

Community Advisory Committee Meeting
February 25, 2013

The Community Advisory Committee held their third meeting on February 25, 2013 beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Committee members in attendance were: Joe Beard, Jamie Burnett, Kayla Citrano, Lisa Clevenger, Ken Cooper, Dr. John Boyd, Dr. Mary Konrad, Jason Forbis, Christine Graham, Andy Horn, Russ Johnson, Gayla Smith, Robert Smith, Debbie Stock, Pam Watts and Nadine Welch

MISD Staff present: Dr. George Kazanas, Dr. Brent Merritt, Dr. Jeanie Johnson, Mary Lou Glaesmann, Adam Feind, Corry Cramer, Randy Weisinger, Traci Marlin, Darrel Umhoefer, Susan Fletcher, Terry Gambill and Brenda Mattern

Guests: Wendy Gragg, Sandra Sanchez, and Sarah McCormick

Dr. Kazanas presented and reviewed the following handouts with the group:

- Meeting Agenda
- Community Advisory Committee Recommendations from 2-18-13 Meeting
- Corrected Copy of Scenario #1A Bond Issuances from Southwest Securities
- Updated Bond Capacity Analysis Update from Southwest Securities

Superintendent Kazanas and Dr. Boyd, committee co-chairperson, reviewed last week's recommendation amount of \$34,493,201.

Citizen and MISD employee Sarah McCormick addressed the committee asking for three things:

1. A door at Woodway Elementary from Science lab to the outside of the building
2. Complete the Walk Around Texas Project at Woodway
3. Enrichment center for the elementary child

Mrs. McCormick's items would add one million dollars to bond package. She answered questions from the group.

A motion was made by Lisa Clevenger and seconded by Robert Smith to make a formal recommendation to the Board on Thursday [February 28, 2013] for a total bond amount of \$34,493,201.

A vote was taken and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

After a break, the committee discussed and reviewed the following frequently asked questions which may be asked of the bond election.

1. How can we possibly propose this type of bond election without raising taxes?
2. Why are these specific items included in the bond?
3. How does this bond help the staff better serve our kids?
4. Are iPad apps included in the bond, or will there be additional charges?
5. Teachers may ask what's in it for me?

6. How is this bond going to impact the district money we would spend for salaries?
7. Why not lower my taxes instead?
8. What is percentage we send back to state?
9. How does the addition of a fine arts and athletic facility raise test scores?
10. What's wrong with the practice fields we have opposed to the indoor facility?
11. Why is it going to cost this much?
12. Passing the bond will quantify local economic impact.

Dr. Boyd discussed the formation of a political advisory committee and reported the committee will no longer have the support of the Administration for this type of committee. The Administration will only be able to discuss the facts of a bond election.

Dr. Boyd nominated Joe Beard as the chairman of the newly formed political advisory committee. Ken Cooper seconded.

The group unanimously elected Joe Beard to serve as the chairman of the PAC.

Mr. Beard reviewed the roles of a political advisory committee.

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.