



Boardroom Notes

October 9, 2008

President Jim Ash convened the meeting with Peter Baron, Bowie Hogg, Mike O'Donnell, Wayne Ogle, Gloria Peña, Sherri Wade and Jerry McCullough present.

Discussion Items

- **AISD Facilities Assessment** - Assistant Superintendent of Plant Services Chuck Thomas shared with the board information on district facilities. The board asked questions about various campuses, athletic tracks, portable buildings, roofs and other remodeling needs. Interim Deputy Superintendent Dr. Marcelo Cavazos was on hand to answer additional questions regarding the need for 12 new science labs. Due to state mandated curriculum requirements, Texas public schools are required to offer four years of science as part of the new 4x4 mandates. The board asked specific questions on building repairs, costs and financial resources that were tapped in the past to repair and maintain buildings. Associate Superintendent of Finance Steve Brown also answered questions from the board regarding past bond packages. Other issues discussed included buses and technology. You can watch the entire board meeting on AISD-TV Comcast Channel 98 or on AISDe-TV at www.aisd.net.

Mike O'Donnell requested the board appoint a committee to obtain community input and present to the board their recommendation on a possible bond election. Members of this committee are to be appointed in the first meeting of November. Board consented to Mr. O'Donnell's request. The board also requested for the October 16 agenda to have a discussion item on the status of forming the committee. The board decided to defer further discussion on this topic to the October 16 agenda.