

# BOARD UPDATE

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## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- **Dr. Angi Williams** and **Dawn Fisher**, Trustee, recognized **Lyndell Basell** and **Austin Industries** for their continuing partnership to boost the skilled labor workforce in our local area.
- **Dr. Angi Williams** and **June Harris**, Trustee, recognized **Comcast** for making available the Comcast Internet Essentials Program to our students.

## STUDENT RECOGNITION

- **Dr. Angi Williams**, **Wanda Johnson**, Trustee and **Joe Stephens**, Trustee, recognized students from **North Shore Middle**, **Woodland Acres Middle**, **Galena Park High**, **North Shore Senior High 9th Grade Center** and **North Shore Senior High School** for earning awards in the 2012 Scholastic Writing Competition.

## BOARD COMMENTS

- **Wanda Johnson** wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day on February 14th.
- **Dawn Fisher** thanked everyone for the cards, flowers and prayers sent on behalf of her mother, Emma Rucker.
- **Ramon Garza** issued congratulations to all of the GPISD students who are working hard.
- **Wilfred Broussard** thanked everyone for their prayers during his recent illness and stated he is now on the mend.

## ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT

- **Aneka VanCourt**, Principal of Cobb Sixth Grade Campus, presented an overview of campus programs.

## REPORTS

- **Arnold Ramirez**, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resource and Communication Services, presented for review at first reading of Policy EI (LOCAL) Academic Achievement.
- **Arnold Ramirez**, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resource and Communication Services, presented for review at first reading of Policy DEE (LOCAL) Compensation and Benefits: Expense Reimbursement.

## NEW BUSINESS

- **Approved** the Order of Election as presented calling for an election to be held in the Galena Park Independent School District on the 12th day of May 2012 for the purpose of electing two (2) trustees to the Board for regular terms for the following positions: Position 1 and Position 2.
- **Approved** the Resolution authorizing participation in the plaintiff group assembled by Thompson and Horton. The Administration further recommends that the Board of Trustees authorize the Superintendent of Schools to execute any other documents that may be necessary to implement this action.

## NEW BUSINESS

### GENERAL CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** the minutes of the Board Workshop held on Monday January 9, 2012 at 5:15 p.m. and the Regular Meeting held on Monday, January 9, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. as presented.
- **Approved** the 2012-13 Academic Calendar as presented.

### CONSTRUCTION CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** proceeding with a Contract with Chu Architects for the Design and Construction of a new District Freezer and Cooler adjacent to the District Warehouse located at 13705 B Force Street in Houston, TX 77015. The project budget is \$550,000 and the Construction Budget is \$480,000.

### FINANCIAL CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** the Proposed Budget Amendments for the period of January 2012 as presented.
- **Approved** the Proposed Request for Purchases over \$50,000, as presented.

## NEW BUSINESS

- **Awarded** CSP 11-007 for Annual Contract for Internal Connections Projects to the following vendors for the respective Projects as described in the Competitive Sealed Proposal:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
Project A - Equipment	INX	\$ 824,729
Project B - Cabling	CST Corp.	\$ 62,098
Project C - Novell Licensing	Novell	\$ 79,356
Project D - Virtual Desktop Infrastructure	Logical Front	\$ 581,738

- **Awarded** CSP 11-001 for Annual Contract for WAN Connectivity – Monitoring and Associated Hardware to Comcast Business Communications, LLC at an annual cost of \$292,795 as presented.
- **Awarded** CSP 11-005 for the Annual Contract for Fire Alarm Systems – Testing, Replacement Parts, Supplies and Equipment to Koetter Fire Protection of Houston, LLC. as presented.
- **Awarded** CSP 11-004 for the Annual Contract for Flooring Materials (Installed & Uninstalled) to AECO Interior Contractors and Hart Construction Services as approved Contractors or Vendors as presented.
- **Approved** the tax refund request for overpayment of taxes as presented. The taxpayer and the amount of the refund are as follows:
  - Vallee Family Revocable Living Trust \$2,170.22
  - Vallee Walter R. & Nancy J. Living Trust

## INFORMATION

- **Mike Ball**, Chief Financial Officer, presented for review the Comparative Monthly Tax Collections Report for the period of September 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011, and September 1, 2010 – December 31, 2010.
- **Mike Ball**, Chief Financial Officer, presented for review the Quarterly Investment Report for the period 9-1-11 through 11-30-11.
- **Ken Wallace**, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Support and School Administration, presented the Early Head Start Monthly Updates for June and July 2011.