

BOARD UPDATE

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RECOGNITION

The Superintendent recognized students and staff members for honors and achievements earned. Congratulations were extended to the following:

- **Carol Booth**, Ph.D., NCSP, LSSP, Director of Special Education, who has been elected as the state delegate to represent Texas for the next three years in the National Association for School Psychologists (NASP). The organization has 35,000 members in the United States. Texas has 2,300 people practicing school psychology.
- The North Shore Air Force Junior ROTC Unit TX-945 under the leadership of **Major Jeanette Young** and **Senior Master Sergeant Walter Calhoun** has been selected as one of 90 units to receive the Distinguished Unit Award for the academic year 2009-10. The following students are representing Unit TX-945: **Dinora Morales, Jonuel Duran, James Montgomery, Darvelia Lazaro, William Martinez, Luvenia Williams** and **Latracia Spicer**. The Distinguished Unit Award recognizes units that have performed above and beyond normal expectations, and that have distinguished themselves through outstanding service to their school and community while meeting the Air Force Junior ROTC mission of producing better citizens for America.

ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT

- **Carmen Brown**, Program Director for Becker Early Childhood Center, and **Fran Urbanovsky**, Coordinator of Student Support and Health Services, presented information on programs offered through the Early Head Start Program and the Parenting Education Program (PEP) in the Galena Park Independent School District.

REPORTS

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

NEW BUSINESS

GENERAL CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** the PDAS/GPDAS Appraisal Calendar for the 2010-2011 school year as presented.
- **Added, revised, or deleted** (LOCAL) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 87 as presented.
- **Adopted** Policy EIC (LOCAL) Academic Achievement: Class Ranking as presented (increasing the GPA weight for Dual Credit classes; having students who graduate in the Top 10% be on the Recommended or Distinguished Plan; and changing the grade points earned to alleviate possible ties in grade point averages).
- **Granted** permission for the District to apply for the Investing in Innovation Fund (i3) Program Grant as presented.
- **Granted** permission for the District to apply for the Improving Literacy Through School Libraries Grant as presented.
- **Approved** the collaboration of Galena Park ISD with University of Texas Research Center on the Teenage Pregnancy Prevention: Replication of Evidence-based Programs (Tier 1) Grant as presented.
- **Ratified** and **granted** approval of the following funding items as presented:
 - a. 2010-2011 Continuation Refunding for Early Head Start Grant and Permanent COLA (Cost of Living Allowance) and 2009-2010 Community Assessment Update
 - b. 2010-2011 Supplemental COLA Funding
 - c. 2009-2010 Early Head Start Self-Assessment

CONSTRUCTION CONSENT AGENDA

- **Project No. 004-2010 – North Shore Senior High School – Culinary Kitchen**
- **Approved** Chu Architects as the Architect of Record, with a project budget of \$220,000.00 and a Construction Budget of \$160,000.00 as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCIAL CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** the Proposed Budget Amendments for the period of April 2010 as presented.
- **Approved** the sale and executed the resale deed for the purchase of lots 22 and 23, Block 52, Fidelity Addition, by Robert and Audrey Jackson for \$5,000.00 as presented.
- **Approved** early renewal of the Inter-local agreement Texas Association of School (TASB) Risk Management Fund, for School & Professional Legal Liability insurance including the increased sub-limits for Sexual Misconduct as presented.
- **Approved** early renewal of the Inter-local Agreement with Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Risk Management Fund for Auto / Fleet insurance - coverage dates June 1, 2010 through June 1, 2011, as presented.
- **Approved** renewal of Property – Casualty / Windstorm Insurance as presented.
- **Approved** renewal of contract with Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, L.L.P. for the collection of delinquent property taxes as presented.
- **Awarded** CSP 29-15 for Annual Contract for Awards, Trophies, and Incentive Items – Discount from Catalog as presented to: 4Imprint, Authentic Promotions.com, Brady Hull & Associates L.C., Eagle 1 Print-Services, Gandy Ink, GTM Sportswear, Gulf Coast Specialties, Graphics Unlimited, Inc., House of Ribbons, Ichi- Ban Trophy & Engraving, Imagestuff.com, Imprint Resources, Neff Motivatoin, Inc., Pocock Promotions, Positive Promotions, Sala Printing Service, and Sportdecals.