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BOARD NOTES

October 10, 2011

Marc Williamson, Superintendent

AWARDS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

There were no awards or special recognition.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The following Consent Agenda items were approved:

- Minutes from the September 12, 2011 meeting
- Financial Reports
- Estimated Fund Balance
- Budget Amendments
- Tax Collection Report
- Bond Issue Report
- Quarterly Investment Report
- Tax Rolls
- State Program Monitoring Guide
- NCLB Highly Qualified Report
- Appraisal District Budget

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

- Principal's Report. Ms. Dietrich reported on the upcoming events at Stonewall including a joint book fair and trunk or treat on October 26. PTO is finishing up a cookie dough fundraiser and the new bullying program is being well received by the students and teachers. Enrollment is 102.
- FIRST Hearing. FISD received a superior rating from the annual financial review.
- High School Exemption Policy. The Board approved a new exemption policy for the High School. The new policy puts more weight on TAKS passing as an exemption factor. It takes affect with finals at the end of the year.
- STAAR Policy Starting Points. The new policies related to STAAR have such an impact that the High School formed a committee to review the several options available.
- Goods in Transit Tax Hearing. The Board approved a resolution allowing FISD to retain the right to tax "goods in transit".
- Resolution to Suspend EIC (Local). EIC (Local) will be suspended for one year to facilitate the new STAAR testing.
- Nominations for Appraisal Board. The Board voted to nominate Tim Dooley, Jim McAfee, Harold Coates, Donald Davis, and Tony Klein for the Appraisal Board.
- FNF (Local) Searches. The change to this policy more clearly identifies lockers and desks as school property and are subject to search.

REPORTS

• CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

- * Ms. Hicks reported that the bullying programs are being introduced in Grades K-8 and initial reports indicate that the program is receiving positive feedback.
- * The Supplemental Education System (SES) providers have been screened and several have been approved. Ms. Hicks reported that over 200 providers applied for their services to be used by the Middle School.
- * Information on the STAAR test is being reviewed as it is received.
- * The first benchmark was last year but results will not be available until early next week.

• BUSINESS AND FINANCE

- * No additional report.

• OPERATIONS AND PERSONNEL

- * The tennis team had their first meet on the new courts over the weekend. Except for a few minor punch list items the work on the courts is complete.
- * There is an opening for a High School physics teacher.

• SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- * Specialists are working on the bat problem at the High School. The final decision on how to repair the fascia will be made once the review is complete.
- * There are two active lawsuits related to school funding. One deals with the cost of educating a student and the other is based on target revenue not being equal among the schools.
- * A few issues were discovered during the test of the bad weather telephone notification system. All calls were sent out at once which caused the local lines to overload resulting in busy numbers. Fewer numbers will be sent out at one time and Dr. Williamson has recorded the introduction and identifies the call as being from FISD.

BOARD BUSINESS

- The calendar of events was reviewed.
- The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for November 14 at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Office, 234 Friendship Lane, Fredericksburg.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board met in closed session.