



# Board Meeting

## H I G H L I G H T S

Board Meeting A held on May 14, 2018 at 406 Barrera St., San Antonio, Tx. 78210  
Board Meeting B held on May 21, 2018 at 406 Barrera St., San Antonio, Tx. 78210

### Recognitions & Resolutions

- The Board recognized the SAISD Class of 2018 Valedictorians and Salutatorians from 11 District high school campuses. The Valedictorians and Salutatorians have reached the highest level of academic achievement in their prospective graduating classes. The Class of 2018 Valedictorians and Salutatorians are as follows: Juan Reyes Jr. and Cassandra Acosta (Brackenridge HS); Yliana Beck and Hannah Benavides (Burbank HS); Tarik Islam and Maria Garcia (Edison HS); Sierra Gonzales and Marsha Caridad Amor Madrigal (Fox Tech HS); Kiana Rodriguez and Sarah Wilson (Highlands HS); Victoria Villesca and Jonathan Gadison (Sam Houston HS); Brianna Mitchell and Alyssa Loreda (Jefferson HS); Cristian Avalos and Isauro Ramos Viruete (Lanier HS); Mark Pantoja and Triniti Armstrong (St. Phillip's Early College HS); Joshua Medina and Ethan Hernandez (Travis Early College HS); Maria Teresa Conchas and Alexis Arizola (Young Women's Leadership Academy).
- Trustees recognized the 2017-2018 members of the SAISD Student Advisory Committee. The purpose of this Committee is to provide student input on educational issues to the Board and Superintendent. The Committee is composed of one student representative from each of the 12 high schools. The Committee selects topics to discuss throughout the school year and meets with the Board and Superintendent monthly. The students provide feedback on these topics as well as a report on the responses from their peers. This year's Student Advisory Committee consisted of the following students. They are: Cassandra Acosta (Brackenridge HS); Sofia Colorado (Burbank HS); Danielle Ruiz (Cooper Academy at Navarro); Christopher Martinez (Edison HS); Isaai Ortega (Fox Tech HS); Catalina Canizalez (Highlands HS); Jasmin Leyva (Jefferson HS); Jennifer Fuentes (Lanier HS); Madison Jackson (Sam Houston HS); Tia Thomas (St. Philip's Early College HS); Seth De La Fuente (Travis Early College HS); and Maria Teresa Conchas (Young Women's Leadership Academy).
- The Board recognized students from Fox Tech HS, Young Women's Leadership Academy, and Bonham Academy for participating in the Texas State History Day competition on April 28, 2018. All students placed either first or second in their project category at the San Antonio Regional History Day in February after placing first or second at the SAISD History Day in December 2017. National History Day is a nonprofit organization that conducts a yearlong program that requires students to advance through a series of competitions at the local, regional, state, and national levels. In order to participate in the National History Day series of competitions, students created a project linked to this year's contest theme, "Conflict and Compromise in History." Students chose a specific topic in line with this theme, engaged in deep research using both primary and secondary sources, and created a project selected from five categories: performance, documentary, paper, website, or exhibit. SAISD students participated in the Texas State History Day competition in the performance, paper, and website categories. The following SAISD students competed at the Texas State History Day competition: Davion Milton, Dallas Gonzalez, and Marisol Rodriguez (Senior Group

Performance) (Fox Tech HS); Richard Garcia (Senior Individual Performance) (Fox Tech HS); Isabella Mazzucca (Junior Paper) (Young Women's Leadership Academy); Christiana Garcia (Junior Individual Documentary) (YWLA); Devyn Moore (Senior Individual Documentary) (YWLA); and Ben Welchman, Matthew Miller, Ollin Culbert-Mendoza, Andrew Trevino, and James Lee (Junior Group Performance) (Bonham Academy).

- Trustees recognized SAISD's JROTC students for their achievements at the United States Army Cadet Command National Drill Team Championship held in Louisville, Kentucky on April 14, 2018 and the All Service Drill Team National Championship held in Daytona Beach on May 4, 2018. JROTC groups honored included Brackenridge, Highlands and Jefferson high schools.

## SAISD 2018-2019 Budget Update

The Board received a presentation on the 2018-2019 budget from Larry Garza, Associate Superintendent of Financial Services and Business Operations. This budget update provided insight on a projected decline in student membership for 2018-2019 and the expected impact to state revenue. The presentation also showed the number of teachers that will be displaced due to schools with declining enrollment or program changes. The District will manage the projected revenue decline with full consideration of the potential impact to employees, students, families, taxpayers, and the greater SAISD community. Included in the presentation was a report on the local property tax values, general fund balance, proposed I&S tax rate, debt service budget and child nutrition budget. The 2018-2019 General Fund Budget is scheduled for approval in June.

## Revisions to Board Policy Related to Open Enrollment Approved

The Board approved staff's recommendation of the addition of a "Choice Schools and Choice Programs" section to Board Policy FDB (LOCAL) in compliance with the Texas Education Code (TEC) and Texas Administrative Code (TAC) related to open enrollment. This section defines "Choice Schools" and "Choice Programs" and states that the Superintendent or designee will develop administrative procedures and regulations regarding them. While the District has guidelines in place for Choice Schools and Choice Programs, formal administrative procedures are currently in development.

## Two Solar-Powered Photo Murals at J.T. Brackenridge Approved

Trustees approved the installation of the two solar panels at J.T. Brackenridge ES. By using a new technology, the solar panels will not appear as standard solar panels, but will instead look like two photo murals while generating electricity. These solar panels will be installed on the west wall façade of the school on Brazos Street. Each photo mural will be comprised of nine 60-cell solar modules in a 3-ft by 3-ft composition. The solar modules will be connected to the school's electrical meter by South Texas Solar Systems, a certified solar installer. All equipment will be exterior mounted and no additional equipment will be placed in the electrical room of the school. Through student and community design workshops in April, the photos selected for the wall are a 1908 school photo of students and a current photo of the 75 students who took part in the workshops. These students are fifth-grade science students taught by Mr. Pablo Vegas. It is anticipated that the solar energy captured will provide 100 percent of the electricity to light up the existing photo-banners along Guadalupe Street. The photo-banners were installed in 2006 as part of the neighborhood photo exhibition, "En Aquellos Tiempos: Fotohistorias del Westside." These banners are currently not illuminated and are not very visible at night. As a standard building-integrated solar module installation, currently there is minimal maintenance. The murals will also be protected by the building eave. South Texas Solar Systems will ensure

the system is operating at peak efficiency and will resolve any issues that may arise with the power electronics or the solar modules. Plans will be reviewed and approved by the Construction Services Department ahead of installation, which is expected to begin in August 2018.

## Items Approved

- Declare the Specific Employment Areas Affected by the Reduction in Force pursuant to Board Policy DFFB (LOCAL).
- Declare the Specific Teaching Fields affected by the Necessary Reduction in Personnel pursuant to DFF (LEGAL) and Texas Education Code.
- Declare the Hearing Process for Term Contract Employees Affected by the Reduction in Force to be a Non-Renewal Hearing conducted by the Board of Trustees and Declare the Hearing Process for Continuing Contract Employees Affected by the Necessary Reduction in Personnel to be that Process Provided by Texas Education Code Section 21.207 for Non-Renewal of a Term Contract and that it also be a Hearing conducted by the Board of Trustees.
- Approval of Waiver of Deadline to Provide Notice of Resignation/Retirement Under the Accumulated Leave Attendance Incentive Plan (ALIP) and Board Policy DEC (LOCAL).
- Revisions to the Grant Agreement and Resolution between SAISD's Child Nutrition Services Department and the Culinary Institute of America (CIA) for a Chef-Driven Program.
- Waiver of penalty and interest for the real property account of Tisdale LLC.
- Monthly Budget Reports and Amendments for May 2018.
- Modification of the resignation submission deadline of the Accumulated Leave Attendance Incentive Plan (ALIP) found in Board Policy DEC (LOCAL) so as to include all employees affected by the May 2018 Reduction in Force (RIF).
- Mexican-American Studies Innovative Course for Offering at High Schools during the 2018-2019 School Year.
- Submit Application to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) for an Attendance Waiver for Low Attendance Day on Dec. 8, 2017. Due to weather and safety concerns by the public on Dec. 8, 2017 (the day after a substantial snow fall across San Antonio) many families chose to keep their children at home as the snow remained on the ground throughout the morning.
- Submit Application to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) for an Attendance Waiver for Low Attendance Day on Jan. 17, 2018. Due to weather and safety concerns by the public on Jan. 17, 2018 (the day after a canceled school day due to an ice storm across San Antonio) many families chose to keep their children at home as the ice remained on the ground in areas throughout the morning.
- Professional Services Agreement of American Traffic Solutions for Stop Arm Safety Camera Enforcement System. This is for student safety which also includes Wi-Fi functionality for students on the bus and a rider tracking system.

- Architectural Services for the New SAISD Central Office Administration Building to RVK Architects, Inc. and authorize the Superintendent of Schools to negotiate and execute an agreement at a fair and reasonable fee.
- Dates and Locations to Conduct Items of Business Regarding the Annual Budget and Setting of the Tax Rate.
- Proposed 2018-2019 Tax Rate to be Published in the Notice of Public Meeting to Discuss Budget and Proposed Tax Rate.
- Money Network Payroll Cards Program Agreement to Allow Electronic Payment for all District Employees.
- Review of Investment Policy and Strategies CDA (LOCAL) and CDA (LEGAL).
- List of Qualified Investment Brokers/Dealers who will assist SAISD with the investment of District funds in compliance with Texas Government Code.
- Resolution to Request District Participation in the TexasTERM Local Government Investment Pool.
- Approval of Minutes for April 9, 2018 Board Business Meeting A and April 16, 2018 Board Business Meeting B.

## Board of Trustee Committee Reports

Steve Lecholop (Academic Excellence Committee) and (Ethics Committee), Debra Guerrero (Finance & Audit Committee), James Howard (Governance Committee), Ed Garza (Growth and Development Committee) and Art Valdez (Student Advisory Committee) provided reports.

## Contracts Approved

- Addendum to the Dual Credit Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) between SAISD and the Alamo Colleges for a Summer Term Dual Credit Pilot.
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD and Relay Graduate School of Education as an Addendum to the Planning Grants from City Education Partners for Relay Summer Experience at Ogden Academy.
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Third-Party Skills Testing Provider for Commercial Driver's License between the San Antonio Independent School District (SAISD) and North East Independent School District (NEISD). A program offered by the State of Texas allows organizations and school districts to become certified to provide the Commercial Driver's License driving exam which will reduce the wait time for state available appointments. SAISD is looking to become certified in-house to provide the state driving exam. Until the District is certified, NEISD will serve as an additional testing site to the state.

## Bids, Proposals and Purchases for Goods Approved

- Professional Development/Services and Support Materials. This award will provide professional development training, included related purchases of materials and supplies for District-wide use on an "as needed" basis.

- General Student Learning Materials and Software. This purchase will provide educational interactive software, websites, e-learning platforms, books, workbook consumables, assessments and associated curriculum guides for District-wide use on an “as needed” basis.
- Commodity Processing in support of campus cafeterias District-wide, during the 2018-2019 School Year on an “as needed” basis.
- Food, Paper and Chemical Products, and Equipment Supplies and Services in support of campus cafeterias District-wide, Administrative Dining Room, and Concessions during the 2018-2019 School Year on an “as needed” basis.
- Purchase and installation of perimeter fencing at Steele Montessori.
- Relocation of Portable Classroom Buildings District-wide on an “as needed” basis and provide related infrastructural and utilities services.
- Purchase and installation of Furniture. This award will support the new programs including but not limited to Irving Dual Language Academy and Carroll Early Childhood campuses receiving 6<sup>th</sup> and/or 7<sup>th</sup> grade students on an “as needed” basis.
- Purchase and installation of Whiteboards. This award will provide an updated writable surface for classrooms in order to enhance instruction at various campuses District-wide on an “as needed” basis.
- Dry Cleaning Services for Band, Choir, Orchestra, Spirit Group(s) and Mariachi Uniforms in support of all campuses District-wide on an “as needed” basis.
- Uniforms, Apparel and Accessories for all areas of Fine Arts which include Band, Mariachi, Choir, Spirit and Dance for District-wide use on an “as needed” basis.
- Musical, Electronic, Art & Theatre; Instruments, Equipment, Furniture, Supplies & Accessories, Repair Lab Parts Tools & Equipment for District-wide use on an “as needed” basis.
- New Band Instruments for band students at all Middle Schools, High Schools and Academies District-wide.
- Multi-Tiered Systems of Support, MTSS Program Licenses to be used for professional collaboration and data-based decision-making to facilitate the growth of each student along his/her personal learning continuum in the areas of academics, behavior, attendance and social-emotional learning for PK-8<sup>th</sup> grade students District-wide on an “as needed” basis.
- High-Production Copiers. To purchase/lease eleven (11) copiers for the three (3) print centers at Brackenridge and Lanier High School CATE Print Programs and Central Office Printing Services. This award will be used to facilitate print orders, specifically high-volume orders District-wide on an “as needed” basis.
- Classroom Supplies to be used by students during the Summer Extended Year Programs at Ball, Foster and Woodlawn Academies, Sam Houston High School, Lowell, Tafolla, Rogers, Poe and Davis Middle Schools.

- Evaluation and Support System to collect and evaluate data including but not limited to Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System (T-TESS) and Texas Principal Evaluation and Support System (T-PESS) and their results.
- Testing Materials and Scoring Services for CoGAT, the IOWA Test of Basic Skills and the Woodcock-Munoz. This purchase will support all schools for students in grades Pre-K - 12<sup>th</sup> on an “as needed” basis.
- Computer Adaptive Assessments, in support of K - 12<sup>th</sup> grade students in reading and math and 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in science District-wide on as “as needed” basis.
- Diesel and Unleaded Gasoline. This purchase will provide fuel for all buses and district vehicles for District-wide use on an “as needed” basis.

### Moved to June Board Meeting

- Recognition of SAISD Students with Perfect Attendance from Grade One through Senior Year

#### **Board of Education**

**Patti Radle, President; Arthur V. Valdez, Vice President;  
Debra Guerrero, Secretary; Ed Garza, Member; James Howard, Member; Steve Lecholop, Member;  
Christina Martinez, Member; Pedro Martinez, Superintendent**

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