

Bond
Oversight
Committee
Annual Report
2017 & 2022
Bond
Programs

January 22, 2024





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The \$898.4 million 2017 bond program was approved by 80% of the vote in November 2017.

It impacts every school and Every Child in SBISD

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BOND

2017

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Summary of 2017 bond program projects

- Replace remaining nine oldest elementary schools and one middle school
- Add new classroom building at MHS and at NHS, replace auditorium at SHS and renovate cafeteria/library at SWHS
- Add classroom wing at Cedar Brook Elementary
- Upgrade safety and security, building systems and technology at all campuses, including classroom furniture for secondary schools
- Replace Career and Technical Education classroom equipment
- Replace aged music instruments and uniforms
- Upgrade athletics, four turf fields (MHS, NHS, SHS, and SWHS)
- Replace older buses



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The \$381.6 million 2022 bond program was approved by 73% of the vote in May 2022.



Summary of 2022 bond program projects

- Rebuild Guthrie Center
- Add CTE classroom, lab and facility improvements at Guthrie's Agricultural Science Center, four SBISD high schools, six middle schools and two specialty campuses.
- Replace Career and Technical Education classroom equipment
- Add classroom wing at Valley Oaks Elementary
- Funding for new building detention and code requirements put into place after Hurricane Harvey. Replace aged music instruments and uniforms
- Lifecycle replacements of audio-visual (A/V) instructional tools districtwide
- Funds to update and replace devices for secondary students districtwide, and devices for teachers districtwide.



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Charge to Bond Oversight Committee

- Ensuring the bond projects remain faithful to the priorities identified in the 2017 Bond Plan approved by voters in November 2017 and 2022 Bond Plan approved by voters in May 2022.
- Quarterly Review and evaluation of information from the staff on all projects and expenditures of the bond funds on the timelines established in the 2017 and 2022 Bond Plans
- Quarterly Review and Evaluation of 2017 and 2022 Bond Plan budget status reports.
- Working with staff in assessing key campus stakeholders' levels of satisfaction with the quality of work and rating of customer service (i.e., courtesy, knowledge and helpfulness of the bond project workers).
- Provide advice to the Board of Trustees on ways to maximize the potential of the 2017 and 2022 Bond Plans to provide the best value to the taxpayers.
- Providing an annual report to the Board of Trustees on the progress of the 2017 and 2022 Bond Plans



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BOC MEMBERS

Melanie Bash	Patricia Cabrerra
Kyle Cooper	Matt Daniel
Richard Davis	Carin Domann
Jennifer Espy	Pamela Ferworn
Shaundra Jacobs	Lewis Gissel
Kathy Goss	Bill Jenson
Gina Keith	Jacob Lipp
Roy Melnar	Jeannette Muecke
John Murphy	Jeanine Piskrich
Geri Powell	Nicole Waters
Wayne Schaper Sr.	Jay Sutherland

Committee qualifications

- In February 2023, Board of Trustees approved to expand Bond Oversight Committee duties to encompass both 2017 & 2022 bonds and increase committee from 18 to 23 members. The committee currently stands at 22 members.
- Each member of BOC previously served on 2017 Long Range Facilities Planning and/or the 2017 Bond Advisory Committee or the CTE Long Range Facility Committee and/or CTE Bond Advisory Committee.
- Dedicated and engaged committee
- Well balanced representation throughout the district in terms of geography and interests
- Significant professional expertise around architectural, construction, engineering, educational, financial, and community engagement that ask thoughtful but tough questions to SBISD administration and vendors of various projects.

First Charge:

Ensuring the bond projects remain faithful to the priorities identified in the 2017 Bond Plan approved by voters on November 7, 2017

- Bond Plan has been in motion for 6 years
- Facilities account for \$796.3MM of \$898.4MM of total bond plan or 88.6%
- This is a 10-year plan
- Priorities remain the same

Finance Updates as of September 30, 2023:

Expenditures

July – September 2023	\$ 17,733,524
April – June 2023	\$ 23,534,514
Inception through Sept. 2023	\$ 523,707,390

Interest Earnings

July – September 2023	\$ 3,785,563
April – June 2023	\$ 2,967,164
Total Interest, Net of Arbitrage	\$ 22,434,182

Issuance

Issued June 2018	\$ 146,000,000
Issued October 2019	\$ 255,000,000
Issued November 2020	\$ 169,000,000
Issuance October 2022	\$ 142,204,000
Issuance August 2023	\$ 79,536,140
Authorized but Unissued	\$ 106,659,860

Scope	Bond Plan	Remarks
FACILITIES	\$796,300,000	Facilities Scenario 7
	\$369,556,362	ES Transformation/Replacement
	\$287,229,965	MS + HS Addition/Renovation
	\$99,645,063	Building System Upgrades
	\$12,944,768	District Athletics (Includes 4 HS Turf Fields)
	\$26,923,842	Bond/Project Contingency
INSTRUCTION	\$13,000,000	SBISD Final Recommendation
	\$10,000,000	CTE: Refresh Existing Programming / Plan for future
	\$3,000,000	Fine Arts: Band Instruments + Uniforms
TECHNOLOGY	\$60,100,000	SBISD Final Recommendation
	\$18,728,000	Safety / Security Upgrades
	\$22,400,000	Network / Campus IT Infrastructure Modernization
	\$11,220,000	Staff Computer Life Cycle Management
	\$7,752,000	Student Devices Life Cycle Management
TRANSPORTATION	\$13,000,000	91 Propane/Diesel Buses with Seatbelts
		Replacement (73 Regular Buses)
		Replacement (8 Special Education Buses)
ADMINISTRATION	\$16,000,000	SBISD Final Recommendation
		Bond Plan Administration
GRAND TOTAL	\$898,400,000	

First Charge:

Ensuring the bond projects remain faithful to the priorities identified in the 2022 Bond Plan approved by voters on May 7, 2022

- Bond Plan has been in motion for 1 year
- Facilities account for \$336.3MM of \$381.6MM of total bond plan or 88.1%
- This is a 5-year plan
- Priorities remain the same

Finance Updates as of September 30, 2023:

Expenditures

July – September 2023	\$ 4,263,392
April – June 2023	\$ 9,862,879
Inception through Sept. 2023	\$ 17,599,351

Interest Earnings

July – September 2023	\$ 2,453,095
April – June 2023	\$ 1,999,193
Total Interest, Net of Arbitrage	\$ 7,249,064

Issuance

Issued October 2022	\$ 180,796,000
Issued August 2023	\$ 92,463,861
Authorized but Unissued	\$ 108,340,139

Proposed Scope	Recommended Bond Plan	Remarks
PROPOSITION "A"		
CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION	\$290,300,000	
	\$140,000,000	Guthrie Center
	\$19,000,000	Agricultural Center
	\$100,300,000	4 High Schools - MHS, NHS, SWHS, SHS
	\$18,000,000	6 Middle Schools - MMS, NMS, SBMS, SFMS, SOMS, SWMS
	\$1,000,000	2 Specialty MS/HS - SBEC, WAIS
	\$12,000,000	CTE Technology
FACILITIES	\$46,000,000	
	\$21,000,000	Valley Oaks ES - Classroom Addition
	\$25,000,000	Harvey New Detention / Code Impact
TECHNOLOGY	\$11,225,000	
	\$5,225,000	Communication Instructional Tools
	\$6,000,000	Infrastructure
BOND PLAN ADMINISTRATION	\$19,100,000	
	\$10,000,000	Bond Administration
	\$9,100,000	Bond Contingency
SUBTOTAL-1	\$366,625,000	PROPOSITION "A"
PROPOSITION "B"		
TECHNOLOGY	\$14,975,000	
	\$14,975,000	Instructional Tools
SUBTOTAL-2	\$14,975,000	PROPOSITION "B"
BOND TOTAL VALUE	\$381,600,000	PROPOSITIONS "A" + "B"

Second Charge:

Quarterly Review and evaluation of information from the staff on all projects and expenditures of the bond funds on the timelines established in the 2017 and 2022 Bond Plans

- We have held twenty-four (24) quarterly meetings to date, as well as a BOC new member orientation meeting in April 2023.
- Reports are presented well, very detailed and provide review on progress to date, construction progress photos and a timeline forward.
- Communication updates
- Finance update
- CTE update
- Technology
- Fine & Performing Arts Update
- Transportation update
- Planning & Construction update
- Q & A throughout
- Guest Presenters on specific projects



2023 meetings were all held in-person

Planning & Construction Updates:

- Memorial Drive Elementary School Replacement Project: **In Construction.**
- Nottingham Elementary School Replacement Project: **Completed.** Students in new campus
- Sherwood Elementary School Replacement Project: Team (PAT) meetings complete. Project paused.
- Woodview Elementary School Replacement Project: **In Construction.**
- Northbrook Middle School Renovation Project: **In Construction to replace HVAC**
- Spring Branch Middle School Reroofing Project: **Pending final approval**
- Spring Woods Middle School Renovation Project : **Design Phase – architect has been selected**
- Valley Oaks Elementary School Addition and Renovation Project: **In Construction**
- Agriculture Science Center Addition and Renovation Project: Team (PAT) meetings complete
- Guthrie Center Replacement Project: Team (PAT) meetings complete
- Stratford High School CTE Project: **Design Phase – architect has been selected**

Planning & Construction Updates:

School: Memorial Drive ES



Two story Academic Wing on the left in green sheathing and library steel framing on the right



View from parents drive toward main entry. Repurposed library into new administration area on the right.

School: Woodview ES



Clerestory opening at cafeteria



Classroom addition underway in renovated library

School: Guthrie Center



School: Valley Oaks ES



Demolition complete at classroom wing



Partial demolition at cafeteria

Third Charge: Quarterly Review and evaluation a 2017 Bond Plan budget status report and separately the 2022 Bond Plan budget status report.

2023 in Review

- Economic conditions and supply chain challenges have resulted in moving timelines. Overall, still within acceptable timetables and overall SBISD continues to benefit with overall issuances.
- Planning stage and expenditures have accelerated as campus replacement projects have broken ground throughout SBISD
- BOC monitors campus by campus expenditures vs budget and review/updated on all bond funded activities at each meeting
- Concerns with economic conditions that could impact construction costs (inflation, materials, workforce shortages)
- 2022 bonds included monies for regulatory changes in construction codes

Fourth Charge:

Working with staff in assessing key campus stakeholders' levels of satisfaction with the quality of work and rating of customer service (i.e., courtesy, knowledge and helpfulness of the bond project workers).

- A BOC member has been assigned to each campus and the CTE task force to attend meetings to observe campus stakeholder engagement, information presented and gather feedback from the meetings.
- BOC members share feedback to group of observations from meetings

2017 Bond Program Assignments

- ❖ John Sutherland – Spring Woods HS
- ❖ Patricia Cabrera -Treasure Forest, Woodview
- ❖ Geri Powell-Buffalo Creek
- ❖ Jennifer Espy-CTE and Memorial HS, Memorial Drive
- ❖ Pamela Ferworn – Landrum MS
- ❖ John Murphy and Jeanine Piskurich - Stratford HS
- ❖ Melanie Bash – Bunker Hill
- ❖ Wayne Schaper Sr – Northbrook HS
- ❖ Gina Keith – Nottingham

2022 Bond Program Assignments

- ❖ Gina Keith – Valley Oaks
- ❖ Lewis Gissel & Bill Jensen – Guthrie Center
- ❖ Wayne Schaper Sr. – Ag Science Center

Fifth Charge:

Provide advise to the Board of Trustees on ways to maximize the potential of the 2017 and 2022 Bond Plans to provide the best value to the taxpayers

Board of Trustees

- No indications that a campus replacement project is over budget or significantly behind schedule
- BOC is pleased with the detailed level of communication and information share from district team, openness to suggestions and follow-up

Fifth Charge:

Provide advise to the Board of Trustees on ways to maximize the potential of the 2017 Bond Plan to provide the best value to the taxpayers

BOC changes in 2022

- BOC leaders attended three initial campus PAT meetings to provide a brief overview of our committee, our role in the process and introduction of the BOC observer assigned to that campus
- Confirmed at PAT meetings that facility specs, determined and adopted prior to the 2017 bond process as well as supporting demographics information, were available to PAT members.
- BOC learned that new campuses are evaluated monthly during the school year to observe and receive feedback from campus administrators and staff. We have requested follow-up report to the committee for each replacement campus. Report for Bunkerhill Elementary will be first campus to report to BOC.

Q & A