Report

Katie Reed recognized the Ag in Action program at O'Connor HS and the positive experience it provides to elementary students. She attended the 25th anniversary celebration at Leon Springs ES and spoke to the history of this campus. She also attended the library-naming ceremony held at Rhodes ES to honor retired principal Robert D. Lehr and complimented the student performers at the event.

Bobby Blount participated in the Arts in San Antonio Campaign and gained a new appreciation and understanding of the process of supporting the arts.

Joseph Medina recognized the work of the Jay HS and Jay Science and Engineering Academy community for the work put into organizing and hosting its National Night Out event. He attended the Hatchett ES Night at the Museum PTA event and indicated how much he enjoyed it. He also attended Noche Cultural at Esparza ES and congratulated principal Billy Navin for hosting this well-organized event.

M'Lissa Chumbley recently spoke at Health Careers HS regarding a newly-developed mentoring program. She expressed gratitude to Business Careers HS staff member Jan Breitbarth for readily accepting additional responsibilities in

facilitating the USAA mentoring program with BCHS. She commended Trustee Karen Freeman for her diligence in adhering to a recommendation made by TASB to utilize social media in promoting district events.

Gerald Lopez felt positive, after attending the Fast Growth School Coalition luncheon, that legislators in attendance heard the concerns shared with them on behalf of the Coalition districts. He applauded the work of James Miculka, Director of Fine Arts, and all of the high school band directors for their recent performances at the UIL Marching Competition qualifier. He also commended the students and their parents who participated in this event.

Karen Freeman recognized the parents of the high school marching bands and the support they all showed at the UIL Marching Contest qualifier. She indicated she had recently testified before the House Public Education Committee on behalf of the Texas Association of School Boards and Northside ISD regarding the issue of school choice. During her testimony she referenced Warren HS teacher Mary Lagleder and congratulated her on being recognized as the 2016 Texas History Teacher of the Year by the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History.

VI. Recognitions

- A. Deborah Austin, Texas Health Occupation Association Experienced Teacher of the Year
- B. Rubi deHoyos, Finalist for President Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching
- C. Ellison ES and Folks MS, 2016-18 National PTA Schools of Excellence
- C. David Rastellini, Recipient of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

Debbie Austin, teacher and department coordinator at Health Careers HS, was named the Texas Health Occupation Association Experienced Teacher of the Year. Rubi deHoyos, science academic support teacher at Martin ES, was named a Texas Finalist for the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching program. A Certificate of Recognition was presented by Supt. Woods and Trustees to Ms. Austin. Ms. deHoyos was not present. Family and staff members present to support the honoree were also recognized.

Ellison ES and Folks MS were named 2016-18 National PTA Schools of Excellence and are among 173 schools from across the country to receive this special recognition. The award is given to PTAs for their achievements in building strong family-school partnerships as part of the National PTA's ongoing efforts to increase family engagement in education.

David Rastellini, Deputy Superintendent for Business and Finance, was presented an Award of Financial Reporting Achievement as the individual primarily responsible for preparing Northside's award-winning comprehensive annual financial report.

VII. Reports

There were no reports for this meeting.

VIII. Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes from the Meeting of September 27, 2016
- B. Disbursements for the Month of September 2016
- C. Awarding of Bid Items
 - RFP #2016-207 – Translation Services
 - Bid #2016-200 – Ice Cream
 - Bid #2016-205 – Uniform Cleaning for Middle & High Schools
 - Bid #2016-206 – Athletic Equipment & Supplies
 - Bid #2016-208 – Calculators & Accessories
 - Bid #2016-209 – Maps & Globes
 - Bid #2016-212 – Printing Supplies, Equipment & Services
 - Bid #2016-214 – Elementary Music Equipment & Materials
 - Bid #2016-215 – Science Lab Equipment
 - Bid #2016-218 – Fire Extinguisher Maintenance
 - Requisition #17004921 to ProQuest LLC in the amount of \$62,260.00. ProQuest Texas student reference package provides access to 6,435+ full-text magazines and journals, books, reports, newspapers, medical resources, professional educator resources, images, audio, video, and professional papers covering the arts, business, career and technology education, health, history, literature, languages, science, technology and social studies.
 - Requisition #17005605 to Texas Interpreters Fellowship in the amount of \$55,000.00. Northside ISD uses agency sign language interpreters to cover assignments for deaf and hard-of-hearing students, staff and families that the Northside ISD staff interpreters are unable to cover due to the volume of requests and the schedules of AI students.
- D. Investment Portfolio Report
- E. 2016-2017 Bilingual/ESL Education Exception and Waiver Application to Texas Education Agency
- F. T-TESS Outside Appraisers
- G. Second Reading and Adoption of Local Policy Revisions in TASB Policy Update #105
- H. Second Reading and Adoption of Policy DBAA (Local)
- I. Contractor for 2015 Hail Damage Roof Repairs – RFCSP #2016-203

Consent Agenda items were unanimously approved on a motion by Gerald Lopez and a second by Bobby Blount. Board action included the appointment of Port Enterprises as contractor for 2015 hail damage roof repairs.

IX. Citizens To Be Heard

A patron requested the moving of a bus stop on Hoof Lane due to early morning noise and traffic backup.

X. Curriculum and Instruction

- A. Official District Instructional Materials Committee

On a motion by M'Lissa Chumbley and a second by Gerald Lopez, Trustees unanimously approved the membership of the District Instructional Materials Committee as presented.

XI. Facilities and Operations

A. Schematic Design – Administration Upgrades & Canopy Modifications – Boone Elementary School

On a motion by Karen Freeman and a second by Bobby Blount, the schematic design for the administration upgrades and canopy modifications at Boone ES was unanimously approved as presented by Garza Architects, Inc.

B. Schematic Design – Cafeteria/Kitchen Renovation & Library Addition – Knowlton Elementary School

On a motion by M'Lissa Chumbley and a second by Karen Freeman, the schematic design for the cafeteria/kitchen renovation and library addition at Knowlton ES was unanimously approved as presented by Pfluger Architects.

C. Schematic Design – Cafeteria/Kitchen Renovation & Library Addition – Timberwilde Elementary School

On a motion by Karen Freeman and a second by M'Lissa Chumbley, the schematic design for the cafeteria/kitchen renovation and library addition at Timberwilde ES was unanimously approved as presented by Shawn Kaarlsen & Associates.

D. Schematic Design – School Building Replacement – John Glenn Elementary School

On a motion by Karen Freeman and a second by Bobby Blount, the schematic design for the school building replacement at John Glenn ES was unanimously approved as presented by LPA, Inc.

E. Construction Manager-at-Risk – Auditorium Replacement Project – Holmes HS - RFP #2016-177

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

XII. Business and Financial Services

A. Budget Amendment #1 for School Year 2016-17

Budget Amendment #1 for 2016-17 was unanimously approved on a motion by Gerald Lopez and a second by Bobby Blount. The Budget Amendment reflected adjustments related to one-time requests to carry forward budgets for various programs, campuses and departments. This amendment resulted in a net increase in appropriations of \$23,136,009 and a net increase in revenue of \$3,808,417 for the General Fund. These changes result in a net decrease to the Fund balance of \$19,327,592.

B. Consideration and Approval of an Order authorizing the issuance by the Northside Independent School District of its Fixed Rate Unlimited Tax School Building and Refunding Bonds in one or more series (as further designated by

purpose and series); levying a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax for the payment of one or more series of bonds; prescribing the form, terms, conditions, and resolving other matters incident and related to the issuance, sale, and delivery of one or more series of bonds; including the approval and distribution of one or more official statements pertaining thereto; authorizing the execution of one or more paying agent/registrar agreements, purchase contracts, and escrow agreements pertaining to each series of bonds; complying with the letter of representations on file with the depository trust company; delegating the authority to certain members of the board of trustees and district staff to approve and execute certain documents relating to the sale of each series of bonds; and providing an effective date

On a motion by Gerald Lopez and a second by M'Lissa Chumbley, the Board unanimously approved the above-referenced Order which authorized the issuance of Northside ISD Fixed Rate Unlimited Tax School Building and Refunding Bonds in a combined principal amount of all series not to exceed \$194,590,000, being the combined principal amount not to exceed \$148,340,000 in new money school building bonds and refunding bonds in the combined principal amount not to exceed \$46,250,000.

- C. Consideration and Approval of an Order authorizing the issuance by the Northside Independent School District of its Variable Rate Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds in one or more series; specifying the terms and features of these bonds; levying a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax for the payment of these bonds; resolving other matters incident and related to the issuance, sale, payment and delivery of these bonds, including the approval and execution of a paying agent/registrar agreements, remarketing agreements, purchase contracts, and tender agent agreements, as necessary and relating to each series of bonds, and the approval and distribution of one or more offering memorandums pertaining thereto; complying with the letter of representations on file with the depository trust company; delegating the authority to certain members of the board of trustees and district staff to execute certain documents relating to the sale of each series of bonds; and providing an effective date

On a motion by Gerald Lopez and a second by M'Lissa Chumbley, the Board unanimously approved the above-referenced Order which authorized the issuance of NISD Variable Rate Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds in an amount not to exceed a combined amount with the fixed rate new money series of \$148,340,000.

- D. Consideration and Approval of an Order by the board of trustees of the Northside Independent School District authorizing the remarketing of "Northside Independent School District Variable Rate Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2010"; amending certain terms of the order authorizing the issuance of the bonds; prescribing the form, terms, conditions, and resolving other matters incident and related to the remarketing of the bonds, including the approval and distribution of a reoffering memorandum and the authorization of the execution of a remarketing agreement pertaining thereto; delegating the authority to certain members of the board of trustees and district staff to approve and execute certain documents relating to the remarketing of the bonds; and providing an effective date

On a motion by Gerald Lopez and a second by Joseph Medina, the Board unanimously approved the above-referenced Order which authorized the remarketing of Northside ISD Variable Rate Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2010 in an amount not to exceed \$76,395,000.

XIII. Human Resources

There were no items for this meeting.

XIV. Technology Services

There were no items for this meeting.

XV. Administration

A. Administrative Boundary Proposal for Kallison ES

The administrative boundary proposal for Kallison ES was presented prior to the meeting on October 27, 2016 of the School Boundary Advisory Committee to discuss the proposal.

B. Request for Maximum Class Size Waivers

There were no class size waivers for this meeting.

XVI. Superintendent

A. Naming of Special Facilities

Three patrons encouraged Trustees to name the Marshall HS auditorium after Marion Sweatmon.

Following discussion, a motion was made by M'Lissa Chumbley and seconded by Gerald Lopez to name the Marshall HS auditorium after Marion R. Sweatmon who served as the school's theatre director for 40 years. Motion carried on a 4-2 vote.

A motion was made by Bobby Blount and seconded by Joseph Medina to name the Jay HS Courtyard after Calvin Buchholtz, a longtime and now retired teacher who spent more than 40 years at Jay HS. Motion carried unanimously.

There was no discussion and no action taken on nominations submitted for special facilities at Business Careers and Clark high schools.

B. 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 551.071, 551.072 and 551.074, the Board would convene in closed session at 10:05 p.m. to discuss the following:

- A. Pursuant to Government Code 551.071(1)(A), Consultation with Attorney regarding Potential Litigation
- B. Appointment of Director of Accounting
- C. Appointment of Director of Benefits
- D. Appointment of Assistant Principal at Warren HS
- E. Appointment of Academic Dean at Connally MS
- F. Appointment of Vice Principal at Folks MS
- G. Sites

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

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- F. Sites

The Board reconvened into open session at 11:33 p.m. and took the following action:

Items A-E

On a motion by Karen Freeman and a second by Gerald Lopez, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendations for the following administrative appointments:

- Mark Boyett, CPA with Sol Schwartz & Associates, was named Director of Accounting.
- Thaddeus Fernandez, Director of Benefits at Lackland AFB, was named Director of Benefits.
- Christie Szabo, GT teacher at Brennan HS, was named Assistant Principal at Warren HS.

- Cassaundra Fernandez, MS Instructional Specialist in Curriculum & Instruction, was named Academic Dean at Connally MS.
- Yvette Lopez, Assistant Principal at Folks MS, was named Vice Principal at Folks MS.

Item F

There was no Board action taken on this item.

XIX. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:34 p.m.

Signature on File
Dr. Carol Harle, Board Secretary