

BOARD UPDATE

Galena Park Independent School District
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RECOGNITION

- The following are the new board officers: **Jeff Miller**, president; **Dawn Thompson-Fisher**, vice president; and **William Bill Cobbs**, secretary.

- Immediate Past Board President, **Wayne Oquin**, was presented with a gavel for his service during the past year.

- **Ray Zepeda** was introduced as the new Galena Park High School head football coach/campus athletic coordinator.

- The following businesses were recognized for their partnership with the Career and Technology Department: **Angela Ford**, Palais Royal, Employment Conference; **Holly Barte**, Palais Royal, Employment Conference; **Paul Faust**, Baytown Ron Craft Chevrolet Cadillac, AYES; **Danny Barnett**, Monument Chevrolet, AYES; **Tina Elizondo**, Hyatt Regency, Hospitality Program; **Derotha Stephens**, LBJ Hospital, Health Science; and **Nancy Wilsford**, Silver Springs Healthcare Center, Health Science–CNA.

- The following students were recognized for competing at the Texas Technology Students Association: **Edwin Amaya** – 1st place and Best in State, Photography Landscape; **Abrial Davison** – 1st place and Best in State, Telecommunications; **Erika Rivera** – 1st place, Metal Clock Project and 2nd place, Clock Project. **James Merrell** is the sponsor.

- The North Shore Math and Science team was recognized for winning 2nd place Calculator Applications Team at the UIL State Academic Meet. Team members are: **Ali Abedi** (2nd place winner in the individual calculator competition), **Reagan Nguyen**, **Sherman Kuan** and **Bibin Varghese**. **Don Kirby** is the team's coach.

- The following teams were recognized for competing at the State Odyssey of the Mind competition and placing third place:

Havard Elementary – Problem 5 – The Jungle Bloke Division 1 (Elementary): **Craig Bonner**, **Roland Doyal**, **Zachary Fradette**, **Heath Hampton**, **Shannon Varghese**, **Cindy Ventura** and **Kevin Yee**. Coaches: **Sheila Wilson** and **Jeff Fradette**.

North Shore Middle School – Problem 3 – Ancient Egypt:

Juan Carlos, **Minh Dang**, **Clarita Hernandez**, **Josh Hunt**, **Mac Nghiem**, **Cameron Rankin** and **Jose Zuniga**. Coach: **Martha Zuniga**.

North Shore Middle School – Problem 5 – The Jungle Bloke:

Cynthia Alejandre, **Brittany Boyett**, **Guillermo Colomo**, **Kira Golden**, **Megan McCoy** and **Tyler Simms**. Coaches: **Tammy Norman** and **Jason Norman**.

ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT

Edward L. Warken, athletic director, presented the athletic web site and demonstrated how to find information on the web site.

REPORTS

- **Bourke Meagher**, assistant superintendent for HRS and communications, presented the compensation plan proposal.

- **Bob Campbell**, director of maintenance, presented the ARAMARK annual performance review.

- **Richard Gates**, director of new facilities & planning, provided an update on bond construction projects.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Approved** request to change the Monday, July 10, 2006, board meeting to Monday, July 17, 2006, as presented.

CONSTRUCTION CONSENT AGENDA

- **New Elementary School #116 Project No. 116-2005**

Approved payment in the amount of \$204,602.00 to WCID #36 for the installation of water service as presented.

GENERAL CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** and **adopted** at first reading Policy *DEC (LOCAL) Compensation and Benefits: Leaves and Absences* as presented.

- **Approved** and **adopted** at first reading Policy *DED (LOCAL) Compensation and Benefits: Holidays and Vacations* as presented.

- **Approved** the submission of the Smaller Learning Communities grant for Galena Park High and North Shore Senior High schools as presented.

- **Approved** the submission of the Tobacco Compliance Grant For School-Based Police as presented.

- **Approved** the submission of the Emergency Response and Crisis Management grant application as presented.

- **Approved** Annual Performance Review for ARAMARK as presented.

- **Approved** application for general state waiver for pregnancy related services as presented.

FINANCIAL CONSENT AGENDA

- **Selected** a delinquent tax collection attorney and firm for the period July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, and **authorized** the superintendent or his designee to negotiate and sign a contract as presented.

- **Adopted** resolutions for the resale of tax sale property as presented.

- **RFP #25-008– Cooling Tower Change Out**

Approved award of contract to *Fort Bend Mechanical Ltd.* for purchase as presented.

- **Approved** proposed budget amendments for the month of May 2006, as presented.

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