

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

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
December 13, 2016
7:00 p.m.

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

STAFF PRESENT: Brian Woods, Janis Jordan, David Rastellini, Ray Galindo, Leroy San Miguel, Wesley Scott, Patty Hill, Levi Lara, Barry Perez, Melissa Oshman, Henry Acosta

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

M'Lissa Chumbley led the Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance.

III. Public Hearings

There were no public hearings scheduled for this meeting.

IV. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Woods reported on the following:

- Last month, Colonies North ES held a ceremony marking the school's 50th anniversary. The celebration captured the unique diversity of the campus. Thanks to Principal Kris Cotton and staff for their efforts in making the evening a success. Ross MS will be celebrating its 50th anniversary Feb. 21.
- Earlier this month the Jay Science and Engineering Academy hosted its annual school science fair which is one of the largest school fairs in the state. Six hundred projects were entered this year in the middle and high school divisions. Some of the projects were a continuation of previous work under the supervision of industry experts. Thanks to Principal Gretchen Bley and staff for coordinating this excellent showcase of academic research.
- Last week was the Northside Education Foundation's Annual Meeting and Donor Recognition at SeaWorld. Thanks to the NEF Board, Director of Partnerships Cassandra Miranda, and staff for the event which recognized NEF superheroes over the last year. Their annual report to the Board comes in January.
- Plans are underway for the third annual Heroes for Health day on March 2, 2017. The initiative was created by the Bexar County School Boards Coalition and Go Public campaign. Local community heroes will visit elementary students across Bexar County to encourage them to stay active and healthy.

Thanks to Trustee Bobby Blount for his leadership with this event.

- There is amazing talent showcased throughout the District this time of year through holiday performances and events. Dr. Woods noted that he is so glad the arts are emphasized in Northside.
- Northside schools and offices will be closed Dec. 19-30 for Winter Break. Classes resume Jan. 2, 2017.

In lieu of a Video Moment, the Garcia MS Choir, under the direction of Kathy Settles-Horejsi, performed Christmas carols for Trustees, District staff, and Board meeting attendees.

V. Board Members' Report

Trustee Katie Reed attended a recent San Antonio Chamber of Commerce event where she heard NISD's 2014 Pillar of Respect, James "Rad" Weaver, speak and encourage individuals to become mentors to students. Reed mentioned that NISD was recently recognized by the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) with a Government Project of the Year Award for the District's innovative school bus propane program.

Trustee Carol Harle indicated that the recent Northside Education Foundation (NEF) Annual Meeting and Donor Recognition was a wonderful event. She recognized NEF for being named one of the top ranking education foundations in Bexar County and among the top 50 in the nation in the "Stepping Up: The Top K-12 Education Foundations in the Nation" study. NEF was ranked 33rd. Harle also acknowledged the Brennan HS choir for their performance at the NEF event. Harle thanked the administration at Holmes HS and their Communities In Schools (CIS) program directors for the work they do for their community. Harle encouraged all NISD patrons to read Superintendent Dr. Woods' letter regarding the state's new A-F ratings system.

Trustee Joseph Medina recently volunteered through the Watch D.O.G.S. program at Bernal MS and had the opportunity to visit the campus Industrial Technology class. He remarked on his enjoyable day. Medina referenced the NISD Sports Gym Dedication and said that the event was very memorable.

Trustee Gerald Lopez acknowledged Northside Education Foundation (NEF) Board President Cathy Naiser and NISD Director of Partnerships Cassandra Miranda for their leadership in organizing the NEF Annual Meeting and Donor Recognition as well as for NEF's continued support of the District. Lopez attended the Winter Spectacular event at Brennan HS and was amazed at the level of student talent on display. Lopez thanked James Miculka, Director of Fine Arts, Elizabeth Sanchez-Lopez, Assistant Director of Fine Arts, and all of the campus dance instructors for coordinating the event.

Trustee Karen Freeman indicated how impressed she was with the evening's performance by the Hector Garcia MS choir. Freeman stated how glad she was to see so many students involved in the NISD Sports Gym Dedication. She briefed Trustees on recent developments and highlights from the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB), specifically their approved school finance plan, advocacy efforts around social media, and a pending XG Summit in January.

Trustee M'Lissa Chumbley shared how impressed she was with the recent dedication of the NISD Sports Gym. She acknowledged the work of all those who were involved in the event, but specifically Executive Director of Athletics Stan Laing, Director of Fine Arts James Miculka, and Assistant Director of Fine Arts Elizabeth Sanchez-Lopez. Chumbley reported to Trustees that she had the privilege to do a ride-along with NISD bus driver Judy Flores from Rhodes Transportation Station. She indicated the experience was amazing and it reinforced her appreciation for all bus drivers in Northside. Chumbley also recognized the Holmes HS coaching staff, including Eddie Salas, Pete Padilla, and Ryne Miller, as well as Holmes HS Principal Ada Bohlken for all that they do to support their school community.

VI. Recognitions

- A. Sarah Aguirre, 2016 ESC-20 ESL Teacher of the Year
- B. Annette Allard, 2016 ESC-20 LOTE Teacher of the Year
- C. Dr. Veronica Arteaga. 2016 ESC-20 Administrator of the Year

The Education Service Center, Region 20 recognized three Northside ISD educators during the 2016 Language Conference in November. Sarah Aguirre, a newcomer teacher at Colonies North ES, was named the English as a Second Language (ESL) Teacher of the Year. Annette Allard, Spanish teacher at Warren HS, was named the Languages Other Than English (LOTE) Teacher of the Year. Dr. Veronica Arteaga, principal at Passmore ES, was named Administrator of the Year. Certificates of Recognition were presented to these educators by Dr. Woods and Trustees.

VII. Reports

There were no reports scheduled for this meeting.

VIII. Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes from the Meeting of November 15, 2016
- B. Awarding of Bid Items
 - Bid #2016-224 – Uninterruptible Power Systems Preventive Maintenance Agreement
 - Bid #2016-229 – Apparel & Award Items
 - Bid #2016-230 – Art Supplies & Miscellaneous Warehouse Items
 - Bid #2016-232 – Infant Simulators & Supplies
 - Bid #2016-233 – Cardio Drumming Kit System
 - Bid #2016-243 – Vehicles – Model Year 2017
 - Requisition #17018958 to Eschool Solutions, LLC., in the amount of \$55,921.00 for the annual renewal of the subscription to SmartFind Express system for the time period October 2016 through September 2017
 - Requisition #17020259 to Carahsoft Technology Corporation in the amount of \$53,734.08 to host NISD's Drupal-Platform internet and intranet sites
- C. Contractor for Paving and Drainage Upgrades – Braun Station Elementary School and Sul Ross Middle School – RFCSP #2016-149
- D. Contractor for Playground Upgrades – Beard, Blattman, Braun Station, Elrod, Glass, Leon Valley, Oak Hills Terrace and Raba Elementary Schools – RFCSP #2016-148

- E. MAC (Moving/Adding/Changing) Telecommunications Cabling – Holmes High School Portables – RFP #2016-129
- F. Construction Delivery Methods – 2016 Various Projects
- G. Change Orders
- H. Consultant Appointments

Dr. Woods pulled Bid #2016-224 – Uninterruptible Power Systems Preventive Maintenance Agreement – for additional evaluation and action at the regular January Board meeting.

Consent Agenda items (minus Bid #2016-224) were unanimously approved on a motion by Karen Freeman and a second by Carol Harle.

Board action included the following consultant appointments:

- New Library and Classroom Replacement & Addition - Glenoaks ES - Nextgen Architects, MTR (civil), and Terracon (Geotechnical/materials)
- Building Replacement - Glenn ES - Terracon (Geotechnical/materials)

Board action also included the following contractor appointments:

- Paving and Drainage Upgrades - Braun Station ES and Ross MS - Pronto Sandblasting & Coating & Oil Field Services Co., Inc.
- Playground Upgrades - Beard, Blattman, Braun Station, Elrod, Glass, Leon Valley, Oak Hills Terrace, and Raba elementary schools - R.L. Rohde General Contracting, Inc.

IX. Citizens To Be Heard

A current bus driver addressed Transportation concerns relating to bus driver shortage and driver training.

X. Curriculum and Instruction

There were no items for this meeting.

XI. Facilities and Operations

- A. Schematic Design – Window Upgrades & ADA Work – Glenoaks Elementary School

On a motion by Karen Freeman and a second by Joseph Medina, the schematic design for window upgrades & ADA work at Glenoaks ES was unanimously approved as presented by Nextgen Architects.

- B. Schematic Design – Track & Field Renovations – John Jay High School

On a motion by Karen Freeman and a second by Gerald Lopez, the schematic design for track & field renovations at John Jay HS was unanimously approved as presented by Cude Engineers.

XII. Business and Financial Services

There were no items for this meeting.

XIII. Human Resources

There were no items for this meeting.

XIV. Technology Services

There were no items for this meeting.

XV. Administration

A. Kallison Elementary School Attendance Zone

A preliminary report for Kallison ES attendance zone was presented to the Board on October 25, 2016. The report was also presented to the School Boundary Advisory Committee which held a public hearing at Folks MS on December 1, 2016. The SBAC recommendation was presented by SBAC Chair Fernando Garcia. A motion was made by Bobby Blount and seconded by M'Lissa Chumbley to approve the Kallison ES attendance zone as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Request for Maximum Class Size Waivers

No maximum class size waivers were requested.

XVI. Superintendent

A. Board Continuing Education Credit

President Reed reported that all Trustees have exceeded the required continuing education hours prior to the April 30, 2017 deadline as required by the State Board of Education. In addition the Framework for Governance Leadership which was attached to the Board agenda item in Leaderboard was discussed and Trustee Karen Freeman reported that the Framework will be up for review by the State Board of Education in January.

B. Board Member Attendance at San Antonio Chamber 39th Annual SA to DC Trip

On a motion by Karen Freeman and a second by Gerald Lopez, Trustees unanimously approved board member attendance at the San Antonio Chamber 39th Annual SA to DC trip on February 13-16, 2017.

C. 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 8:45 p.m. to discuss the following:

- A. Sites
- B. Appointment of Principal at Brennan High School
- C. Appointment of Assistant Principal at Taft High School
- D. Appointment of Assistant Principal at Warren High School
- E. Superintendent Mid-Year Evaluation

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

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The Board reconvened into open session at 10:42 p.m. and took the following action:

Item A

A motion was made by M'Lissa Chumbley and seconded by Gerald Lopez to authorize the Superintendent and staff to perform Dual Diligence studies, negotiate the final purchase and, if found acceptable, provide the Board of Trustees with a Resolution for purchase. Motion carried unanimously.

Items B-D

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

- John Trimble, Vice Principal at Brennan HS, was named Principal at Brennan HS.
- Jennifer Rios, Campus Programs Coordinator at Business Careers HS, was named Assistant Principal at Taft HS.
- Adrian Gonzales, Special Education Campus Coordinator at Zachry MS, was named Assistant Principal at Warren HS.

Item E

President Katie Reed stated that the Board was unanimous in its support of Dr. Woods and the fantastic job that he has done.

XIX. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:46 p.m.

Signature on File
Dr. Carol Harle, Board Secretary