

College Station Independent School District

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College Station Independent School District Board Workshop March 24, 2015 5:30 p.m. Administrative Conference Room

A. CALL TO ORDER

a. President Valerie Jochen called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

B. DECLARATION OF QUORUM

a. A quorum of six members was declared. In attendance were President Valerie Jochen, Vice President Paul Dorsett, Secretary Jeff Harris and Trustees Michael Wesson, Carol Barrett and Quinn Williams. Trustee Michael Schaefer arrived at 5:33 p.m. The Board paused the meeting to take a picture of the entire Board for the Board Room wall. With the picture taken, the meeting resumed at 5:35 p.m.

C. WORKSHOP SESSION

- 1. Consideration, discussion and possible action related to the 2015-16 Budget
 - a. Superintendent Clark Ealy reviewed the budgets from previous years and discussed the proposed budget for the 2015-2016 school year. Since 2010 the district has made a concerted effort to reduce the deficit amount for each year and have been able to do so due to increases in enrollment for many of those years. The initial projections for the 2015-2016 deficit budget amount is \$3,699,511. Budget work will continue as we get closer to the deadline.
- 2. Receive update on 2015 Planning for Growth (PFG) Committee
 - a. The third meeting of the PFG committee will be on Thursday, March 26, 2015. Dr. Valerie Jochen and Dr. Michael Wesson, both members of the Board of Trustees for CSISD have been in attendance at these meetings. The group has looked at, discussed and reviewed lots of data in an effort to help work through what items and/or projects the district needs to consider if it goes for a bond election at some point in the future.
- 3. Consideration, discussion and possible action related to bond refunding options
 - a. CSISD currently has \$47 million of bond indebtedness that could be refinanced and could save CSISD \$4.5 million in interest. Duncan Morrow, Vice President of Frost Bank, is here to give information on the specifics of the refunding and will be present at the regular meeting with action possibly being taken at that time.
- 4. Consideration, discussion and possible action related to the 2015-2018 <u>Draft</u>
 <u>District Long Range Technology Plan</u>
 - a. Greg McIntyre reviewed the District Long Range Technology Plan,

which is considered a three year plan, although we do update the plan annually. The plan is required in order to receive federal funding. The main themes of the plan are resources for parents, professional development for integration of technology into the curriculum, increased access to devices, increased mobility, and increased bandwidth. As always, funding remains a challenge.

- Consideration, discussion and possible action related to the 2014-15
 Community Based Accountability System revisions
 - a. Molley Perry, Executive Director of Special Services and Accountability, reviewed some proposed changes to the Community Based Accountability system for this year. At the elementary level, the group added the workshop model for math, along with participation measure for fine arts, minimum sample size for TELPAS, workforce development and dropout prevention. At the intermediate/middle level: the workshop model for math was added, along with academic success for 6th grade reading and MSTAR, as well as a participation measure for fine arts, wellness and PE school sponsored activity participation, a minimum sample size for TELPAS, dropout prevention and workforce development. At the high school level, content areas for scope and sequence were defined, nontraditional course sections were added, added PSAT performance and added a participation measure for fine arts.
- Consider and act upon Region 6 Education Service Center's Board of Directors election ballot
 - a. The Board of Trustees completed ballots for election of the Region 6 ESC Board of Directors. Ballots must be postmarked by April 5, 2015.

D. ADJOURN

a. Without objection, President Valerie Jochen adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

VALERIE JOCHEN	
BOARD PRESIDENT	

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to go into executive session in accordance with Section 551.071 through 551.084 of the Texas Government Code to discuss any item (s) it is authorized to discuss in executive session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act. Any necessary Board action related to such item(s) will be taken in open session following executive session.

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VALERIE JOCHEN	JEFF HARRIS
PRESIDENT	SECRETARY