

Katy ISD Board of Trustees Meeting August 26, 2009

BUDGET APPROVED

- The Board approved a \$429,378,375 general operating fund budget for the 2009-10 fiscal year. The total budget, which includes general operating, special revenue and debt service funds, is \$539,725,230.
- In other budget related action the Board:
 - approved the 2008-09 final amended budget
 - designated the August 31, 2009 fund balance.

STIMULUS FUNDING

- The district will apply for approximately \$13 million in supplemental IDEA and Title I grants available under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) for projects that will support student learning. Project funds will be earmarked for technology integration, professional learning, instructional materials and resources, learning environment, services and related activities, and parent community involvement. With a green light from the Board, the grant applications will advance to the Texas Education Agency for final approval.

INSURANCE

- The Board took action on several insurance-related items:
 - Approved the 2010 employee medical plan. After two years of no increases in employee contributions, the employee share of premiums will go up by 8%. The increase will be \$9 or less per month for 62% of covered employees. The range of increase is based on the plan and coverage tier selected.
 - Renewed the basic life and accidental death and dismemberment policy provided for all employees.
 - Renewed an agreement with the Texas Association of School Boards for Workers' Compensation third-party administrative services.
 - Renewed the same menu of voluntary benefits as offered in 2008-09.
 - Approved a proposal from Lexington/Wells Fargo for the district's property insurance policy.

NEW NAME FOR TAYLOR FIELD

- The Board renamed the Taylor High School baseball field Cerny Field in honor of long-time Taylor baseball coach Melvin Cerny.



OTHER ACTION

- In other action, the Board:
 - approved personnel recommendations including hiring and accepting resignations of professional contractual personnel, hiring Dave Meadows as interim football coach at Morton Ranch High School, and notifying four employees of the termination of their term contracts.
 - approved a proposal for junior high athletic equipment and supplies.
 - approved a proposal for publications and printing services management.
 - adopted a Memorandum of Understanding with Harris County for operation of a Juvenile Justice Alternative Program.
 - designated Chris Crockett and Neal Howard as delegate and alternate to the 2009 Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Delegate Assembly.
 - endorsed Stuart Stromeier of Clear Creek ISD for Region 4, Position C on the TASB Board of Directors.
 - ratified district participation in grant projects.
 - approved financial statements, check registers, and the tax report for July 2009.
 - approved minutes for Board meetings held on July 13 and 20, 2009.
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SPECIAL NOTES

- **Abigail Berner**, a 5th grader at Nottingham Country Elementary, led the pledges of allegiance.
 - The Board recognized artist **Veronica Buentello**, who created a mural for the Newcomer Welcome Center at Morton Ranch High School. A native of Mexico, Ms. Buentello is an alumna of the district's Parent Center program, which is part of the Department of Other Languages. She was introduced by Sharon Malazzo, Parent Center & Student Program Coordinator.
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FUTURE MEETINGS

- Wednesday, September 16, 6:30 p.m. – Board work study session
- Monday, September 21, 6:30 p.m. – regular Board meeting