

BOARD UPDATE

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PUBLIC HEARING

- **Mike Ball**, Chief Financial Officer, presented the Schools FIRST (Financial Accountability Rating System of Texas) Annual Financial Management Report.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- **Dr. Angi Williams**, Interim Superintendent of Schools and **Dawn Fisher**, Trustee, recognized **Rob Andrews**, General Manager Aero Engineering, and **Candida Lopez**, Electrical Engineer for GE Energy, for their continued support of the Robotics program at Galena Park High School. Mr. Andrews and Ms. Lopez have ensured that the Robotics program has received \$40,000 in funding each year in order to compete at the required levels of competition and travel to the competitions. For the past two summers they have also secured an additional \$10,000 in funding that has supported Summer Robotics Camp for our elementary and middle school students in GPISD and employment for out high school robotics students.
- **Dr. Angi Williams**, **Ramon Garza**, Trustee, and **Wanda Johnson**, Secretary, recognized **Dan Wallrath**, a 1969 graduate of Galena Park High School, for being named as one of 2010's top 10 CNN Heroes. Mr. Wallrath and his organization, Operation Finally Home, build houses for injured U.S. veterans.

RECOGNITION

- **Dr. Angi Williams**, **Ramon Garza**, Trustee, and **Wanda Johnson**, Secretary, recognized **Nancy Webster**, Director of Instructional Measurement and Accountability, for being elected to serve as the Director of Bayou City Regional Association of Testing Specialists.

AUDIENCE ITEMS

- **John Symko**, Senior Account Manager of Trane, addressed the Board and presented a Dell laptop to **Kimberly Martin**, Region 4 Secondary Teacher of the Year.
- **Jim Hataway** addressed the Board and stated that he represented the New Forest neighborhood residents. He stated that the residents expect the district to operate efficiently, and that we need to reduce expenditures.
- **Jerry Allen** addressed the Board regarding security issues in the area.

ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT

- **Billy Foster**, Principal of North Shore Senior High School, presented an overview of campus programs and introduced the faculty and staff of North Shore Senior High School.

REPORTS

- **Mike Ball**, Chief Financial Officer, presented a report on the status of election issues in response to Senate Bill 100, 82nd Texas Legislature.
- **Arnold Ramirez**, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resource and Communication Services, presented Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Localized Policy Update 90 for review at first reading.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Passed** a resolution declaring that October 12, 2011, was observed as Texas Education Human Resources Day throughout Galena Park ISD, as proclaimed by Texas Governor, Rick Perry.

GENERAL CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** the minutes of the board workshop held on Wednesday, September 7, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. and the regular meeting held on Monday, September 12, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. as presented.
- **Approved** the Early Head Start Financial Assistance Award for 2011-2012 program expenditures as presented.
- **Approved** the 2010-2011 Early Head Start Program Information Report as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Approved** the District to execute the Interlocal Agreement with the Harris County Department of Education as presented for the 2011-2012 CASE After-School Partnership at Pyburn Elementary School to provide after-school programming to benefit our students and their families.
- **Authorized** the drafting of the contracts for the 2012 Contract Deputy Program for Precinct 2 and Precinct 3. This includes 1 Sergeant and 5 deputies for Precinct 2 and 1 Sergeant and 11 deputies for Precinct 3.
- **Authorized** the Administration to apply to TEA for the class size waiver request as presented.

CONSTRUCTION CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** and proceed with the Design and Construction Documents to renovate the HVAC System for the Data Center located at the Galena Park ISD Administration Building and install an Emergency Generator at the Athletic Office Building located at the District Athletic Stadium on Wallisville road as presented.

FINANCIAL CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** the Proposed Budget Amendments for the period of September 2011 as presented.
- **Approved** the Proposed Request for Purchases over \$50,000 as presented.
- **Adopted** the 2011 Tax Roll Resolution with a total taxable value of \$4,444,317,840 with an anticipated tax collection rate of 100% for the tax year 2011 as presented.
- **Approved** the resolution establishing a Maintenance and Operations tax rate and a Debt Service tax rate for the 2011-2012 fiscal year as presented.
- **Approved** the supplemental additions to the 2011-2012 Academic Supplement List. These supplemental assignments would be reviewed and evaluated for continuation on an annual basis.
 - \$3,000/semester for teachers that are assigned an extra period at the high school level.
 - \$3,000/year for a full time Lead Dyslexia teacher to train new and existing dyslexia teachers after school hours and to oversee reporting.

INFORMATION

- **Mike Ball**, Chief Financial Officer, presented for review the Comparative Monthly Tax Collections Report for the period of September 1, 2010 – August 31, 2011, and September 1, 2009 – August 31, 2010.
- **Mike Ball**, Chief Financial Officer, presented for review the Annual Investment Report for the period 9-1-2010 through 8-31-2011.
- **Ken Wallace**, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Support and School Administration, presented for review the Early Head Start Monthly Update.