

BOARD UPDATE

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RECOGNITION

• **Dr. Mark Henry**, superintendent of schools, recognized new administrators **Joanne Elston** and **Nancy Webster**. Elston, program director of science/health 9-12 most recently served as 9-12 science curriculum specialist for Katy ISD. Webster, director for instructional measurement/accountability most recently served as coordinator of testing in Humble ISD.

• **Dr. Mark Henry**, superintendent of schools, recognized bus drivers, **Tequandra Chizer** and **Krystal Odom**, and the Director of Transportation, **Col. Jim Beesley**, for their exemplary job performance during a dangerous incident that occurred on Aug. 28. On that date, the Department Operations Center was notified of a dangerous situation in the Jacinto City community. During this situation two buses were delayed in delivering students home. The bus drivers did an exceptional job keeping the students calm and orderly on the bus. After a short delay the bus drivers were able to complete their route.

ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT

Darlene Lovinggood, director of technology, presented an update on new technology applications in the district.

REPORTS

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

• **Bourke Meagher**, associate superintendent for human resource and communications services, presented a first reading on Policy FEB (LOCAL) Attendance: Attendance Accounting.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSTRUCTION CONSENT AGENDA

• **Approved** the Change Order for Project No.: 107-2008, MacArthur Elementary – Office Renovations in the amount of \$55,760.60 for replacement of approximately 80 linear feet of sewer line.

GENERAL CONSENT AGENDA

• **Established** that all real property owned, leased, or rented by Galena Park ISD and all areas within 1000 feet of said property, and all school buses are declared Gang Free Zones.

• **Adopted** Policy BQA (LOCAL) Planning and Decision-Making Process District Level, as presented.

• **Adopted** Policy EIC (LOCAL) Academic Achievement: Class Ranking, as presented.

• **Approved** the list of high school advanced courses as presented.

FINANCIAL CONSENT AGENDA

• **Approved** Chu Architects as the architectural firm of record for the new batting cages at Galena Park High School and North Shore Senior High School (Project No.: 908-2009).

• **Adopted** the resolution authorizing a new representative to execute financial transactions pertaining to TexPool.

• **Adopted** the resolution authorizing a new representative to execute financial transactions pertaining to First Public (Lone Star Investment Pool).

• **Adopted** the resolutions authorizing signature changes in order to execute banking transactions relating to all accounts with Woodforest National Bank.

• **Approved** the tax refund request for overpayment of taxes from Select Portfolio Services in the amount of \$926.89.

• **Awarded** CSP 29-01 for In-Store Purchases of School Materials, Supplies, and Miscellaneous Items to all vendors that met the specifications and conditions. Listed below are the fourteen companies being recommended: A+ Trophy; Roy's Moonwalks; Ace Mart Restaurant Supply; Sam's Club #8281 Funtime Moonwalks; Shiloh Printing L.L.C.; Graphics Unlimited Inc.; The Wild Orchid; Havard Welding Supply Co., Inc.; USA T-Shirt Authority; Kwik Kop Printing; Village Frame Shoppe; Lakeshore Learning Materials; Wal-Mart #3500.

• **Accepted** the renewal proposal from Texas Political Subdivision's Joint Self-Insurance Fund to provide Worker's Compensation for the coverage term of October 1, 2009, through September 30, 2010.