

Katy ISD Board of Trustees Meeting September 21, 2009

2009-10 TAX RATES

- The district's total tax rate will remain at \$1.5266, the same as it has been since 2007-08. The Board approved:
 - a maintenance and operations (M&O) tax rate of \$1.1266 per \$100.
 - a debt service rate of \$.40 per \$100.
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WOLFE STEERING COMMITTEE

- Acting on a recommendation from the Wolfe Steering Committee, the board voted to proceed with plans to build a school on the Wolfe site that will house K-12 and implement the International Baccalaureate Program at all three levels.
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A NEW NAME FOR THE BOOKS

- The Board renamed the West Memorial Jr. High School library in honor of retired counselor Larry Hodo. Hodo served at WMJH for its first 32 years history, beginning as a physical education teacher and coach, and as counselor from 1977 to 2009.
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OTHER ACTION

- In other action, the Board approved:
 - personnel recommendations including hiring and accepting resignations of professional contractual personnel.
 - a proposal for welding gases, equipment, supplies and repair services.
 - a proposal for maintenance and repair of elevators and wheel chair lifts.
 - a proposal for HVAC and refrigeration equipment, parts, supplies and refrigerant gases.
 - a proposal for high school football equipment and supplies.
 - an electrical easement for CenterPoint Energy associated with the new storage facility at the Support Services Complex
 - a recreational easement for Harris County Precinct 3 at Mayde Creek Elementary to accommodate a pedestrian/bike trail segment.
 - a renewed interlocal agreement with the Texas Association of School Boards to participate in an unemployment compensation insurance pool.
 - a recommendation to dispose of purged library books by donating them to the *Books Abroad* program.
 - district participation in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for State Fiscal Stabilization Funds.
 - check registers and the tax report for August 2009, and budget amendments for September.
 - minutes for Board meetings held on August 19 and 26, 2009.
 - nominated candidates for appraisal district Boards of Directors: Toni Trumble, Harris County; Mary Gayle Brindley and Wayne Polderac, Ft. Bend County; and Ann Davis, Waller County.



SPECIAL NOTES

- **Alexandra Childs**, a 5th grader at Kilpatrick Elementary, led the pledges of allegiance.
- During the recognitions, the Board honored:
 - **Howard Caywood**, named by the State Board of Education as a Texas Hero for Children.
 - State UIL Solo and Ensemble Outstanding Performers **Kristopher Azarm**, Taylor High School; **Cesar Dominguez**, Katy High School; **Howard Fan**, Morton Ranch High School; **Isaac Kim**, Taylor High School; and **Ana Moreno**, Mayde Creek High School.
 - 2009 PTA winners: **Michael Schwin**, WoodCreek Jr. High, musical composition, 1st place in Texas Reflections Contest and qualified for national competition; **Kellie Tuttle**, Williams Elementary, musical composition, qualified for national Reflections competition; **Carly Martin**, Beck Jr. High, choreography and literature, qualified for national Reflections competition; **Daniel Schwin**, Seven Lakes High School, who submitted the National PTAS's winning theme for the 2008-09 school year.
 - 2009-10 Parent Support Group Presidents:
 - Elementary: Alexander, **Kari Sezonov**; Bear Creek, **Angelique Burnside**, Cimarron, **Cheryl Wienserski**; Creech, **Lisa Madrigal**; Exley,, **Dawn Champagne**; Fielder, **Wilma Van Oostendorp**; Franz, **Anjannette Connor**; Golbow, **Kelly Grissom**; Griffin, **Cathy Black**; Hayes, **Amy Graham**; Holland, **Wendy Szczechowski**; Hutsell, **Cecilia Cormier**; Katy, **Lisa Spavale**; Kilpatrick, **Judi Smith**; King, **Myrna Flores**; Mayde Creek, **Diane Phillips**; McRoberts, **Lorna Benton**; Memorial Parkway, **Sharon Lory**; Morton Ranch, **Steve Anderson**; Nottingham Country, **Angel Canafax**; Pattison, **Shannon Rodrigues**; Rhoads, **Wendy Amstutz**; Rylander, **Theresa Wilkinson**; Schmalz, **Jessica Nuncio**; Stanley, **Courtney Doyle**; Stephens, **Stefan Boyer**; Sundown, **Barbara Estes**; West Memorial, **Cameron Felker**; Williams, **Heather Christmann**; Winborn, **Margaret Heichel**; Wolfe, **Maria Varcados**; and WoodCreek, **Dianne Pharr**
 - Junior High: Beck, **Stacey Brandt**; Beckendorff Jr. High, **Cheri Swillo**; Cardiff, **Malkia Roberts**; Cinco Ranch, **Marla Ward**; Katy, **Ann Hebert**; Mayde Creek, **Liz O'Donnell**; McMeans, **Maxx Roopchand**; Memorial Parkway, **Marie Vela**; Morton Ranch, **Lori Bode**; West Memorial, **Linda Peavy**; and WoodCreek, **Stephanie Unger**
 - High School: Cinco Ranch, **Sarah Ferguson**; Katy High, **Tammy Stringer**; Morton Ranch High, **Elaine Mundy**; Seven Lakes High, **Lynnie Beck**; and Taylor High, **Diana Fenton**
 - Katy Council PTA: **Terri Yanoviak**
- During the open forum:
 - a parent expressed the concern about the broadcast of the President's Sept. 8 speech.
 - a parent offered assistance from the Essilor Vision Foundation for vision screening.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- **Monday**, October 19, 6:30 p.m. – Board work study session (note **day** change)
- **Monday**, October 26, 6:30 p.m. – regular Board meeting