

# BOARD UPDATE

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## PUBLIC HEARING

- **Sonya George**, Executive Director for Budget and Compliance and Acting CFO, presented the Public Hearing to review the School FIRST (Financial Accountability Rating System of Texas) Financial Management Report. **Yvonne Johnson**, Executive Director for Business Services, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the School FIRST Financial Management Report.

## RECOGNITION

- **Dr. Angi Williams**, Superintendent, recognized the following for their outstanding efforts to help the students of Galena Park ISD return to school this fall. A engraved plaque was presented to each.
  - U.S. Congressman Gene Green
  - Oiltanking North America
  - Harris County Hospital District
  - Woodforest Presbyterian Church
  - Jacinto City Council Members Jimmy Rivas and Carmela Garcia

## BOARD COMMENTS

- **Joe Stephens**, President, asked all veterans in the audience to stand and be recognized. They received a round of applause. He also asked everyone to keep Vikas Chaphekar, GPISD CFO, in their prayers during his illness.

## ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT

- **Lecia Eubanks**, Principal of MacArthur Elementary, presented an overview of campus programs.

## REPORTS

- **Ibrahim S. Abou-Awdi**, Director for Energy Management and Utility Services, reported on the CenterPoint Energy SCORE Program and the Center Point Energy Load Management Program. He introduced Program Representatives **Cheryl Bowman** and **Steve Gremillion**, who presented GPISD with a check for \$15,754.04 for the completion of energy efficient upgrades at Cunningham Middle School. Mr. Awdi then introduced Program Director, **David Dzierski**, who presented GPISD with a check in the amount of \$44,640.00 for reducing energy consumption during the summer months.
- **Arnold Ramirez**, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resource and Communication Services, present for review TASB Localized Policy Update 95 at first reading.

## NEW BUSINESS

### ACTION

- **Approved** the District to apply for the State Energy Conservation Office (SECO) Public Independent School District Energy Efficiency Grant.
- **Approved** the SuccessEd Software license. This software is designed to assist school districts in meeting district and state early intervention and special education program requirements.
- **Approved** the purchase of the modular building located at 1721 16th Street, Galena Park, Texas, 77547, allowing a variety of options for future use of the land and/or modular building. The building is currently owned by San Jacinto College.

### GENERAL CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Monday, October 1, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
- **Approved** the Administration to apply to TEA for the 2012 class size waiver request.
- **Approved** the administration to enter in an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Houston to provide access to the regional radio system that allows various government agencies to communicate with each other.
- **Approved** the agreement between the Galena Park Independent School District and the Harris County Hospital District for the operation of two school-based community health clinics as presented.

### FINANCIAL CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** the Proposed Budget Amendments for the period of October 2012 as presented.

## NEW BUSINESS

- **Approved** the proposed Request for Purchases over \$50,000 as presented.
- **Approved** the tax refund request for overpayment of taxes as presented: Alta Vista Homes - \$689.37.
- **Approved** an additional supplement to the Galena Park Independent School District Academic Supplements for Professional Personnel for the 2012-2013 fiscal year for the position of Library Facilitator as presented.
- **Approved** a daily rate of \$225.00 for a High School Registrar substitute position. This daily rate will be included in the 2012-2013 Non-Teaching Substitute Pay Schedule.

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## INFORMATION

The following documents were presented for information:

- The Comparative Monthly Tax Collection Report for the period of September 1, 2012 – September 30, 2012, and September 1, 2011-September 30, 2011.
- The Early Head Start Monthly Update (September 2012).