

## THE BOARD REPORT

August 9, 2017

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### GOOD THINGS

#### **District 11 Receives 2017 NSPRA Gold Medallion Award**

The Department of Communications and Community Relations, along with the staff at Adams Elementary School, recently received a 2017 NSPRA Gold Medallion Award for our entry, *The Uniting of Two History-Rich Schools*. This year, only 11 winners were selected from a field of 44 outstanding public relations programs throughout the United States and Canada. The NSPRA Gold Medallion Award program is the only national awards competition that specifically recognizes comprehensive, strategic school public relations programs.

### SPECIAL REPORTS

#### **Board Member Reports**

Board members reported on their various activities.

### CONSENT ITEMS

#### **Approval of Board Meeting Minutes**

Certified copies of the Board of Education's official minutes may be obtained from the Records Management Center. Cost of copying will be borne by the requester, per Board Policy BEDG.

The Board of Education approved the minutes of the June 14, 2017, regular board meeting. All minutes are available on the District website, after approval by the Board of Education.

#### **Personnel Recommendations**

The Board of Education approved the August 9, 2017 Personnel Recommendations, as submitted by administration.

### ACTION ITEMS

#### **Resolution 2018-1: Call for Nominations for School Directors and Participation in 2017 Coordinated Election**

Resolution 2018-1 confirms School District 11's participation in the 2017 Coordinated Election for the purpose of a school board director election. The resolution also contains the Call for Nominations. The Call for Nominations announces that four director seats will be open, three will serve a four-year term and one will serve a two-year term.

The Board of Education confirmed participation in the 2017 Coordinated Election, which includes the Call for Nominations by endorsing Resolution 2018-1.

#### **Resolution 2018-2: Authorization of Legislation Liaisons**

District 11 Board of Education policy BJA requires employees representing District 11 in legislative matters to have prior approval by the Board of Education. This resolution identifies those employees authorized to represent the District in legislative matters. Representation may be in the form of testimony at the capitol, attendance at meetings, advocacy discussions with elected officials, or information venues that involve legislative or governance matters.

The District believes that it is advantageous to take an active role in the development K-12 education legislation at the national, state, and local levels.

The Superintendent or designee will be responsible for the coordination and communication of these types of activities between the designated representatives and the Board of Education.

The Board of Education approved Resolution 2018-2: Authorization of Legislations Liaisons.

### NON-ACTION ITEMS

#### **Resolution 2018-3: 2017 Mill Levy Override Election Question**

The District 11 Board of Education began a discussion nearly 2 years ago to gather input and consider placing a mill levy override election question on the ballot for November 2016. Unfortunately, that Mill Levy Override (MLO) failed. The District then began the process with staff and community for feedback on the unsuccessful election. Numerous meetings were held in the community and the schools and feedback was solicited using a feedback form. The consensus of the feedback is that there was a general unawareness of the matter, uncertainty around the ballot language and hesitation about the combined cost of the bond and MLO election questions.

Based on this feedback, the D-11 Board of Education expressed a desire to immediately move forward with just a MLO election question. The District updated the detailed MLO plan identifying all of the needed operational requirements. In order to accommodate the lack of capital funding, a separate spending plan item for the facilities renovations was updates and improved.

The format of the election question is critically important in order to comply with the election provisions of the TABOR constitutional amendment and the El Paso County Clerk and Recorder's ballot requirements. As a result, the election question has been developed utilizing the legal services of both Dee Wisor and Kim Crawford with Butler Snow.

#### **FUTURE MEETINGS/WORK SESSIONS**

A Board of Education work session is scheduled for Wednesday, August 16, at 5:30 p.m., at the administration building, 1115 N. El Paso St., in the Board Room.

#### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.