

Katy ISD Board of Trustees Meeting June 30, 2009

NEW JUNIOR HIGH PRINCIPALS

- The Board named new principals for two junior high schools:
 - Mayde Creek Jr. High: Tory Hill, currently instructional assistant principal at Cinco Ranch High School
 - Cinco Ranch Jr. High: Elizabeth Kuylen, currently principal at Exley Elementary School

2009-10 APPRAISALS

- The Board took action on two items related to teacher appraisals for the coming year:
 - the list of second appraisers for the Professional Development and Appraisal System (PDAS).
 - calendars for PDAS and KDAS (Katy Development and Appraisal System).
- The calendar follows the requirements for administration of appraisal systems established by the State Board of Education.

DISCIPLINE MANAGEMENT PLAN

- The Discipline Management Plan and Code of Student Conduct was adopted for the coming school year. The majority of revisions were made for clarity and to ensure consistency with policy. Copies will be distributed to students at the beginning of school and posted on katyisd.org.

WAIVER REQUESTS

- The Board approved several waiver requests to be forwarded to the Texas Education Agency:
 - staff development days on Oct. 12, Jan. 4 and April 16.
 - early release days at the end of each grading period: Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 18, Feb. 19, April 15 and June 3.
 - late arrival (four hours after the normal beginning of the school day) on March 30 and April 27 for high school students who have completed TAKS requirements for graduation.
 - Late arrival (three hours) for 12th graders on Oct. 14. All 10th and 11th graders will be taking the PSAT on that date.



OTHER ACTION

- In other action, the Board approved:
 - proposals for trash removal and disposal services; athletic trainer supplies; disposable food service products; grocery products, commodity storage and beverages; and preventive maintenance and repair services on emergency generators.
 - a plan to dispose of approximately 140 surplus math manipulative kits by donating them to Galveston ISD to replace instructional resources lost during Hurricane Ike. The surplus kits had been provided at no cost to Katy ISD by publishers.
 - a Memorandum of Understanding with Fort Bend County to provide facilities for dispensing medication in the event of a declared public health emergency.
 - an amendment to the district's IRS Section 125 Plan Document. Section 125 allows employees to purchase optional benefits on a pre-tax basis.
 - the departmental staffing plan for 2009-10.
 - participation in 2009-10 grant projects.
 - June 2009 budget amendments.
 - May 2009 financial statements, check registers and tax report.
 - minutes for regular Board meetings on May 13 and May 18, 2009.
 - hiring and resignations of professional contractual personnel.
- Trustees took no action on a resolution allowing the Fort Bend Central Appraisal District (FBCAD) to purchase land and build a new facility in Rosenberg. The proposal requires a vote from the governing bodies of FBCAD's member jurisdictions.

SPECIAL NOTES

- Williams Elementary 5th grader **Hayden Smith** led the pledges of allegiance.
- During the open forum:
 - Three speakers requested a review and revision of the district's rules regarding admission to summer school credit recovery courses.
 - One person spoke in opposition to the FBCAD request for approval to build new facility.
 - A group of students and advisors urged the Board to support expansion of the FIRST Robotics program to all Katy ISD high schools.
- Dr. Debbie Harris, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, presented a report on her department's activities and accomplishments.
- The Board met in closed session to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation and Board goals.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- Monday, July 13, 6:30 p.m. – Board work study session
- Tuesday, July 20, 6:30 p.m. – regular Board meeting