



District Site-Based Committee

DATE: November 28, 2023 Tuesday

TIME: 5:00-6:30 PM

LOCATION: ERC Board Room

Welcome and Introductions (10 minutes)

- Welcome Meeting started at 5:05
- Q&A with Superintendent, Dr. Milton "Rob" Fields
 - Updates from Dr. Fields
 - 5X5 schedule approved by board to be sunset for high school
 - Calendar updates- Considering Super Bowl Monday as a holiday. Teachers asked for more days off during the instructional year. The district is working on putting together calendar options that match suggestions that were made from teachers.
 - Converse will no longer be a year-round school starting next year.
 - IB program – no students enrolled...it has sunset itself.
 - Q- CCMR Is there an early parent engagement piece for CCMR?
 - A- We have college and career fairs and counselors educate parents and students about college and career readiness.
 - Q- Can we build something where parents can learn about the pathway choices before entering high school?
 - A- Courses are offered in middle school. There are parent meetings offered during middle school by counselors. We can look into bringing more awareness of the programs possibly through School Links.

District Improvement Plan

- DSBC approves the professional development plan, but serves in an advisory role for all other matters, including the DIP will go to the board in December or January.
- Jodi Burton presented the DIP to the committee. Goal 1= Academic Goal 2= Parent and Family Engagement Committee looked at strategies and objectives in the DIP. Notes were placed on DIP for review before it will be presented to the school board in December.

Construction & Bond Report – Standing Agenda Item (15 minutes)

- Update on construction and Bond 2022 progress with Facilities and Maintenance
 - Executive Director of Facilities, Mr. Mora, presented the updates. The monthly construction report will be presented to the board in December. The 2013 bond is complete. 2016 Proposition 2 is now complete. All funds leftover were transferred to Proposition 1. Wortham Oaks portable buildings are completed. Signs for vapes have been placed at the secondary school. Ongoing construction projects were presented as well.
 - Dr. Fields noted The Veteran's Memorial stadium and parking lot was not originally included in the 2017 bond. Because all projects in Bond 2017 were completed, board approved to use remaining funds from the 2017 bond to begin construction on the stadium and parking lot at Veterans.
 - For Bond 2022 High priority schools- Local police and JISD police calls were investigated at campuses to determine which campuses had increases in calls. These campuses are identified as high priority campuses which will receive officers and fencing projects first.
 - No questions from the committee
- Update on Technology Bond 2022 Items



Dr. Gosch presented that the newer cameras are being installed at campuses and adding the badge readers on doors that did not have badge readers. These are doors that were identified as needing badge readers. Adding a badge reader to library doors so that libraries can be a secured space. Elementary teachers will have hall passes that will provide access to the library. This will be rolled out in the near future. The badge reader hall passes will only work on the library doors and not exterior doors.

The board approved vape sensors. JLA, Judson HS, Wagner HS and Veterans Memorial HS will have the 50 vape centers distributed between the campuses.

Q- Are students using their badges on campus to receive lunch? If students don't have their badge, do they not get lunch?

A- No student is turned away for lunch. Every campus has the option to use a keypad/bar scanner/name or badge. At no point can we decline a meal if a student does not have a badge.

Q- Are vape sensors hidden?

A- They are not hidden but they are placed in a place that it will be difficult to tamper. The sensors will have a cage on them to prevent them from being broken. The sensors look like a camera, but it only detects sound and water vapor from the vape. If the sensor goes off, it will turn on a camera in the hallway near the bathroom. No cameras in the restroom. There is no sound that is made when the sensor goes off. Students will not know that it went off. It has a noise sensor that can detect if a fight happens in the restroom.

Q- Will it go off if someone screams in the hallway nearby the restroom?

A- Yes, it might go off due to a loud scream from the hallway.

Q- Why is 10% of fundraising that campuses raise being given to operation costs? At my campus \$718 was taken from my campus fundraising funds to pay for the software that runs campus activity funds.

A- In order to not use tax payer money, money was taken from student activity funds. Last year the district paid for this software fee, this year student activity funds from campuses paid for the software that is solely used for managing campus activity funds. The money taken pays for the software that runs student activity funds. Next year the district is working on using our Skyward system.

Dr. Fields presented the possibility of adding a Retention Goal to CIP- Mr. Macias would like to include retention in the District Improvement Plan (DIP) and/or Campus Improvement Plan (CIP). The plans are based on priorities. Our current standing on retention is very similar to other districts in the state and nation. Our pay is competitive to our surrounding districts. We are working on increasing employee satisfaction.

Ms. Burton stated that retention is addressed in the DIP through professional development (PD). PD is offered in August and throughout the school year. New Teacher academy is offered at the beginning of the year and throughout the year monthly.

Q- Is retention a problem?

A- We get the turnover rate in the Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR). We were below surrounding districts in the past for retention, but now we are at the same retention rate with state average.

Dr. Fields determined that we will check with Region 20 to see how we compare to surrounding districts. If we are not doing well comparatively, then we will include retention in the DIP.

Mrs. Davis presented about wanting to add a satellite bus barn to cut down the time that kids are on the buses on the southside of the district. Feedback from the committee was very positive. She also shared that we ordered 15-seventy seven passenger buses that will be delivered March 2024 and include under seat compartments for out of district trips. We plan to by 10-15 more buses in addition to these with the next issuance of the bonds.



SHAC (30 Minutes) Handouts provided.

- Immunization Updates- Above 97%! Immunization clinics will continue to be provided.
- Vape Campaign- Signs posted at all campuses.
- Narcan Update- We are in compliance. All campuses will be supplied with Narcan. Training will be provided to nurses first and then admin.
- AED updates- We purchased more of AED. Some are on backorder. Hope to have the entire district updated soon.

Meeting Ended at 6:25

DSBC Meeting Dates 5:00-6:30 pm ERC Board Room	
September 26, 2023	Tuesday In person
October 24, 2023	Tuesday In person
November 28, 2023	Tuesday In person
January 23, 2024	Tuesday In person
March 26, 2024	Tuesday In person
April 23, 2023	Tuesday In person