





**Item 2 North Forest High School Tour**

Mr. Bankhead and Principal Henson led the committee and other attendees on a tour of the new North Forest High School. Stops were made in the dining commons, gymnasium, and various classrooms, including the automotive shop. Committee members had the opportunity to ask questions about the new school. The tour concluded in a second-floor upstairs classroom, where the remainder of the meeting was held. The meeting was held in the classroom to showcase the technology and flexibility of the space.

**Item 3 Minutes from October 31 Meeting**

Mr. Sanders asked the group to approve the minutes from the October 31 meeting. They were approved unanimously.

**Item 4 Video Presentation**

Mr. Sanders began the meeting with a video presentation highlighting the four schools — Sharpstown, Scarborough, North Forest high schools, and Robinson Elementary School — and that opened on the first day of the Spring 2018 semester.

**Item 5 Fourth Quarter Construction Update**

Mr. Sanders showcased photos of the five new campuses that opened in January — Sharpstown, Scarborough, North Forest high schools, and Robinson Elementary School, and the new Austin High School temporary campus. Sharpstown was rebuilt and Scarborough was renovated as part of the district's voter-approved 2012 Bond Program. The construction of the new North Forest High School and renovation of storm-damaged Robinson Elementary School (where everything below four feet had to be replaced due to flooding) were overseen by the bond team, but not funded with bond dollars. At Austin, a new temporary campus was built to house the school while it's original building — located directly across the street — was rebuilt as part of the 2012 Bond Program. Committee Member Phoebe Tudor asked if Hurricane Harvey repairs would be covered by insurance. Mr. Sanders responded that insurance had helped, noting that \$88 million in Harvey-related damages, \$25 million had been funded by insurance. He noted that some of that \$25 million had been fronted by the insurance company and the district still needed to file additional paperwork related to it. He also noted that the \$88 million does not include the cost of rebuilding four elementary schools that were significantly damaged by the storm. The district has estimated that it will cost \$126 million to rebuild those four schools. Mr. Sanders and Chief Operating Officer Brian Busby noted that the district decided to rebuild those four schools after determining that they would need to be significantly raised due to new, post-Harvey building codes. It was determined to be cheaper to rebuild than renovate and raise the schools. The new building codes will require the new schools to be raised by almost six feet to prevent future flooding.

Mr. Sanders also displayed photos of schools that were set to be completed in coming quarters. Parker Elementary School, Eastwood Academy, High School for Law Enforcement, and Hilliard Elementary School will all be done by the end of the first quarter, with Parker planning to open to students after Spring Break. Additionally, Lawson Middle School, Pilgrim Academy, and Washington and Yates high schools are set to wrap up by the end of the second quarter. Three additional schools — Wilson Montessori, Westbury High School, and



Garden Oaks Montessori — will move into new wings over Spring Break as part of scheduled construction phasing.

Mr. Sanders also noted that the 2012 Bond Program had hit a major milestone with 50 percent of all projects completed. By the end of 2019, the program will be 98 percent complete, with only Bellaire High School still under construction. Before moving on to the next agenda item, Mr. Bankhead told the committee that Condit Elementary School recently had received the Caudill Award for excellence in school design.

**Item 6      Supplier Diversity (M/WBE) Report and Community Outreach**

Business Logistics and Transportation Officer Alexis Licata began her presentation by introducing Yesinia Taylor as the new general manager of Business Solutions. Ms. Taylor told the committee about three M/WBE workshops that had been held during the previous quarter, as well as other outreach the team had done with various community groups and organizations. She noted that the M/WBE participation rate was almost 30 percent, which was well above the baseline set by the HISD Board of Education.

**Item 7      Financial Report**

Controller Sherrie Robinson reported that the total budget for the 2012 bond program was \$2.1 billion, with total commitments of \$1,695,139,404, including \$486,926,280 in encumbrances and \$1,208,213,124 in expenditures. Available funding is \$407,310,559.

**Item 8      Bond Communications**

Bond Communications Manager Holly Huffman reported that the Bond Communication Team had spent most of the last quarter focused on the five new campuses opening in January. The team created teaser videos for three of the schools to generate buzz in advance of the opening. Leading up to the opening, the team working with administrators to provide parent communication, including letters, callouts, maps, FAQs, etc. And on the first day, the team provided full, on-site coverage of all five new campuses. Ms. Huffman said the team also was continuing to grow the @Build\_HISD twitter account, noting that the following was small, but growing steadily at a rate of two new followers per day. She further noted that the team had held three milestone events during the last few months and that planning was underway for about seven more.

**Item 9      Looking Ahead**

Mr. Sanders noted that eight schools would be finished by the end of June, which would equate to a 59 percent completion rate. By the end of 2018, the district would have an 80 percent completion rate. He then asked Chief Busby to give a presentation on the district's plans for future bond elections.

**Item 10     Building HISD: Planning for the Future**

Chief Busby told the committee he was developing a 20-year capital plan that would call for four bond elections — each requiring little-to-no tax increase — held over the next two decades. Each bond would be at least \$1.2 billion and would earmark funds for new relief schools as well as facility repair and replacement. The district would use facilities assessment and student growth data to determine what new schools needed to be built and what old schools needed to be rebuilt. In addition to campus construction, each bond program also



would allot money for district technology, safety and security upgrades, transportation/light fleet and building automation systems, HVAC, and lighting controls. The first bond election could be held in November 2018 or May 2019.

The information outlined above reflects the author's understanding of the key discussions and decisions reached during this meeting. Should you have any additions and/or clarifications to these meeting notes, please notify the author in writing promptly. These notes will be relied upon as the approved record of the meeting, unless a written notice to the contrary is sent to the author within seven (7) days of the submission of these meeting notes.

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