

BOARD UPDATE

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RECOGNITION

- **Dr. Mark Henry**, Superintendent of Schools, and **Jeff Miller**, President of the Board of Trustees, recognized **Dr. Angi Williams**, Deputy Superintendent for Educational Support, for her induction into the Texas Southern University College of Education's Hall of Fame on November 5, 2009. Dr. Williams was selected for her sincere and worthy efforts and contributions to the field of education.

- **Dr. Mark Henry**, Superintendent of Schools, and **Jeff Miller**, President of the Board of Trustees, recognized **Julien Guillory**, Associate Principal at North Shore Senior High, who was chosen as the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals Region IV High School Assistant Principal of the Year. Guillory will be recognized at the 2010 Texas Association of Secondary School Principals Summer Workshop and in a commemorative booklet entitled: *Texas Principals, Texas Heroes*. The recognition will take place at the Texas Heroes Awards Dinner to be held at the Hilton Austin Downtown Hotel in June.

ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT

Cheri Dixon, Principal at Green Valley Elementary School, presented information regarding instructional programs at Green Valley.

REPORTS

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

- **Bourke Meagher**, Associate Superintendent of Human Resources and Communication Services, presented the first reading of revisions to TASB Localized Policy Update 86. This update addresses numerous topics including: election procedures, content of the district improvement plan, activity funds management, purchasing, energy conservation, integrated pest management, electronic textbooks, transportation safety, criminal history checks, incentive and mentor teacher programs, assault leave, employee grievances, Public Information Act, physical education, graduation requirements, military dependents, grading, Student Success Initiative, student absences, and student discipline.

- **Elizabeth Lalor**, Director of District Compliance, College Prep and High School Instructional Leadership, presented information on the progress Galena Park ISD made with regards to meeting the Highly Qualified Teacher Requirements for the 2009 – 2010 school year. This report is required by the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) law.

- **Mike Ball**, Chief Financial Officer, presented a report on bond financing alternatives for the district.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Approved** the resolution and executed the Certification of Ballot casting the Board of Trustees' vote for a candidate to serve on the Board of Directors of the Harris County Appraisal District as presented.

CONSTRUCTION CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** Bay Architects as the architectural firm of record for Cunningham Middle School – Renovations Project No. 044-2009 as presented.

- **Approved** an increase in the construction budget for batting cages at North Shore Senior High and Galena Park High School – Project No.: 908-2009 – including the cost of repairs to the Maintenance Facility Building as presented.

GENERAL CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved** the proposal for the disposal of outdated student computers as presented.

FINANCIAL CONSENT AGENDA

- **Awarded** CSP 29-04 for Grease Trap Cleaning to Southwaste Disposal, LLC for one year beginning November 9, 2009, through October 31, 2010, with 2 annual renewal options as presented.

- **Awarded** CSP 29-05 for Elevator Maintenance and Repair and Yearly Inspections to Elevator Transportation Services, Inc. for one year beginning November 9, 2009, through October 31, 2010, with 2 annual renewal options as presented.

- **Approved** the Proposed Budget Amendments for the month of October 2009 as presented.