

Brownsville Independent School District Board Of Trustees

Facilities Committee Workshop

Friday, April 28, 2017
3:00 p.m.

Administration Building-Board Room
1900 E. Price Road
Brownsville, Texas 78521-2487

Members of Committee:

Philip T. Cowen, Chair
Cesar Lopez, Member
Joe A. Rodriguez, Member

Committee's Goal:

To provide and maintain adequate facilities in order to support ongoing academic progress.

Note: Only trustee appointed to committees may participate in debate or action by the committee. Trustees not on a committee may participate on the committee to the extent the public is allowed to participate.

A G E N D A

1. Discuss bond issue and raising taxes now.
2. Discuss having four soccer fields built now, to save money, and whether TRE, monies will cover these (i.e. whether these were part of the original sent to public as to projects anticipated. If the Supt wants, the principals affected could come. If Paragon can state how much we save with 4 that will help the decision. My understanding that this is buy board anyway and does not go out for bid, and will only require a budget amendment putting TRE funds into use.
3. Discuss when to bid out Porter, and whether to stick with current design.
4. Status of RFQ sent out and when and how we will review the responses.
5. Discussion of having at least half of TRE funds in future dedicated to Fine Arts Pavilion, and whether we can entice City to join in to make it bigger. Some members appear to believe that by having a classroom in the pavilion we can claim full EDA.
6. Discussion concerning expanding our vendor list of contractors to include Houston and northern Texas contractors so we can get, hopefully, more bids and hopefully better prices.
7. Discussion concerning any facility requirements to add tennis, golf, baseball, swimming, and rowing to elementaries, middle schools and high schools (wherever appropriate), to tie in to Curriculum meeting t 4 p.m. that same day. This concerns only whether if we do these sports at our schools what is needed to bring them into place. The emphasis here is lifetime sports.
8. Adjournment.