

BOARD UPDATE

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

• **Elizabeth Lalor**, Senior Director for Academic Support, presented the Optional Flexible School Day Program. The presentation included information on the district's ability to offer flexible instructional arrangements such as night classes and weekend classes for students at risk of not graduating. During the 2010-11 school year, 251 students participated in the program.

• **Bryan Clements**, Chief of Police/Executive Director for Security and Technology, held a Public Hearing on Children's Internet Protection Act compliance (CIPA). The hearing addressed the policy and measures instituted by the district to provide a safe computing environment for students and staff. Measures include internet content filtering and internet safety education.

ELECTION

• Trustees **Wilfred J. Broussard, Jr.**, **June Harris** and **Dawn Fisher** were sworn in during the July 11 Galena Park ISD Board of Trustees meeting. Reverend Young, Pastor at Gospel Hill Baptist Church, administered the oath of office to Mr. Broussard. Broussard has served on the Board of Trustees since 2008 and is the newly elected Board President. Mike Parrott, Pct.3 Justice of the Peace, administered the oath of office to Mrs. Harris. Harris has served on the Board of Trustees since 2006. Kathleen Bundy, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent and Board of Trustees, delivered the oath of office to Dawn Fisher. Fisher has served on the Board of Trustees since 2002.

PRESENTATIONS

• **David Thompson** and **Dr. Mike Moses** from School Executive Consulting, and **Butch Felkner** and **Bob Smith** from TASB Executive Search Services discussed the services offered by their respective firms regarding a new superintendent search for Galena Park ISD.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

• **Dr. Angi Williams**, Interim Superintendent of Schools, **Wanda Heath Johnson**, Board Secretary, and **Ramon Garza**, Board Member, recognized Juan Carlos Gaytan for his perseverance and commitment to education by completing all requirements for his high school diploma.

BOARD COMMENTS

• **Wilfred J. Broussard, Jr.**, Board President, announced this new segment of board meetings, explaining "any board member may make a comment during this portion of the agenda." Broussard also commented that Mr. Johnnie Rountree was a true warrior for education who will be greatly missed. **Wanda Heath Johnson**, Board Secretary, welcomed the newly appointed Interim Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Angi Williams.

REPORTS

• **Richard Gates**, Director of New Facilities and Planning, provided an update on bond construction projects.

NEW BUSINESS

GENERAL CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on Sunday, June 5, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. at Reliant Center, Budget Workshop on Monday, June 6, 2011, at 6:30 p.m., Regular Meeting on Monday, June 6, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., Board Workshop on Tuesday, June 14, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. and Special Meeting on Tuesday, June 28, 2011, at 6:00 p.m.
- **Approved** the application for the 2011 – 2012 Optional Flexible School Day Program as presented
- **Approved** Policy CE (LOCAL) Annual Operating Budget as presented at second reading.
- **Approved** the expedited waiver as presented so that Galena Park ISD is not required to participate in the state-provided Teacher Data Portal for at least the next three years. GPISD will continue to use Eduphoria to perform the required analysis of state-mandated assessment data.
- **Approved** the 2011-2012 Employee Handbook as presented.
- **Approved** the 2011-2012 Student Handbook as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCIAL CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** the Proposed Budget Amendments for the period of June 2011 as presented.
- **Approved** the Proposed Request for Purchases over \$50,000 as presented.
- **Approved** the 2011-12 Compensation Plan as presented.
- **Approved** the Academic Supplements Schedule for 2011-12 as presented.
- **Approved** the authorized list of investment brokers/dealers who have submitted the necessary documentation in compliance with the District's investment policies as presented.
- **Awarded** CSP 10-005 for Asbestos and Lead Paint Abatement – Unit Rate Contract to C.S.T. Environmental, LP.
- **Approved** the Interlocal Contract with Harris County Department of Education for 30 seats at the Highpoint campus for the 2011-2012 school year for an initial cost of \$285,000.00 as presented.
- **Adopted** the resolutions authorizing signature changes in order to execute banking transactions relating to all accounts with Woodforest National Bank as presented.
- **Approved** the Region XI agreement so that we can continue the Discovery Education service for GPISD teachers and students.
- **Awarded** RFQ-017 for the Annual Financial and Compliance Audit to Null-Lairson, P.C. as presented.

INFORMATION

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- **Mike Ball**, Chief Financial Officer, presented the Quarterly Investment Report for the period March 1, 2011 - May 31, 2011 to the Trustees for review.
 - **Mike Ball** also presented the Comparative Monthly Tax Collections Report for the period of September 1, 2010 - May 31, 2011, and September 1, 2009 - May 31, 2010, to the Trustees for review.
 - The Early Head Start Monthly Update was presented to the Trustees for review. **June Harris**, Board Member, was announced to be the new Board of Trustees Early Head Start Liaison.