



Board Meeting H I G H L I G H T S

Regular Board Meeting A held on December 4, 2023 at 514 W. Quincy St., San Antonio, Tx. 78212
Regular Board Meeting B held on December 11, 2023 at 514 W. Quincy St., San Antonio, Tx. 78212

Discussion on Co-Location of Rodriguez as Described in Previous Resolution

The original Rightsizing resolution approved on November 13, 2023, called for a pause on any decision related to the co-location of Rodriguez Montessori Elementary with Ogden Elementary. This pause aimed to facilitate input and feedback from the community. A community meeting was convened on November 28, 2023. The Administration provided an update as to why the District withdrew their proposal to co-locate Rodriguez Montessori. This withdrawal signifies that Rodriguez Montessori Elementary will remain at its current location, 3626 W César E Chávez Blvd.

Board Goal Progress Monitoring for Interim Goals 1.1, 1.2, 1.3 & 2.1, 2.2, 2.3

The Board received progress monitoring updates for the interim goals for Board Goals 1 & 2 as well as for Guardrails 2 & 3:

- **Interim Goal 1: Improve Reading and Writing Outcomes for all Students** – Beginning-of-year MAP data for All students in grades 3, 6, and 8.
- **Interim Goal 2: Improve Math Outcomes for Black Students** - Beginning-of-year MAP data for Black students in grades 3, 6, and 8.

Data included student performance on the MAP assessment, attendance, retention, and safety/survey results, the Superintendent's interpretation of the data, and detailed next steps from the appropriate program staff on what has been put in place this year to effect further movement towards our targets.

Update on Board Policy AE (Local) – Educational Philosophy

The Board received an update on Board Policy AE (LOCAL) - Educational Philosophy. The proposed changes ensure alignment with Always Learning and incorporate the feedback from the Board during the September 2023 Board retreat.

Update on SAISD Budget

Trustees received a presentation on the results of the completed 2022-2023 school year audited financial statements and an update on the current year 2023-2024 school district budget including student enrollment and attendance. The Board also received a

proposed calendar of presentations and workshops to begin preparations for the 2024-2025 district budget.

Amendment to District’s Code of Ethics Related to Section 1.4, Clarifying Reference to Board’s Operating Procedures Approved

At the November 13, 2023 meeting, the Board further amended the political contributions provisions of the District’s Code of Ethics by requesting that the paragraph found in (C)(1)(A)(1) titled, Political Contribution Prohibition for the Term of a Contract, be removed. The Board further directed that the language in (C)(1)(B), titled, Individuals who or Entities that Seek to Hold District Contracts, be amended to conform the District’s “no contact” prohibitions in the existing terms and conditions in all solicitations for goods and services. The requested amendments have been made to this most current and proposed amendment to the District’s Code of Ethics.

The proposed amendments to the District’s Code of Ethics as they pertain to political contributions. The proposed amendments track certain aspects of the City of San Antonio’s Political Contributions Finance Code, but not all. Secondly, the City of San Antonio is statutorily empowered with certain policing powers that an independent school district does not have.

The proposed language that drafted must by necessity go beyond applicability to sitting trustees but must also include candidates to the position of trustee and political action committees. Otherwise, only trustees would be subject to the rule established by this amendment and leave open and available prohibited political contributions to candidates and political action committees.

The amendments apply to three provisions of the District’s Code of Ethics. The first part is the amend to the section of the District’s Code of Ethics that requires recusal, declaration and abstention by trustees of action taken in support of a pending contract where the proposer has made political contributions to the trustee. It also addresses sanctions if the trustee fails to recuse, declare and abstain, as required by the Code of Ethics, in applicable circumstances. By necessity, this amendment also addresses the conduct of individuals and entities who currently hold a contract or are applying to obtain a contract with the District and the consequences of making prohibited political contributions to sitting trustees, candidates running for election to a seat on the board and to political action committees that make contributions to support or oppose candidates, notwithstanding whether the candidate is an incumbent or one running to challenge and incumbent or to fill a vacant school board seat.

The second provision is an amendment to the Definitions section of the District Code of Ethics. A section of definitions was developed to provide clarity as to the new terms introduced in the first provision.

The third provision is a technical amendment to bring the inline and incorporate the first provision above, with the existing section of the District’s Code of Ethics requiring recusal, declaration and abstention where conflicts exist for Trustees

Items Approved

- ❖ Ratify the naming of the athletic field at Harris Middle School to “Moszee Field.” A recently installed scoreboard shows the new name, and a dedication ceremony was conducted on September 23, 2023.
- ❖ Grievance Process Review as Recommended by the Audit Committee.
- ❖ Carvajal Elementary School Special Project Report as Recommended by the Audit Committee.
- ❖ Clinical Student Internship Agreement (Agreement) between SAISD and the University of West Florida in support of social work interns.
- ❖ Educational Program Affiliation Agreement (Agreement) between SAISD and the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley in support of social work interns.
- ❖ Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SAISD and Louisiana State University in support of social work interns.
- ❖ Monthly Budget Reports and Amendments for December 2023.

Bids, Proposals and Purchases for Goods Approved

- ❖ Mathematical classroom materials. This purchase will provide secondary math students graphing calculators to support mathematics curriculum and exam preparation.
- ❖ Increase in expenditure for the purchase of Kitchen Appliance Repairs and Installation.
- ❖ Portable Classroom units in support of various 2020 Bond projects.
- ❖ Chiller Maintenance to include Installation, Repairs and Assessments.
- ❖ Computers, hardware, technology devices, maintenance and related services. This purchase will be used to support all grade levels, Pre-K through 12th grade, to perform academic duties throughout the year.
- ❖ Consulting services for bond program management information technology services for Project Mates.
- ❖ High Production Copiers. This purchase/lease will be used to facilitate print orders, specifically for high-volume orders district-wide and used to support students in the CATE Print Programs.

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