

RICHARDSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Trustees

May 4, 2015

The Board of Trustees of the Richardson Independent School District met in a Special Meeting at 6:02 p.m., in the Administration Building, 400 South Greenville Avenue, Richardson, Texas with the following present: Mrs. Kim Caston, President; Mr. Adam Meierhofer, Vice President; Mr. Kris Oliver, Treasurer; Dr. Kristin Kuhne, Secretary; Mr. Justin Bono; and Mrs. Lanet Greenhaw; as well as Dr. Kay Waggoner, Superintendent; Mrs. Patti Kieker, Deputy Superintendent; Mr. Tony Harkleroad, Deputy Superintendent Finance; Mrs. Tabitha Branum, Assistant Superintendent Secondary; Dr. Christopher Goodson, Assistant Superintendent Elementary; Dr. Fernando Medina, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources; Mrs. Sandra Hayes, Assistant Superintendent Technology; and Ms. Mia Martin, General Counsel.

Present

None

Absent

During dinner, James Holland presented survey reports, including:

Survey Reports

- Purpose and Background
- Survey Results / Findings
  - Process
  - Participation
  - Demographics
  - Dimensions
- Strengths and Challenges
- Recommendations and Next Steps

The meeting was recessed until 7:04 p.m.

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The Board of Trustees of the Richardson Independent School District met in a Regular Meeting at 7:04 p.m. in the Auditorium, Administration Building, 400 South Greenville Avenue, Richardson, Texas with the following present: Mrs. Kim Caston, President; Mr. Adam Meierhofer, Vice President; Mr. Kris Oliver, Treasurer; Dr. Kristin Kuhne, Secretary; Mr. Justin Bono; and Mrs. Lanet Greenhaw; as well as Dr. Kay Waggoner, Superintendent; Mrs. Patti Kieker, Deputy Superintendent; Mr. Tony Harkleroad, Deputy Superintendent Finance; Mrs. Tabitha Branum, Assistant Superintendent Secondary; Dr. Christopher Goodson, Assistant Superintendent Elementary; Dr. Fernando Medina, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources; Mrs. Sandra Hayes, Assistant Superintendent Technology; and Ms. Mia Martin, General Counsel.

Present

None

Absent

The Board recognized Adam Meierhofer for his service to the Board and then recognized the following: Four Richardson HS AVID students have been named Dell Scholars, a prestigious national scholarship program that provides \$20,000, a laptop, textbook credits and ongoing support for students in college. RISD has had 31 Dell Scholars since 2009.

Recognitions

Kany Abdullah

Aisleen Menezes

Muhammad Kara

Deborah Omirin

Lake Highlands HS student AVID Richard Thawng has been named a Gates Millennium Scholar. The sought-after program is funded by a grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and provides college funds and promotes academic excellence and the opportunity for outstanding students to reach their full potential. Richardson HS Environmental Science students finished as state runner up at the Texas Envirothon, an academically challenging competition related to environmental knowledge and literacy. The team, coached by AP Environmental Science teacher Tony Strohmeyer, finished first in Aquatics and Wildlife, second in Soils and Urban Forestry, and fourth in Forestry through presentations to sponsors and university professors.

Kany Abdullah

Miriam Lamoreaux

Maysa AlQaisi

Ian Miller

Grant Clay  
Ashlyn Howell  
Raisa Ifquat

Eric Nguyen  
Rebekah Swann  
Dylan Winkler

A new initiative from College and Career Readiness selects ten students from each high school to serve as AP Ambassadors. The students visited junior high and elementary schools to discuss the benefits of advanced placement courses. The ambassadors have an important role of motivating and encouraging younger students to start thinking about their high school and college careers.

<b>Berkner HS</b>	<b>Lake Highlands HS</b>	<b>Pearce HS</b>	<b>Richardson HS</b>
Tshion Assefa	Michael Anowey	Hope Baltierra	Marone Abraham
Mireya Hernandez	Mercy Cer	Brody Brown	Leo Barajas
Aida Isayas	Josue Corzo	Michael Cruse	Alexa Lutchman
Cole Mootz	Annie Crisp	Fabrizio Deza	Aisleen Menezes
Simeon Onyeka	Berket Ghebermichael	Catherine Downey	Delia Appiah Mensah
Jason Rodriguez	Dina Lianos	Elizabeth Downey	Suzie O'Michael
HeeJin Shin	Duncan Meara	Kalia Hayes	Manasseh Osei
Cathy Tran	Diana Monyancha	Simone Levy	Tyrik Patterson
Jose Trejo-Trejo	West Roberts	Adrian Reyna	Juan Ruiz
Tam Vu	Socrates Salinas	Reese Svetgoff	Diana Acosta Valle

Director of Health Services Gloria Canham has been named the School Nurse Administrator of the Year for Region 10 by the Texas School Nurse Organization. This distinction is the highest recognition possible for a school nurse administrator, and Canham will now be considered for recognition at the state level.

The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting has been awarded to Richardson ISD Financial Services by the Government Finance Officers Association for its comprehensive annual financial report. The certificate of achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of government accounting and financial reports. The finance team has also earned the Association of School Business Officials Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting for the fiscal year ending in 2014. The prestigious award recognized the district's high level of commitment to fiscal integrity and high standards of financial reporting and accountability. Recognized for both achievements are Executive Director of Accounting, Budget and Finance Kimberly Pickens and Director of Finance Edi Truong.

RISD Deputy Superintendent of Finance and Support Tony Harkleroad has been named the winner of *D CEO* magazine's 2015 Financial Executive Award for Outstanding Public Service. There were a record number of nominees for this recognition. Harkleroad will be featured in the May/June edition of the publication.

Lynn Davenport addressed the Board regarding STAAR test concerns.

Carrie Tracy addressed the Board regarding state assessments and teacher retention.

Kristin Wissner addressed the Board regarding STAAR test concerns.

Katie Fuerst addressed the Board regarding STAAR test concerns.

Ethan Fuerst addressed the Board regarding standardized tests.

Bam Olvedo addressed the Board regarding STAAR test concerns.

Bonnie Abadie addressed the Board regarding STAAR assessments.

Cindy Wilkerson addressed the Board regarding testing concerns.

Angela Ponce addressed the Board regarding testing stress.

Randy Averette, William Everett, and Hart Nakwaasah addressed the Board regarding student arrests.

Visitors

A motion was made by Kristin Kuhne and seconded by Justin Bono to approve the consent agenda as follows: approve minutes of April 6 and April 20, 2015 meetings; approve human resources report as listed on page 761 a-g; approve recommended specified low bids, contracts, cumulative purchases and grants as listed on page 761 h-n; confirm schedule of upcoming bids, confirm bond expenditure report; confirm alternative funding sources report; confirm quarterly investment report; approve schedule for 2011 Bond Project design, bids and construction for 2011 Bond/April; approve administrative write-offs of 2010 personal property taxes; and approve Region 10 contracted services.

No. 8170  
Consent  
Agenda

Kim Caston, Kris Oliver, Adam Meierhofer, Lanet Greenhaw, Justin Bono, Kristin Kuhne

Yeas

None

Nays

A motion was made by Kris Oliver and seconded by Adam Meierhofer to approve the resolution whereas, there are presently outstanding certain obligations of Richardson Independent School District (the "District"), described on Schedule I attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes (collectively, the "Refunded Bond Candidates"), which are secured by and payable from ad valorem taxes levied, assessed and collected, without legal limit as to rate or amount, on property within the District in an amount

No. 8171  
Bond Sale

sufficient to pay principal of and interest on such bonds as they become due; and whereas, it is intended that all or a portion of the Refunded Bond Candidates shall be designated as Refunded Bonds (as hereinafter defined) in the Pricing Certificates (as hereinafter defined) executed under this order from time to time and shall be refunded pursuant to this Order and the Pricing Certificate; and whereas, Chapter 1207, Texas Government Code, as amended ("Chapter 1207") authorizes the District to issue refunding bonds for the purpose of refunding or defeasing the Refunded Bonds in advance of their maturities, and to accomplish such refunding or defeasance by depositing directly with a paying agent for the Refunded Bonds (or other qualified escrow agent), the proceeds of such refunding bonds, together with other available funds, in an amount sufficient to provide for the payment or redemption of the Refunded Bonds, and provides that such deposit shall constitute the making of firm banking and financial arrangements for the discharge and final payment or redemption of the Refunded Bonds; and whereas, the District desires to authorize the execution of one or more escrow agreements in order to provide for the deposit of proceeds of the refunding bonds and, to the extent specified pursuant hereto, other lawfully available funds of the District, to pay the redemption price of the Refunded Bonds when due; and WHEREAS, upon the issuance of the refunding bonds herein authorized and the deposit of funds referred to above, the Refunded Bonds shall no longer be regarded as being outstanding, except for the purpose of being paid pursuant to such deposit, and the pledges, liens, trusts and all other covenants, provisions, terms and conditions of the orders authorizing the issuance of the Refunded Bonds shall be, with respect to the Refunded Bonds, discharged, terminated and defeased; and whereas, the Board of Trustees of the District hereby finds and determines that the issuance and delivery of the refunding bonds hereinafter authorized is in the public interest and the use of the proceeds in the manner herein specified constitutes a valid public purpose; and whereas, the Board of Trustees hereby finds and determines that the refunding contemplated in this Order will benefit the District by providing a present value savings in the debt service payable by the District in an amount specified in the Pricing Certificate, and that such benefit is sufficient consideration for the refunding of the Refunded Bonds; and whereas, the voters of the District have approved school building bonds voted pursuant to the Constitution and the laws of the state of Texas, including particularly Chapter 45 of the Texas Education Code, as amended, ("Chapter 45") and at an election held within the District on May 14, 2011 (the "Election"); and whereas, at said Election, the voters authorized the amount of school building bonds set forth below in the following schedule; and

<u>Election</u>	<u>Amount Voted</u>	<u>Amount Previously Issued</u>	<u>Amount Being Issued</u>	<u>Authorized but Unissued Balance</u>
May 14, 2011	\$170,000,000	\$153,000,000	\$17,000,000	\$-0-

whereas, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the District does hereby determine that the school building bonds in an amount not to exceed \$17,000,000, exclusive any premium charged against voted authority, should be issued out of the school building bonds voted at the Election; and whereas, the actual amount issued therefrom pursuant to this Order from time to time and the balance that remains after the issuance of the school building bonds authorized in this Order shall be indicated in the Pricing Certificate for each series or subseries of Bonds; and whereas, the Board has found and determined that it is necessary and in the best interest of the District and its citizens that it authorize by this Order the issuance and delivery of such bonds for constructing, improving, renovating and equipping school buildings of the District, and the purchase of necessary sites therefor and paying the costs of issuing the Bonds at this time; and whereas, the school building bonds are authorized to be issued pursuant to Chapter 45 and such bonds are authorized to be issued in combination with refunding bonds pursuant to Section 1207.004, Texas Government Code; and whereas, the Board of Trustees hereby finds and determines that it is necessary and in the best interest of the District and its citizens that it authorize by this Order the issuance and delivery of its bonds at this time, and whereas, the District has a principal amount of at least \$100,000,000 in a combination of outstanding long-term indebtedness and long-term indebtedness proposed to be issued, and some amount of such long-term indebtedness is rated in one of the four highest rating categories for long-term debt instruments by a nationally recognized rating agency for municipal securities without regard to the effect of any credit agreement or other form of credit enhancement entered into in connection with the obligation, and therefore qualifies as an "Issuer" under Chapter 1371 of the Texas Government Code, as amended ("Chapter 1371"); and whereas, pursuant to Chapters 1207 and 1371, the District desires to delegate the authority to effect the sale of the Bonds from time to time to the Authorized Officer; and whereas, the meeting at which this Order is being considered is open to the public as required by law, and the public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code; now, therefore be it ordered by the Board of Trustees of the Richardson Independent School District to take action on an order authorizing the issuance of Richardson Independent School District Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds and Refunding Bonds in the not to exceed an aggregate principal amount of \$62,875,000 in one or more sales; providing for the security and payment thereof; providing for the a ward of the sales thereof in accordance with specified parameters; authorizing the execution and delivery of one or more purchase contracts, paying agent/registrars agreements and escrow agreements; approving the preparation of one or more official statements; and enacting other provisions related thereto.

Kim Caston, Kris Oliver, Adam Meierhofer, Lanet Greenhaw, Justin Bono, Kristin Kuhne	Yeas
None	Nays
A motion was made by Kris Oliver and seconded by Lanet Greenhaw to approve the resolution whereas the Board of Trustees has approved the appropriate budgets and staffing allocations for the Richardson Independent School District and the following recommendations fall within those guidelines; and whereas, the appointment of highly qualified, student-focused staff supports the Board’s vision, values, goals, and mission; therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of the Richardson Independent School District approves the Professional Staff Contract Recommendations as submitted.	No. 8172 Professional Staff Contracts
Kim Caston, Kris Oliver, Adam Meierhofer, Lanet Greenhaw, Justin Bono, Kristin Kuhne	Yeas
None	Nays
Brief additional remarks regarding the survey reports were presented.	
Dr. Fernando Medina presented a Retention task Force update which included:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Objectives and Considerations</li> <li>• Leadership</li> <li>• Compensation and Evaluation</li> <li>• Career Pathways</li> <li>• Professional Development</li> <li>• Staff Appreciation and Recognition</li> <li>• School and District Operations</li> <li>• Recruit to Retain</li> <li>• Program Monitoring</li> <li>• Q &amp; A</li> </ul>	Retention Task Force Update
A motion was made by Justin Bono and seconded by Kris Oliver to approve the resolution whereas the Board of Trustees adopted the budget for the fiscal year in June; and whereas, changes occur in expenditures during the year; and whereas, these changes are necessary for the successful education of the students in the district and whereas, we will ensure excellence in operations; now therefore, be it resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Richardson Independent School District approves the Budget Status Report as submitted.	No. 8173 Budget Status Report
Kim Caston, Kris Oliver, Adam Meierhofer, Lanet Greenhaw, Justin Bono, Kristin Kuhne	Yeas
None	Nays
A motion was made by Lanet Greenhaw and seconded by Kristin Kuhne to approve the resolution whereas, the Board of Trustees has accepted the following gifts and approved amending the District’s overall budget therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of the Richardson Independent School District accepts the gifts of \$5,000 or more and approves amending the District’s overall budget for a total cash and supply equipment value of \$176,002.10 as listed on page 762 a-b. Gifts less than \$5,000 for a total cash and supply equipment value of \$22,203.71 were confirmed as listed on page 762 b-c.	No. 8174 Gifts
Kim Caston, Kris Oliver, Adam Meierhofer, Lanet Greenhaw, Justin Bono, Kristin Kuhne	Yeas
None	Nays
In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.071-Consultation With Attorney, Section 551.072- Real Property, and/or Section 551.074-Personnel Matters, the Board entered into Closed Meeting at 10:04 p.m.to discuss grant contract negotiations and potential land sale.	Closed Session
The Board reconvened into Open Meeting at 11:07 p.m., having taken no action during closed session.	Open Session
The meeting was adjourned at 11:08 p.m.	

Approved as submitted on \_\_\_\_\_:

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DR. KRISTIN KUHNE, Secretary

Approved:

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KIM CASTON, President

Budget  
Discussion

Closed Session

Open Session

Nays