Awards/Recognition

The Board of Trustees recognized the following 21 students named 2016 Texas Music Educators Association (TMEA) All-State musicians:

- Conroe High School – Kyler West and Matthew Newhouse
- Oak Ridge High School – Elias Zimmerman and Adrian Velasco
- The Woodlands College Park High School – Amrutha Murthy, Ivy Taylor, Winter Bourdier, Jesus Bravo, Alan Boudreaux, Matthew Frangos, Troy Fulton, and Justin Stobart
- The Woodlands High School – Patrick Gaffney, Nathan Keene, Emily Sandoval, Katie Stobbe, Varsha Iyer, Jordan Sims, Paige DeJarnett, Aidan Stock, and Colin Jones

Representatives from ENTERGY Texas presented a check for $57,000 to Conroe ISD for energy savings projects done in the District as part of the SCORE Program sponsored by Entergy Solutions.

The following citizens addressed the Board:
Cheryl Howell representing the Conroe TSTA addressed the Board regarding Due Process for Conroe ISD Education Support Professionals.

Consent Agenda Items

The Board of Trustees approved the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- Approval of Minutes - January 19, 2016 Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting
- Amendment to the 2015-2016 Budget
- Human Resources Report - Employment of Professional Personnel
- A Resolution Authorizing the Resale of Ad Valorem Tax Foreclosed Properties Located Throughout the Conroe Independent School District
- Approval of RFP #15-12-03 Internal Connections - E-Rate
- Approval of Data Portal Assessment Management System Waiver
- Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Grant 2016

Curriculum & Instruction

The Board adopted the 2016-2017 School Calendar, as prepared by the CISD District-Level Planning & Decision-Making Committee. The calendar reflects the following:

- § 25.0811. FIRST DAY OF INSTRUCTION. (a) A school district may not begin instruction for students for a school year before the fourth Monday in August unless the district operates a year-round system under Section 25.084.
- The first day of instruction for students will begin on Monday, August 22, 2016. (Staff development days and a work day for teachers will occur prior to this day).
- Students will have 178 days of instruction and teachers will work 187 days. An expedited waiver from TEA has been approved for two additional staff development days resulting in two less days of instruction.
- The school calendar must allow for 75,600 minutes of instruction.
- Students’ last day is June 1, 2017.

Highlights of the 2016-2017 School Calendar

- One week Thanksgiving Holiday, November 21-25.
- First semester ends December 16 and includes 79 instructional days (same as 14-15 and 15-16).
- The second semester begins January 3 and includes 99 instructional days (same as 14-15 and 15-16).
- Spring Break is the week of March 13-17 at the conclusion of the third nine weeks, and is the same spring break as the University of Texas, Texas A&M, Lone Star College, Texas State University, Clear Creek ISD, Cy-Fair ISD, Katy ISD, and Ft. Bend ISD.

A Vision for CISD  CISD is a learning community united in its commitment to ensuring all students graduate with confidence and competence. The schools and communities work together to provide performance standards which can be applied to the real world. This is achieved through the implementation of quality in instruction, operations, and leadership.
• Two early-release days are scheduled at the end of the first and second 9-weeks periods, on October 14 and December 16. An expedited waiver from TEA has been approved for these early release days.
• The 2016-17 CISD calendar does not include two inclement weather days/holidays. We instead are recommending adding five minutes to the school day to those campuses that currently have a school day of 420 minutes.

**Administration**

The Board approved the following vendors and authorized the Superintendent to negotiate and execute the Construction Manager at Risk contracts for the following projects:
• Ellisor Constructors as CM@Risk for the Conroe High School Renovations Project
• Balfour Beatty as CM@Risk for the Grangerland Intermediate Additions Project
• G.T.T. Construction as CM@Risk for the 2017 Life Cycle – MEP – Athletics – Building Envelope Project

The Board of Trustees also received information regarding the progress and status of current capital improvement projects.

**Business/Finance**

John Robuck, with BOSC, Financial Advisor for the District, presented a report on the *Final Results – New Money and Refunding Bonds, Series 2016* and answered questions regarding the recent bond refunding.

The Board of Trustees accepted the year-to-date financial reports for information.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.