

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

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
October 23, 2018
7:00 p.m.

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

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

I. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President M'Lissa Chumbley.

II. Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance

Bobby Blount 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 2016-17 school year, and budgetary and financial data for the 2017 fiscal year. Northside received the highest rating of "Superior" for the 16th year in a row. No Board action was required.

IV. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Woods reported on the following:

- Both before and since the TASA/TASB Convention, Dr. Woods has worked to address several issues that are part of NISD's recommended legislative priorities including accountability, charter school expansion, and funding. He has met with the Governor and Lt. Governor on issues including funding, school security, and property taxes.
- Dr. Woods was pleased to recently attend a San Antonio Chamber of Commerce luncheon honoring outgoing Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives Joe Straus.

- The Jay HS community recently hosted their annual National Night Out event. Thank you to PTA President Mary Roberts, Jay HS Principal Jay Sumpter, and Jay Science & Engineering Academy Principal Teresa Cuellar.
- Dr. Woods joined North East ISD Superintendent Dr. Brian Gottardy, each district's Governmental Relations staff, and Trustees from both districts in a recent meeting with members of the *San Antonio Express-News* Editorial Board. The group spoke on the financial impacts of charter school expansion in Bexar County.
- Congratulations to all 11 NISD high school marching bands. Despite the rain two weekends ago, all bands performed at the UIL Marching Contest and earned either a "Superior" or "Excellent" rating.
- The annual College, Career, and Military Night at the UTSA Recreation Center was held October 22. It is a great event for students and families. Thank you to Dr. Kimberly Ridgley, Director of Guidance and Counseling, and the high school counselors that organized the event.

The Northside Video Moment highlighted a Jay HS football player whose battles off the field inspire his teammates and coaches.

V. Board Members' Report

Trustee Joseph Medina recognized the Jay HS community on a successful National Night Out event and congratulated Jay HS Principal Jay Sumpter and Jay Science & Engineering Academy Principal Teresa Cuellar and their staffs. He acknowledged the parents of students who participated in the UIL Marching Contest for their support. Medina reminded those in attendance that the NISD bowling season will be kicking off Nov. 6.

Trustee Katie Reed was invited to speak to members of the Northside Museum Association and enjoyed the opportunity to share some of the District's history. She appreciated the recent opportunity to represent the NISD Board of Trustees in meeting with the *San Antonio Express-News* Editorial Board.

Trustee Carol Harle congratulated Trustee Katie Reed on her receipt of the 2018 Constellation of Stars Award from the San Antonio Women's Chamber of Commerce. Harle recognized Reed's 28 years of service on the NISD Board of Trustees. Harle recognized three District staff recognized by the Education Service Center Region 20: ESL Teacher of the Year, Kristin Bunjes (Neff MS); Bilingual Teacher of the Year, Katherine Bolanos (Cole ES); and Administrator of the Year, Lou Medina (Stinson MS). She acknowledged NISD Communications Department Executive Director Barry Perez and Communications Specialist Julie Ann Matonis for hosting a successful Twitter chat on the topic of telling the story of our District and campuses.

Trustee Karen Freeman recognized all District high school bands for participating in the UIL Marching Contest and thanked all band booster club members for their support of these bands. Freeman congratulated Dr. Woods on being named Texas Superintendent of the Year at the recent TASA/TASB annual convention. She is looking forward to serving on the TASB Board's Legislative Committee next year.

Trustee M'Lissa Chumbley attended a dinner theatre hosted by the Holmes HS Theatre department. She recognized Holmes HS theatre teachers Annie Bridges and Kirk Logan. Chumbley shared gratitude to the *San Antonio Express-News* Editorial Board for hosting representatives from Northside ISD and allowing them to speak on the financial implications of charter school expansion. She attended the College, Career, & Military Night held at UTSA and acknowledged the efforts of Dr. Kimberly Ridgley and her staff for their work in coordinating this event. Chumbley reminded attendees to get out and vote.

Trustee Gerald Lopez congratulated Dr. Woods on being named Texas Superintendent of the Year at the TASA/TASB Convention and thanked him for his leadership. Lopez shared that he is participating in Leadership TASB.

Trustee Bobby Blount echoed congratulations to Dr. Woods and Trustee Reed on their awards. He indicated that Go Public's advocacy efforts continue and the group currently has 18 area school districts participating in the initiative.

VI. Recognitions

- A. David Rastellini, Recipient of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting
- B. Outgoing Members of the 2017-18 Northside Leadership Academy (NLA)
- C. Outgoing Members of 2014 Citizens' Bond Advisory Committee (CBAC)

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.

Outgoing members of the 2017-18 Northside Leadership Academy (NLA) were presented Certificates of Completion. The NLA class is a year-long program that identifies and trains potential administrators.

Outgoing members of the 2014 Citizens' Bond Advisory Committee were recognized for their support and hard work.

VII. Reports

There were no reports for this meeting.

VIII. Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes from the Meeting of September 25, 2018
- B. Disbursements for the Month of September 2018
- C. Awarding of Bid Items
 - Bid #2018-169 – Charter Bus, Van, Car Rental and Service
 - Bid #2018-170 – Maps and Globes
 - Bid #2018-171 – Printing Supplies, Equipment & Services
 - Bid #2018-173 – Elementary Music Equipment & Materials
 - RFP #2018-177 – Purchase of Bulk Fuel & Propane

Requisition #19003744 to eSchool Solutions dba PeopleAdmin Inc. in the amount of \$70,488.40 for the purchase of non-substitute and substitute eligible profiles.

Requisition #19004056 & #19009998 to Imagine Learning Inc. in the amount of \$325,000.00 for the annual renewal of Imagine Learning software.

Requisition #19004133 to Edgenuity Inc. in the amount of \$116,250.00 for the annual renewal of Edgenuity software.

Requisition #19007359 to Hillyard Inc. in the amount of \$59,867.47 for the purchase of replacement disinfectant sprayers for the Custodial Department.

Requisition #19007499 to Netsync Network Solutions in the amount of \$112,100.00 for the annual renewal of Cisco Umbrella cloud software.

Requisition #19008912 to Curriculum Associates LLC in the amount of \$96,000.00 for the annual renewal of iReady Diagnostic software.

Requisition #19010525 to Carahsoft Technology Corporation in the amount of \$51,798.69 for the annual renewal of Acquia software

Requisition #19010714 & #19010762 to Intech Southwest Services LLC in the amount of \$151,090.00 for the purchase of HP desktops, monitors, and laptops for the May ES technology deployment.

D. Investment Portfolio Report

E. Resolution Designating Investment Officers

F. Resolution Amending Authorized Representatives for TexPool Investment Pool

G. Resolution Amending Authorized Representatives for Lonestar Investment Pool

H. 2018-2019 Bilingual/ESL Education Exception and Waiver Application to Texas Education Agency

I. Certified T-TESS Appraisers

J. Exterior Colors – New Fine Arts, New Gym & New Library – Building Replacement Amendment #3 – Rayburn MS – RFCSP #2017-223

K. Contractor for 2016 Hail Damage Roof Restoration – Dr. Pat Henderson ES – RFCSP #2018-144

L. Contractor for 2016 Hail Damage Roof Restoration – Northwest Crossing & Colonies North ESs & Family Engagement Center – RFCSP #2018-142

M. Consultant Appointments

N. Construction Delivery Methods – 2018-2019 Various Projects

Consent Agenda items were unanimously approved on a motion by Katie Reed and a second by Gerald Lopez.

IX. Citizens To Be Heard

Trustees were invited by NAFT to a viewing on privatizing public education. A student also addressed the Board on the subject of wearing shorts in high school.

X. Curriculum and Instruction

A. Strategic Design Framework Update

Educators, community members, business leaders and Trustees have worked to design the Strategic Design Framework that NISD's strategic plan will be based upon. A presentation by Dr. Janis Jordan, Deputy Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, outlined the components of the framework, the process in place, and the outcomes of the work so far. No Board action was required.

B. First Reading of Policy EHDC (EXHIBIT)

New rules by TEA required the Board to approve an audit process for Credit-by-Exam assessments. Districts that choose to adopt exams from Texas Tech or the University of Texas do not need to create an audit process for those exams but instead should submit a Board-adopted resolution accepting the audit processes the universities have put in place. A resolution was presented as EHDC (EXHIBIT) for first reading and discussion. No Board action was required.

C. First Reading of Policy EHBC (LOCAL)

To continue to fund dyslexia using State Compensatory (SCE) funds, students must be identified at-risk yet all students identified with dyslexia do not meet one of the 13 state at-risk criteria. A school district may add a local at-risk criteria by approval of the Board of Trustees. Revision to Policy EHBC (LOCAL) was submitted for first reading which added “dyslexia or a related disorder as defined by law” as an additional at-risk indicator to policy. The revised policy was presented for first reading. No Board action was required.

XI. Facilities and Operations

A. Schematic Design – Agriculture Facility Upgrade – Sandra Day O’Connor HS

On a motion by Katie Reed and a second by Gerald Lopez, the schematic design for the agriculture facility upgrade at O’Connor HS was unanimously approved as presented by Shawn Kaarlson & Associates Inc.

B. Schematic Design – Cafeteria/Kitchen Renovation – Northwest Crossing ES

On a motion by Katie Reed and a second by Karen Freeman, the schematic design for the cafeteria/ kitchen renovation at Northwest Crossing ES was unanimously approved as presented by Pfluger Associates Architects, LLC.

C. Schematic Design –Library Upgrades – John Marshall HS

On a motion by Katie Reed and a second by Carol Harle, the schematic design for Option 2 of the library upgrades at Marshall HS was unanimously approved as presented by Garza Bomberger & Associates.

D. Schematic Design – Special Education ALE Upgrades – Meadow Village ES

On a motion by Katie Reed and a second by Joseph Medina, the schematic design for the special education ALE upgrades at Meadow Village ES was unanimously approved as presented by Chesney Morales Partners, Inc.

E. Amendment #3 – Building Replacement – GMP – Rayburn MS – RFP #2017-223

It was moved by Katie Reed and seconded by Carol Harle to accept and approve Amendment #3 at a cost not to exceed \$8,500,940.00 presented by Turner Construction Company for the necessary work associated with building envelope

and interiors at Rayburn MS. Motion carried unanimously.

XII. Business and Financial Services

A. Budget Amendment #1 for School Year 2018-19

Budget Amendment #1 for 2018-19 was unanimously approved on a motion by Gerald Lopez and a second by Katie Reed. The Budget Amendment decreased fund balance by \$21,638,390 in the General Fund. Adjustments included the addition to appropriations resulting from approved carry forward of funds including those from 2017-18 purchase order commitments, campus formula account balances, high school allotment funds, and start-up funds for newly opened schools. Additional amounts were carried forward from assigned fund balance for the hail damage. Current year adjustments included anticipated settlements for property insurance claims and a reduction in state aid of \$3,106,706 from enrollment reduction and \$3,551,499 from reduction in Medicaid reimbursements.

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/or 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 Carol Harle, 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 \$542,010,000, being the combined principal amount not to exceed \$184,855,000 in new money school building bonds and refunding bonds in the combined principal amount not to exceed \$357,155,000.

C. Consideration and Approval of an Order authorizing the issuance by the Northside Independent School District of its Variable Rate Unlimited Tax School Building and/or 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, payment and delivery of one or more series of bonds, including the approval and distribution of one or more offering memorandums pertaining thereto; authorizing the execution of one or more paying agent/registrar agreements, escrow agreements, remarketing agreements, purchase contracts, and tender agent agreements, as necessary and if applicable and relating 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 Carol Harle, the Board unanimously approved the above-referenced Order which authorized the issuance of Northside ISD Variable Rate Unlimited Tax School Building and Refunding Bonds in a combined principal amount of all series not to exceed \$333,780,000, being the combined principal amount not to exceed \$184,855,000 in new money school building bonds (when combined with all series of new money school building bonds issued pursuant to the Concurrently Adopted Order (determined as the amount of principal of and related premium (if any) to such bonds allocated to the 2014 and 2018 Authorizations)) and the combined principal amount not to exceed \$148,925 in refunding bonds (when combined with all series of refunding bonds issued pursuant to the Concurrently Adopted Order)

- 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 Refunding Bonds, Series 2011A"; 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 Carol Harle, the Board unanimously approved the above-referenced Order which authorized the remarketing of Northside ISD Variable Rate Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2011A in an amount not to exceed \$69,680,000.

- E. 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 2014"; 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 Katie Reed, the Board unanimously approved the above-referenced Order which authorized the remarketing of Northside ISD Variable Rate Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$79,245,000.

- F. Consideration and Approval of an Order authorizing certain District staff to select one or more qualified financial institutions to serve as Paying Agent/Registrar and/or Tender Agent for certain outstanding District indebtedness; authorizing certain District staff to enter into Paying Agent/Registrar agreements and Tender Agent agreements with such selected financial institution or institutions; enacting other provisions incident and related to the subject and purpose of this order; and providing an effective date

On a motion by Gerald Lopez and a second by Joseph Medina, the Board unanimously authorized certain District staff to select one or more qualified financial institutions to serve as Paying Agent/Registrar and/or Tender Agent.

XIII. Human Resources

- A. RFP #2017-155 – Property and Boiler/Machinery Insurance

Following brief discussion, a motion was made by Gerald Lopez and seconded by Joseph Medina to remain with the incumbent vendor, Westchester, for option 1 that provides \$400,000,000 in coverage with \$2.5M maximum deductible on wind/hail per occurrence. All other coverage limits and deductibles remain the same as the expiring policy. Motion carried unanimously.

XIV. Technology Services

There were no items for this meeting.

XV. Administration

- A. Request for Maximum Class Size Waivers

On a motion by Katie Reed and a second by Karen Freeman, Trustees unanimously approved the submission of 12 class size waivers across the District K-4.

- B. First Reading and Adoption of Legal Policies, TASB Localized Update #111

Legal policies from TASB Update #111 were presented for first reading and adoption. Following discussion, the Legal policies were unanimously approved on a motion by Joseph Medina and a second by Gerald Lopez.

- C. First Reading of Local Policies in TASB Policy Update #111

Local policies from TASB Update #111 were presented for first reading and discussion. Trustees were asked to call before the next regular meeting with any questions or concerns. No Board action was required.

XVI. Superintendent

- A. 2018 Citizens' Bond Advisory Committee

On a motion by Gerald Lopez and a second by Katie Reed, the 2018 Citizens' Bond

Advisory Committee was unanimously approved as presented.

B. Renaming of Business Careers High School

Curriculum changes to the current Business Careers HS were discussed at the August 28 Board meeting. Strands that will be offered beginning in fall 2019 are Business and Finance, Computer Programming, and Cyber-Security. Given these strands, it was recommended to give the campus a new name and a refreshed logo. Following discussion, a motion was made by Karen Freeman and seconded by Katie Reed to rename the campus N-SITE – Northside School of Innovation, Technology, and Entrepreneurship. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Board Member Attendance at San Antonio Chamber 41st Annual SA to DC Trip

Board Policy BBG (LOCAL) states that attendance at required training sessions and at the annual conferences 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 Joseph Medina, Board member attendance at the Chamber SA to DC Trip was unanimously approved.

D. 2019 Legislative Priorities

The 2019 Legislative Priorities were unanimously approved on a motion by Katie Reed and a second by Bobby Blount.

E. First Reading on Revisions to Policy CW (LOCAL)

Policy CW (LOCAL) was presented for first reading. Following discussion, additional changes will be made and Policy CW (LOCAL) will be brought back for first reading at the Nov. 13 Board meeting.

F. 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 Chumbley announced that, in accordance with Texas Government Code, Sections 551.072 and 551.074, the Board would convene in closed session at 10:55 p.m. to discuss the following:

- A. Sites
- B. Appointment of Vice Principal at Business Careers HS
- C. Appointment of Assistant Principal at Rayburn MS
- D. Appointment of Vice Principal at Scarborough ES

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 Business Careers HS
- B. Appointment of Assistant Principal at Rayburn MS
- C. Appointment of Vice Principal at Scarborough ES

The Board reconvened into open session at 11:00 p.m. and took the following action:

Items A-C

On a motion by Joseph Medina and a second by Carol Harle, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendations for the following administrative appointments:

- Gina Rodriguez, programs coordinator at Business Careers HS, was named Vice Principal at Business Careers HS.
- Christina Lozano, administrative intern at Rayburn MS, was named Assistant Principal at Rayburn MS.
- Angela De La Rosa, administrative intern at Mead ES, was named Vice Principal at Scarborough.

XIX. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:01 p.m.

Signature on File

Gerald B. Lopez, Board Secretary