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October 25, 2010



The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. Following closed session, students from Clear Horizons Early College High School led the Pledge of Allegiance. Clear Horizons Early College High School is located on the San Jacinto Community College, South Campus. Students simultaneously earn a high school diploma and a college associate's degree.

Recognitions

- Since 1955, the National Merit Scholarship Program has been recognizing high school students who meet a distinct set of criteria, including their scoring results from the PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. There are 1.5 million entrants each year! CCISD is proud to announce that **41** students from four of Clear Creek ISD's high schools have been selected as semifinalists in the 2011 National Merit Scholarship Program.
- Three CCISD campuses are among the 2010 Texas Business and Education Coalition Honor Roll Schools! Congratulations to Clear Horizons Early College High School, Westbrook Intermediate and Falcon Pass Elementary who met the honor roll's criteria of demonstrating three years of consistent, high performance in ALL subjects and have a high percentage of students performing commended in every subject. Of the 8,000 Texas public schools, less than 4% have earned this honor.



Creekside Intermediate CLEAR students presented Trustee Ann Hammond



with a very special scarf. The students crocheted more than 100 scarves in just four weeks! Our Creekside CLEAR students then gave their warm handiwork to cancer patients at The Methodist Hospital in Houston. Ms. Hammond is a cancer survivor.

- The Superintendent and Board of Trustees proclaimed the week of October 25, 2010 as Texas Red Ribbon Week, declaring that our children are working to make good choices and stay drug and alcohol free.
- The Superintendent and the Board of Trustees proclamation the week of November 1-5, 2010 as 'Go Get It' College Week

Public Input

One member of the public addressed the Board regarding facility rentals

Action Items

*The Board Approved the Superintendent's recommendation to appoint Vickie McCarthy as Chief Technology Officer

* The Board upheld a Level IV decision

* Consent agenda was approved

* The Board approved the delay of the Clear Lake 9th Grade Center conversion, citing slowdown in student enrollment and additional operational costs. The Clear Creek Independent School District Board of Trustees unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to postpone the conversion of the Clear Lake 9th Grade Center to an intermediate school during the October General Board Meeting. The district administration cited various factors that have developed since the community authorized the funds in 2007 to convert the Clear Lake 9th Grade Center to an intermediate school. A slowdown in student enrollment growth does not justify, at this time, the need for an eleventh intermediate school. At the time of the 2007 Bond, CCISD's projected enrollment was between 800-1,000 new students every year. Currently it is around 350-500

students, and much of the growth is west of Highway 45. The District attributes the slowdown in student enrollment growth to the economy and housing market. The elementary schools along the northeast section of the school district have seen a decline in student enrollment, indicating Space Center Intermediate and Clear Lake Intermediate populations in the next several years will be less than they are today. The bond funds will be set aside for when the 9th grade conversion would take place.