



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC: Approval of Board Travel for the Months of February through April 2014

SUBMITTED BY: Roberto J. Santos **OF:** Superintendent

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: January 22, 2014

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the United ISD Board of Trustees approve Board Travel for the Months of February through April 2014.

RATIONALE:

BUDGETARY INFORMATION:

BOARD POLICY REFERENCE AND COMPLIANCE:

Schedule-at-a-Glance

Friday, April 4

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| 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM | Registration |
| 9:00 AM – NOON | Pre-Conference Half-Day (Morning) Workshops |
| 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM | Pre-Conference Full Day Workshop |
| 1:30 PM – 4:30 PM | Pre-Conference Half-Day (Afternoon) Workshops |

Saturday, April 5

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| 6:30 AM – 5:00 PM | Registration |
| 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM | General Session, Thomas Friedman |
| 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM | Sessions |
| 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM | Exhibit Hall |
| Exclusive Hours: 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM; 2:45 PM – 3:45 PM | |
| NOON – 2:00 PM | Luncheons |
| 1:30 PM – 2:45 PM | Sessions |
| 3:45 PM – 5:00 PM | Sessions |

Sunday, April 6

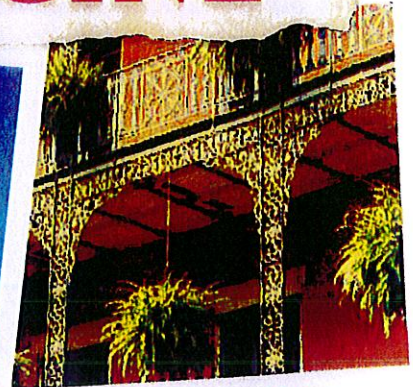
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| 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM | Registration |
| 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM | Breakfast Event |
| 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM | Sessions |
| 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM | General Session, Sir Ken Robinson |
| 11:30 AM – 4:00 PM | Exhibit Hall |
| Exclusive Hours: 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM; 2:45 PM – 3:45 PM | |
| NOON – 2:00 PM | Luncheons |
| 1:30 PM – 2:45 PM | Sessions |
| 3:45 PM – 5:00 PM | Sessions |
| 5:15 PM – 5:45 PM | Drum Circle |

Monday, April 7

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| 7:30 AM – NOON | Registration |
| 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM | Morning General Session |
| 9:30 AM – 10:45 AM | Sessions |
| 11:00 AM – NOON | Table Topics |
| 12:30 PM – 1:45 PM | Sessions |
| 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM | Closing General Session |

For the most up-to-date conference information, visit www.nsba.org/conference

IMAGINE



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ORLEANS

Imagine meeting in a city where cultures collide in a brilliant explosion of flavors, emotions, and sounds.

New Orleans is the birthplace of jazz, home to Creole cuisine, and rich with history and culture. It is centrally located with a walkable downtown and world-class convention facilities. With more than \$1.57 billion worth of improvements to the city in 2013, New Orleans remains an authentic destination, a place like no other. It's a place of chefs and delectable cuisine and a unique blend of French, Spanish, Caribbean, and African cultural influences in our architecture, food, people, and music. With more than 1,300 restaurants, the city offers one of the most incredible – and incredibly diverse – concentrations of exceptional dining and unforgettable cuisine in the world. Because most of the city's restaurants, attractions, tours, accommodations, and event venues are within walking distance of each other, it's easy to get around the "Big Easy" and is the perfect setting for networking. Within the 12-blocks of the historic French Quarter, come enjoy the charm of New Orleans, all while attending a successful meeting in the Crescent City, Sportsman's Paradise...the Big Easy. New Orleans combines big city choices with the small town friendliness. Your exploration of the many sensory extravaganzas that endure in the unique city of New Orleans begins here – **enjoy the journey and laissez les bons temps rouler – let the good times roll!**

Introduction

The 17th Annual Winter Governance and Legal Seminar (WGLS) will offer focused training for both new and experienced board members. In addition, a strand of sessions will be offered again this year to specifically address the needs of small and rural districts.

Seminar Benefits

- *Training:* Earn up to 15.25 hours of training credit.
- *Venue:* Smaller crowd and ease of movement between sessions.
- *Networking:* Meet trustees and administrators from across Texas.
- *Small District Strand:* Focused on districts with ADA below 850.
- *Student Panel:* Current high school students discuss their educational experiences.
- *Topics:* Timely and relevant to current tasks on the leadership team's to-do list.
- *Movie Night:* Join the Leadership TASB class for an informative movie followed by lively discussion.

Agenda

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27

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| Registration and Continental Breakfast (Option 1) | 7–8 a.m. |
| First General Session | 8–9:15 a.m. |
| Breakout Sessions | 9:30–10:45 a.m. |
| In-Depth Session | 9:30 a.m.–12:15 p.m. |
| Breakout Sessions | 11 a.m.–12:15 p.m. |
| Lunch | 12:15–1 p.m. |
| Breakout Sessions | 1:15–2:30 p.m. |
| In-Depth Session | 1:15–4:15 p.m. |
| Breakout Sessions | 3–4:15 p.m. |

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

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| Registration and Continental Breakfast (Option 2) | 7–8 a.m. |
| Second General Session | 8–9:15 a.m. |
| Breakout Sessions | 9:15–10:30 a.m. |
| In-Depth Sessions | 9:15 a.m.–noon |
| Breakout Sessions | 10:45 a.m.–noon |
| Lunch | Noon–12:45 p.m. |
| Student Panel | 12:45–1:30 p.m. |
| Breakout Sessions | 1:45–3 p.m. |
| In-Depth Sessions | 1:45–4:30 p.m. |
| Breakout Sessions | 3:15–4:30 p.m. |

SATURDAY, MARCH 1

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| Breakfast | 7:30–8:30 a.m. |
| Breakout Sessions | 8:30–9:45 a.m. |
| In-Depth Session | 8:30–11:15 a.m. |
| Breakout Sessions | 10–11:15 a.m. |

Registration Fees

Registration fees include some meals, breaks, and materials.

Option 1: \$330 Thursday–Saturday Earn up to 15.25 CE

Option 2: \$245 Friday–Saturday Earn up to 9.25 CE

*Attendees who participate in the FREE Friday night movie can earn additional continuing education credit (CEC). A dessert bar is provided with the movie.

Don't forget to preselect your sessions before going to register.

We CAN Work Together: Connecting with the Community One CAN at a Time!

TASB's Leadership Team Services Division cares about the influence we have on local communities in which we hold conferences. We've coordinated a campaign to give back with a specific focus on the needs of children.

More than 50 million Americans don't know where the next meal will come from; many are working families, children, and the elderly.

This year we are once again seeking your participation to donate **CANned soup**, which makes a hot, filling snack meal and offers a variety of health benefits. With your help we **CAN** make a difference in the lives of children across the state.

"WGLS is always a positive experience. The fellowship sharing with others is worth the trip."

Jim Copeland, Copperas Cove

"I wish I had come to this earlier in my school board career. I learned so much and loved the interaction with other schools. It was great to get my questions answered by the experts!"

Linda Kesler, Doss C