



# UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

**TOPIC** \_\_\_\_\_ Board Minutes for the Month of July 2013 \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBMITTED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_ Alejandra Salinas \_\_\_\_\_ **OF:** \_\_\_\_\_ Board Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD:** \_\_\_\_\_ August 21, 2013 \_\_\_\_\_

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the United ISD Board of Trustees take action to approve Board Meeting minutes:

- Regular Board Meeting – July 17, 2013
- Special Called Meeting/Workshop – July 31, 2013

**RATIONALE:**

State law requires the Board to prepare and keep minutes of its open meeting Govt. Code §551.021. The minutes are public records available for public inspection and copying upon request to the Superintendent or his designee. Govt. Code § 551.022.

**BUDGETARY INFORMATION:**

No Budget Impact

**BOARD POLICY REFERENCE AND COMPLIANCE:**

This is in compliance and in accordance with Board Policy BE and BE (LOCAL).

**Regular Meeting  
The State of Texas  
United Independent School District  
The County of Webb**

**July 17, 2013**

**In Attendance**

**Roberto J. Santos, Superintendent of Schools**

**Board of Trustees**

**Judd Gilpin – President – PRESENT  
Juan Roberto Ramirez – Vice President – PRESENT  
Ricardo “Rick” Rodriguez – Secretary – PRESENT  
Ricardo Molina, Sr. – Parliamentarian – PRESENT  
Pat Campos – Member – PRESENT  
Javier Montemayor, Jr. – Member – ABSENT  
Ramiro Veliz, III – Member – PRESENT**

**Roll Call, Establish Quorum. Call to Order**

**I. Pledge of Allegiance**

**A. Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.**

**II. A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of United ISD was held on Wednesday, July 17, 2013, in the Bill Johnson Student Activity Complex, Fine Arts Building, 5208 Santa Claudia Lane, Laredo TX 78043. President, Judd Gilpin made an announcement calling the meeting of the United Independent School District to order at 6:15 p.m. The record showed that a quorum of Board members was present, that the meeting had been duly called, and that notice of the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.**

**III. Public Comments: Comments are limited to three minutes per speaker. The Board Parliamentarian will be the timekeeper and will inform the speaker when they have one (1) remaining minute. No more than three (3) persons will be allowed to speak on any side of an issue. Should there be more than three (3) people who wish to speak on a particular issue they need to select not more than three (3) representatives to speak for them. Comments must address items listed on the agenda. The presiding officer or designee shall determine whether a person who wishes to address the Board has attempted to solve a matter administratively. If not, the person shall be directed to the appropriate policy, as noted in BED (LOCAL), to seek resolution before bringing the matter to the Board at a subsequent meeting. Pursuant to 551.042 of the Texas Government Code, no Board Member or Administrator may respond to a member of the public, unless such response is a recitation of District policy or a statement of specific factual information. When a speaker comes to the podium, please indicate what agenda item you will be addressing. Furthermore, please refrain from mentioning any employee's name and any complaint about any employee's duties or responsibilities should be channeled through the appropriate grievance policy.**



*Mr. David Perez – President United CTA – Mr. Perez addressed the audience and stated he is in favor of the bond issue being considered. He stated that United CTA is in favor of more classrooms that will result in smaller classes to benefit our children, in favor of more schools to alleviate overcrowding, in favor of the 9<sup>th</sup> grade campuses which have proven to benefit our students with the recent graduating class of United High School being the largest graduating class in the history of United I.S.D. Mr. Perez also mentioned that the upcoming graduating class has over 100 students with a 4.0 GPA proving the value of the 9<sup>th</sup> grade campus concept. Mr. Perez also said United CTA is in favor of improved technology which will allow teachers to be more effective in their teaching and they are also in favor of renovating existing facilities in order to provide a better learning experience for the students. Also, United CTA is in favor of enhanced security measures in order to protect our children. Mr. Perez stated United CTA is in favor of the bond issue which will allow UISD to obtain the resources necessary to give our teachers and students what it takes to be successful.*

*Sylvia Madrid – Vice-President – TSTA – Ms. Madrid addressed the audience and stated she was representing Transportation and Food Service Departments and said they are supporting the bond and believe it is a benefit to the children of UISD to attend schools that are less crowded and have more learning opportunities with the upgraded technology being recommended. Ms. Madrid stated they will do their part so that this bond moves forward so we can continue to grow.*

*Mr. Judd Gilpin stated that Mrs. Madrid and Mr. Perez have been active participants in all of the meetings for the bond and thanked them.*

#### **IV. Recognitions**

##### **A. Kids Connection Program**

*Mr. Roberto Santos asked that this item be moved to later as they were waiting for Mr. Javier Santos.*

Motion:	So Move
Moved by:	Ricardo Rodriguez
Seconded by:	Juan Roberto Ramirez
Discussion:	None
In Favor:	Unanimous
Opposed:	None

#### **V. Superintendent's Report**

##### **A. Update on Citizens Bond Committee**

*Mr. Roberto Santos addressed the audience and stated that they had a meeting with the general committee for the bond and they made a recommendation that was voted on as a group. Mr. Santos said the next step is to visit with the Steering Committee to get their input and within two weeks, meet with the board of trustees for the board to make the final decision on that recommendation.*

**VI. Consent Agenda Items**

- A. Approval of Monthly Disbursements**
- B. Approval of Budget Amendments**
- C. Submit Certified Estimated 2013 Debt Collections**
- D. Approval of CSP-2012-080 UISD-TX 359 Transportation Facility and Related Budget Amendment to cover the cost of Aforementioned Project**
- E. Approval of Awarding Bids, Proposals and Qualifications**
- F. Ratification of the Instructional Materials Allotment in TEKS Certification form**
- G. Approval of Request from Board Members in re: Use of Board of Trustees Discretionary Funds for Various Projects/Campuses**
- H. Approval of Interlocal Agreement between Webb County and United ISD for Juvenile J.P. Court Coordinators**
- I. Approval of District Goals for the 2013-2014 School Year**
- J. Approval of PDAS Appraisers for the 2013-2014 School Year**
- K. Approval of Appraisal Calendar for the 2013-2014 School Year**
- L. Second Reading of Policy DFE(LOCAL): Termination of Employment – Resignation**
- M. Second Reading of Policy FNCA (LOCAL): Student Conduct – Dress Code**

*Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez advised the Board that the Business/Instructional Committee Members had met on July 9, 2013 and was recommending the approval of Items VI-A through VI-M.*

Motion:	So Move
Moved by:	Ricardo Rodriguez
Seconded by:	Juan Roberto Ramirez
Discussion:	None
In Favor:	Pat Campos, Ricardo Molina, Judd Gilpin, Ricardo Rodriguez, Ramiro Veliz, III
Opposed:	None
Abstain:	Juan Roberto Ramirez



**VII. Items for Individual Consideration**

**A. Board Minutes for the Month of June 2013**

Motion: So move

Moved by: Ricardo Rodriguez  
Seconded by: Ricardo Molina  
Discussion: None  
In Favor: Unanimous  
Opposed: None

**B. Consideration for the Board of Trustees to decide on the Public Meeting date, time & place to discuss the 2013-2014 Budget and Proposed 2013 Tax Rate**

*Ms. Laida Benavides addressed the audience and read the recommendation to hold a Public Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 21, 2013 at the Bill Johnson Student Activity Complex at 5208 Santa Claudia Lane, Laredo, Texas. She stated the purpose of the meeting is to discuss the school district's budget and proposed tax rate.*

Motion: So move

Moved by: Pat Campos  
Seconded by: Ricardo Molina  
Discussion: None  
In Favor: Unanimous  
Opposed: None

**C. Consideration for the Board of Trustees to vote on the 2013 Proposed Tax Rate that will be published in the Notice for the Public Hearing**

*Ms. Laida Benavides stated that management is recommending that the board approve the proposed tax rate for 2013 of \$1.04 for Maintenance and Operation which is the current tax rate and the debt service tax rate of .154860 for a total proposed rate of \$1.194860 which is the exact rate we have at this time. Ms. Benavides said this is the rate that will be published in the Laredo Morning Times on Sunday, August 11, 2013 and mentioned we are required by law to publish 10 days before the public meeting.*

Motion: So move

Moved by: Pat Campos  
Seconded by: Ricardo Molina  
Discussion: None  
In Favor: Unanimous  
Opposed: None

**D. Approval of an Order Authorizing the Issuance of United Independent School District Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2013A, and other Related Thereto**

*Ms. Laida Benavides stated that approval of this order authorizes United ISD staff to enter into an escrow agreement, a bond purchase agreement and a paying agent/registrar agreement and delegates to certain district administrative staff and officials the authority to approve all final terms of the bonds; and other matters related thereto. Ms. Benavides stated they had put in a draft order and explained that this authorizes Mr. Santos and Mr. Gilpin to refund certain bonds that we have outstanding to lower the interest rate. Ms. Benavides introduced Mr. Tony Jasso from Estrada Hinojosa, and explained that we have an opportunity to refinance or refund \$12,395,000 at this time and stated that it refunds a portion of our Series 2001 debt and it also refunds a portion of our Series 2004 debt. Ms. Benavides explained that the way the order reads is that the board gives authorization to Mr. Santos and Mr. Gilpin that once the market hits a certain rate that we can save, which is 4%, that Mr. Santos and Mr. Gilpin have the authority to go ahead and issue these refunds. Ms. Benavides explained that this has been done in the past and stated that interest rates are going up so the window of time to refund a lot of our old debt is closing. She also said this would put us in a good position, if we have a successful bond election, to take care of old debt and hopefully max out the savings we can bring to our taxpayers. Ms. Benavides mentioned this particular transaction could net the district a net present value of \$600,000.00 over the next four years in interest payments.*

Motion: So move  
Moved by: Ricardo Molina  
Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez  
Discussion: None  
In Favor: Unanimous  
Opposed: None

*Mr. Tony Jasso introduced himself and presented information on Refunding Plan of Finance – Unlimited Tax Refunding bonds, Series 2013A, which is attached as part of the minutes.*

**E. Approval of Change Order No. 1 for JOC 2012-016 Clark Elementary Restroom Replacements**

*Mr. Eduardo Zuniga addressed the board and explained that they have a restroom renovation project going on at Clark Elementary and as the project progressed, they discovered that there was severe damage to a 40 year old existing cast iron sewer pipe which required major replacement and major breaking of the foundation in order to replace it. He stated they need to get this project done before school starts and the total amount for the change order they are requesting is \$39,418.69.*

Motion: So move  
Moved by: Ricardo Molina  
Seconded by: Ricardo Rodriguez  
Discussion: None  
In Favor: Unanimous  
Opposed: None





Moved by: Pat Campos  
Seconded by: Ricardo Molina  
Discussion: None  
In Favor: Unanimous  
Opposed: None

Mr. Gilpin asked for a motion to bring back Item IV - Recognitions

Motion: So move

Move by: Ricardo Rodriguez  
Seconded by: Ricardo Molina  
Discussion: None  
In Favor: Unanimous  
Opposed: None

**IX. Adjournment**

Motion: So move

Moved by: Ramiro Veliz, III  
Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez  
Discussion: None  
In Favor: Unanimous  
Opposed: None

**There being no further business before the Board, the Regular Meeting of July 17, 2013 was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.**

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**Judd Gilpin – President**

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**Ricardo “Rick” Rodriguez – Secretary**

July 17, 2013



# United Independent School District

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Refunding Plan of Finance- Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds,  
Series 2013A

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INVESTMENT BANKERS

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## Eligible Bonds to be Refunded

- As shown in the table below, current rates offer significant savings on a maturity-by-maturity basis versus the existing interest rates.

Eligible Bonds to be Refunded							
Series	Maturity Date	Existing Coupon	Par Amount	Call Date	Call Price	Current Rates	Rate Difference
<b>Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2001</b>							
	8/15/2014	4.800%	725,000	9/19/2013	100%	0.350%	4.450%
<b>Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2004</b>							
	8/15/2014	4.250%	3,950,000	9/19/2013	100%	0.350%	3.900%
	8/15/2015	4.000%	3,990,000		↓	0.690%	3.310%
	8/15/2016	4.000%	1,845,000		↓	1.080%	2.920%
	8/15/2017	4.250%	1,885,000		↓	1.400%	2.850%
			<b><u>\$12,395,000</u></b>	<b>Total Bonds to be Refunded</b>			



## Savings Summary

FYE 8/31	Prior Debt Service	Refunding Debt Service	Savings	Present Value Savings 8/31
2014	\$ 5,191,188	\$ 5,049,679	\$ 141,508	\$ 141,215
2015	4,303,513	4,152,113	151,400	149,164
2016	1,998,913	1,849,043	149,870	146,020
2017	1,965,113	1,814,800	150,313	145,050
	<u>\$13,458,725</u>	<u>\$12,865,634</u>	<u>\$ 593,091</u>	<u>\$ 581,449</u>

## Savings Summary

Net Future Value (FV) Savings from cash flow:	\$ 593,091
Net Present Value (PV) Savings from cash flow:	\$ 581,449
% Savings of Refunded Bonds:	4.691%
Avg. Annual Savings (FYE 2014-2017):	\$ 148,273

## Refunding Summary

- Based on current Non-BQ PSF insured market rates, significant NPV and annual savings can be realized by refunding the District's Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2001 and Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2004.

### Refunding Summary

Delivered:	9/18/2013
Par Amount of Refunding Bonds:	\$ 12,395,000
Par Amount of Refunded Bonds:	\$ 12,395,000
NPV Savings:	\$ 581,449
% Savings of Refunded Bonds:	4.691%
Avg. Annual Savings (FYE 2014-2017):	\$ 148,273
Avg. Coupon of Refunded Bonds:	4.133%
True Interest Cost (TIC):	1.163%
Current Market Non-BQ PSF Rates as of:	7/9/2013
Negative Arbitrage:	\$ -



# Timetable

## UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT U/L Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2013A

### Preliminary Timetable of Events

	July							August							September								
	S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	S	M	T	W	Th	F	S		
July 17, 2013 (Wednesday)			1	2	3	4	5	6						1	2	3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
July 18, 2013 (Thursday)	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	8	9	10	11	12	13	14		
July 22, 2013 (Monday)	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	15	16	17	18	19	20	21		
July 24, 2013 (Wednesday)	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		
July 29, 2013 (Monday)	28	29	30	31				25	26	27	28	29	30	31	29	30							
July 31, 2013 (Wednesday)																							

Board adopts Resolution authorizing 'Q' Authority for the issuance of Series 2013A Refunding Bonds.

Send first draft of the Preliminary Official Statement (POS) to the Working Group. Send PSF application to TEA.

Receive first set of comments from the Working Group on the POS.

Send second draft of the POS to the Working Group.

Receive second set of comments from the Working Group on the POS.

Distribute third draft of the POS to the Working Group, Rating Agencies and Underwriters.

**Week of August 5**  
Calls with the Rating Agencies, if necessary and Underwriting Due Diligence Call. Receive PSF Approval Letter.

August 8, 2013  
(Thursday)  
Receive comments on third draft of POS.

August 9, 2013  
(Friday)  
Print POS.

August 9, 2013  
(Friday)  
Receive Ratings

August 13, 2013  
(Tuesday)  
Price the bonds.

August 15, 2013  
(Thursday)  
Distribute draft of the Final Official Statement.

August 19, 2013  
(Monday)  
Print and distribute the Final Official Statement. Send final documents to the Attorney General's Office.

September 16, 2013  
(Monday)  
Obtain Attorney General's approval of the Bonds.

September 18, 2013  
(Wednesday)  
Closing.

September 19, 2013  
(Thursday)  
Call Refunded Bonds.

\*Preliminary, par amount and dates are subject to change.



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Working Group Participants

**Issuer** **United Independent School District**

Financial Advisor

Estrada Hinojosa & Co. Inc.

Bond Counsel

J. Cruz & Associates LLC  
Winstead PC

Underwriters

Jefferies LLC  
RBC Capital Markets, LLC  
Robert W. Baird & Co.

Underwriters Counsel

McCall Parkhurst & Horton

Paying/Escrow Agent

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

Verification Agent

Grant Thornton

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Special Called Meeting/Workshop  
The State of Texas  
United Independent School District  
The County of Webb

July 31, 2013

### **In Attendance**

Roberto J. Santos, Superintendent of Schools

### **Board of Trustees**

Judd Gilpin – President – PRESENT  
Juan Roberto Ramirez – Vice President – PRESENT  
Ricardo "Rick" Rodriguez – Secretary – PRESENT  
Ricardo Molina, Sr. – Parliamentarian – PRESENT  
Pat Campos – Member – PRESENT  
Javier Montemayor – Member – PRESENT  
Ramiro Veliz, III – Member – PRESENT

A Special Called Meeting of the Board of Trustees of United I.S.D. was held on Wednesday, July 31, 2013, United ISD – Student Activity Complex, Fine Arts Building, 5208 Santa Claudia Lane, Laredo, TX 78043.

### **I. Roll Call, Establish Quorum, Call to Order**

**II. An announcement was made by the Board President, Pat Campos, calling the meeting of the United Independent School District to order at 6:04 p.m. The record showed that a quorum of Board members was present, that the meeting had been duly called, and that notice of the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.**

### **III. Action Items:**

#### **A. Discussion/Information: 2013-2014 – Budget Workshop**

*Mr. Santos stated that before they make the recommendations for the salary increases, he wanted to make the following statement: "UISD recognizes and appreciates the sacrifices that all our loyal employees have made since the funding of our district was reduced over \$26 million over the last two years. The loss of revenues meant that our district was forced to do more with less. The burden of the budget crisis affected all employees, especially the classroom teachers who are the mission of providing quality education programs to all our students and who dedicate themselves to inspire the minds and enrich the hearts of our students. For the past two years, our employees have gone without a pay raise. Last year, the board of trustees approved a one time stipend for all our employees, which was distributed in August 2012. This provided some financial relief to our employees while the board and the district's financial department waited for the outcome of the state's legislative session. In the Spring of 2012, we received very positive news from the state and coupled with our campus and department's steadfast efforts under the guidance of our business and finance*



department, it is now possible to reward our dedicated employees for their commitment, not only to the district, but to our children. I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone in the UISD family for their patience and loyalty over the course of the last couple of years. The challenges presented by the growth as a district and the loss of economic support at the state and federal level funding, has presented us with challenges. I'm proud for all the teachers and administrators and for all employees who on a continued basis selflessly performed additional duties and worked additional hours. Your commitment to the success of our students is unwavering and each of our employees contributed in a very significant way to sustain the high standards of excellence at all our UISD campuses and departments. The fact that every employee remains on task in the face of great sacrifices is something that we can all be proud of. I thank you for all your contributions and look forward to working with the staff during the forthcoming school year. To the Board of Trustees, as per your directive in October 2012, you asked administration to present salary increases in this coming year's budget. Administration is now ready to make a recommendation for your consideration and would like to propose the following pay raises for all full-time UISD employees in the following categories: Teacher pay increase for this coming year is 6% off of the 2012-2013 base salary. For Paraprofessionals and Auxiliary Hourly employees, a pay increase also of 6% off of their 2012-2013 base salary. For the Administrative staff, 3% off of the 2012-2013 base salary. Furthermore, the campus principals will receive an additional \$500.00. Campus principals are the ones that deal with staff, parents and students. We also added a pay increase to substitutes of \$5.00 per day. I thank you for considering my recommendation and continued support for our efforts in maintaining a quality education for staff members throughout the district. I thank you for your continued support of all our employees".

Mr. Santos stated Ms. Benavides would present the budget.

Ms. Benavides explained that they are required as the Board by the Texas Education Agency to adopt a budget by August 31<sup>st</sup> and there are three funds that they will bring for the board to adopt which are the General Operating Budget, the Debt Service Budget and the Budget for Food Service. She explained that they will adopt it at a fund and function level and then they will follow that by adopting a tax rate to support these funds. Ms. Benavides stated we are required to publish a notice in the newspaper ten days before a public hearing telling the public that we will be holding a public hearing and what the proposed tax rate is for the coming year. She stated they will present an unofficial budget on August 13<sup>th</sup> and then on August 21<sup>st</sup> which is the day of the regular board meeting, they will hold the public hearing and then within the board meeting they will adopt the budget and a tax rate and the budget that will be adopted will be effective September 1, 2013.

Ms. Benavides went over her presentation on the budget which is attached as part of the minutes.

B. Action re: Approval of Employment Compensation Increases for the 2013-2014 School/Work Year

Motion:	So move
Moved by:	Ricardo Molina
Seconded by:	Juan Roberto Ramirez
Discussion:	None
In Favor:	Unanimous



*Mr. Santos thanked Mr. Gilpin and the members of the board for their commitment to our employees.*

*Board members individually thanked all UISD employees for their hard work and dedication to the district and for pulling together and going through the difficult times with all the budget cuts.*

- C. Discussion/Information: Citizens Bond/Steering Committee recommendation to the Board for a possible 2013 Bond Election and matters related thereto

*Ms. Sylvia Bruni addressed the audience and stated she served as the Vice-Chair of the Steering Committee. She explained that the Citizens Bond Committee members volunteered a lot of their personal time to serve on this committee in order to assist the Steering Committee and United I.S.D. Ms. Bruni stated that the committee was driven by data that showed that the district is in dire need for expansion. She also stated that there was full participation, full discussion, and many questions asked with answers provided by UISD administration. Ms. Bruni explained that the committee of 121 members was divided into five subcommittees which addressed the most pressing needs of the district. The five areas were New Construction, Additions and Renovations, Finance, Technology and Security. Ms. Bruni stated that on July 16, each subcommittee was given the responsibility of presenting to the entire committee the recommendations of each of the five subcommittees. She stated that all members of the committee acknowledged the need to recommend a bond amount to the Board of Trustees. Ms. Bruni stated that the Citizens Bond Committee approved by majority vote a bond that did not include the new high school in the Mines Rd. area nor the new elementary school for growth. She explained that the Steering Committee then reviewed these recommendations and approved the amount of \$416,344,283.00*

*Mr. Mike Garza recognized the people that served as chairs for each of the subcommittees. He then presented the data that the committee was recommending in each area and the final total being recommended for approval by the Board. This information is attached as part of the minutes.*

*Ms. Bruni stated that it was very difficult to prioritize the items because every single item was a top priority. She said that the committee learned a lot about the district during these meetings. She mentioned for example that three of the four high schools are already over capacity and that the middle schools which are most impacted by the growth already have over 25% of the children in portable buildings. Also, that over 95% of United ISD's territory is still undeveloped and this is in a community that has already been identified as the eighth fastest growing in the state of Texas. Furthermore, they learned that over 96% of the building permits coming into the city are for additional construction in United I.S.D. Ms. Bruni stated that every single recommendation that was made was based on needs that were clearly identified.*

*Ms. Bruni stated that she as well as other members of the Steering Committee are very grateful to have been part of the process which was very open ended, very transparent and very clearly indicative of the fact that this bond issue is critical to our children and our teachers and our community.*

*Mr. Garza recognized some of the people that served on the citizen's bond committee.*

*Mr. Garza commented that if this bond issue passes, they would alleviate an estimated number of about 78 portable buildings throughout the district.*

*Mr. Gilpin, on behalf of the Board, thanked those people that participated in the Steering Committee and all the members of the general committee and expressed his appreciation for all the time they put into all this and also thanked the staff members for all the extra work they did in support of the committee.*

*Mr. Santos stated that before they make a recommendation to the Board, they need to have at least one more workshop and recommended they meet on Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. He also thanked the committee for all their time*

#### **IV. Adjournment**

Motion:	So move
Moved by:	Ricardo Molina
Seconded by:	Juan Roberto Ramirez
Discussion:	None
In Favor:	Unanimous

**There being no further business before the Board of Trustees, the Special Called Meeting of July 31, 2013, was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.**

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Judd Gilpin, President

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Ricardo "Rick" Rodriguez, Secretary



# United Independent School District

Board Budget Workshop  
July 31, 2013



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## Budget 2013-14

**TEA requirement-Section 44.002-006 of Texas  
Education Code**

- **Budget prepared by August 20th**
- **Board adopt budget by August 31<sup>st</sup>**
- **Three funds: General Operating, Debt Service  
and Food Service**
  - Adopt at fund and function level
- **Board adopt tax rate**

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## Budget 2013-14 Calendar

- Mid-July Received updated final tax values
- July 25<sup>th</sup> Certified tax rolls
- End of July-Board Workshop
- Aug. 11th-Publish 10 day notice of public hearing
- Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>-Budget update
- Aug. 21st- Public hearings / Adopt budget and tax rate
- September 1, 2013- Budget in effect

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## Key Issues in Budget 2013-14

- 83rd Legislative session
  - State Revenue-\$3.2 Billion issued to the Foundation School Program
    - Basic Allotment increased about \$185 per student for 2013-14
    - Other increases for Student Success Initiative (SSI), PK, and Instructional Materials Allotment
  - State funding keeps M & O tax rate @ \$1.04
- Tax Revenue- Appraisal values showed a net increase in values of over 12%; mineral values grew by 20% (\$732M)
- Preliminary projected student enrollment for 2013-14: 43,321;
  - Growth of 430 Students

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## FEDERAL: Sequestration due to "FISCAL CLIFF"

- Defined as the "automatic, across the board cancellation of budgetary resources"
- TEA recommended cuts of 5.1%
- Reductions of \$1,416,224 for United ISD will occur during the 2013-14 school year for the following grants:
  - Title I (\$668,150)
  - Title II Part A (\$169,835)
  - Special Education \$(408,041)
  - CATE (\$31,881)
  - Title III, LEP (\$138,317)

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## SB1 Impact on UISD

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• School year 2013-14</li><li>• Impact on UISD change from current law revenue<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Additional \$13.8 M in state revenue</li><li>• Basic Allotment increase from \$4,765 to \$4,950</li><li>• Austin Yield stays at \$59.97 for first 6 cents above compressed tax rate</li></ul></li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• School year 2014-15</li><li>• Impact on UISD change from current law revenue<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Additional \$17.4M in state revenue (or \$3.6 M increase from 2013-14)</li><li>• Basic Allotment increases to \$5,040</li><li>• Austin Yield increases to \$61.86 for first 6 cents above compressed rate</li></ul></li></ul> |
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## Preliminary Budget 2013-14

- Non-Personnel Costs (\$54.4 M) include:
  - Campus Budgets \$11.7M
  - Summer School \$2.3M
  - Extra-Curricular \$4.3M
  - Dept. Budgets \$16.2M
  - Debt Payment \$2.5M (general fund)
  - Utilities \$10.1 M
  - Fuel \$2.6M (budget fuel rate \$3.40/gal )
  - Capital Improvement Projects \$755K
  - Capital Equipment & Other \$3.9 M
    - Buses and other vehicles

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## Preliminary Budget 2013-14

- **Projected Payroll costs: \$260.8M**
  - Campus personnel \$2.5 M
  - Non-Campus Personnel \$460K
  - Increase in Compensation: Proposed to Board
- **Total Projected Budget Expenditures: \$315.2 M**
  - Projecting a balanced budget

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## Preliminary Budget 2013-14

- Campus Personnel positions added to budget:
  - (16) Teachers
  - (4) Assistant Principals; (8) Counselors; (2) Nurses
  - (5) Special Education Teacher Aides; (1) LPAC clerk; (1) office aide; (1) nurse aide
  - (9) Custodians

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## Preliminary Budget 2013-14

- Non-Campus Personnel positions proposed:
  - (1) Staff Auditor
  - (1) Special Education Occupational Therapist
  - (1) Instructional Technology Facilitator
  - (1) Discipline Management Facilitator
  - (1) PEP program Case Manager
  - (1) Technology Web Services Specialist
  - (1) ITV photographer/editor
  - (1) Health Services assistant
  - (1) Accounting Payroll assistant

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## Debt Service Fund Budget

- 2013-14 debt service payment \$25,814,237
- Proposed Debt Service tax rate \$0.15486
  - Same tax rate as current year
  - Projected tax revenue \$19.5 M
- Projected state assistance \$ 3.8M
- \$2.5M remaining balance would be proposed to be covered from the debt service fund balance

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## Enterprise Fund Budget (Food Service)

- Projected revenue \$23.2 M
  - Increase of \$446K
  - No increase in fees
- Projected expenses \$23.2 M
- Proposed Balanced budget

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## Review of Campus and Department Budgets


- Detail budgets for each department
- Detail budgets for each school

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## Rest of the Budget Process

- Publish tax rate and budget notices on August 11th
- Proposed budget presented-Aug. 13<sup>th</sup> (business committee)
- Hold budget hearing-August 21st
- Adopt budget and tax rate-August 21st
- Certify tax roll-August 21st

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## Citizens' Bond Committee




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New Construction Sub-Committee  
List of Priorities by High School Feeder Groups

Priority	Impact	COST(\$)
<b>LBJ High School</b>		
Priority I	New 9th Grade Campus at Cielito Lindo subdivision	Relieves LBJ High School \$ 18,903,918
Priority II	New Elementary School at Cielito Lindo subdivision	Relieves Planat ES, Centeno ES, Roosevelt ES, Prada ES \$ 17,433,884
Priority III	New Middle School at Cuatro Vientos Sur subdivision*	Relieves Lamar Bruni-Viegrana MS, Los Obispos MS, United South MS \$ 22,453,499
<b>United South High School</b>		
Priority I	Reconstruction of Salinas Elementary	Rebuild larger student capacity to serve a larger attendance boundary \$ 28,684,000
Priority II	New Middle School at EG Ranch Hwy 359	Relieves Gonzalez Middle School and United South Middle School \$ 22,453,499
	* Off site development cost	\$ 427,500
Priority III	New Elementary School at EG Ranch Hwy 359	Relieves Zeffrin ES, Bonne Garcia ES, Salinas ES \$ 17,433,884
	* Off site development cost	\$ 347,040
Priority IV	New 9th Grade Campus at Cuatro Vientos Norte subdivision	Relieves United South High School \$ 18,903,918
Priority V	New Elementary School at Cuatro Vientos Norte subdivision	Relieves Arndt ES, Ruiz ES, Salinas ES \$ 17,433,884




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New Construction Sub-Committee  
List of Priorities by High School Feeder Groups

Priority	Impact	COST(\$)
<b>United High School</b>		
Priority I	New 6th Grade Annex for WashingtonMS Aquero	Relieves Washington Middle School \$ 17,087,822
	* (Core Areas built for a future 6th-8th middle school)	
	* Off site development cost	\$ 1,429,153
Priority II	New 9th Grade Campus at San Isidro Ranch subdivision	Relieves Trautmann MS, United MS \$ 38,903,918
Priority III	New Elementary School at San Isidro Ranch subdivision	Relieves Borchers ES, Maljakoff ES, Col Santos Benavides ES \$ 17,433,884
<b>Alexander High School</b>		
Priority I	New 9th Grade Campus at Coves at Winfield Subdivision	Relieves Alexander High School \$ 38,903,918
	* Off site development cost	\$ 1,947,312
Priority II	United Middle 6th Grade Annex*	Relieves United Middle School N/A
	* Use current Trautmann 6th Grade campus	
Priority III	New Elementary School at Coves at Winfield Subdivision	Relieves Col. Santos Benavides ES, Borchers ES, Maljakoff ES \$ 17,433,884
Priority IV	Reconstruction of Clark Elementary	\$ 19,886,588

TOTAL COST: \$ 341,101,548




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### Technology Committee Recommendation Network Infrastructure Upgrade

School	Total Cost
Alexander High School	\$ 2,781,584
United High School 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	\$ 1,235,650
Newman Elementary	\$ 875,225
Matias De Llano Elementary	\$ 875,225
Muller Elementary	\$ 875,225
United Middle School	\$1,183,637
Trautmann Middle School	\$1,183,650
Trautmann Middle 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	\$ 693,250
Main Data Center	\$ 1,550,931
<b>Total Network Infrastructure:</b>	<b>\$ 11,254,377</b>




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### Technology Committee Recommendation Digital Video Distribution System

- vbrick Video Distribution System installed at all Campuses  
Total Cost District Wide: \$ 630,000
- 2,700 Digital Interactive Panels installed in all classrooms  
Total Cost District Wide: \$ 16,200,000
- The Wireless Network Infrastructure will be installed in all classrooms  
Total Cost District Wide: \$ 2,139,000




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### Safety and Security Items for District Campuses

All Schools:	
Security station at main entrance	\$ 1,788,800
Building Access Control all perimeter doors	\$ 1,088,840
Upgrade security surveillance camera system	\$ 3,884,400
Replace Fire Alarm System: Clark Mid., Finley, Perez, Prada, Roosevelt, Trautmann Elem., Gonzalez Mid., Los Obispos, Salvador Garcia, Trautmann Mid., Washington, Alexander, United South	\$ 1,885,000
Replace Existing Security Alarm System: Finley, Gutierrez, Juarez, Lincoln, Kazen, Kennedy Zapata, Newman, Perez, Prada, Salinas, Trautmann Elem., Los Obispos, Trautmann Mid., Trautmann 6 <sup>th</sup> , United Mid., United South Mid., Washington, United South High, United 9 <sup>th</sup> gr	\$ 1,544,036
Replace Public Address System: Gutierrez, Perez, Salinas, Trautmann Elem., Trautmann Mid., Washington,	\$ 663,000
Upgrade all doors to ADA and replace panic devices Finley	\$ 181,025
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,995,101</b>




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### TAX RATE IMPACT-VARIOUS BOND AMOUNTS

BOND ELECTION AMOUNT	Debt Service Estimated Tax Rate Increase (*)
\$350,000,000	\$0.1162
\$400,000,000	\$0.1381
\$416,000,000	\$0.1382

(\*) Issue bonds over a (4) year period




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### ESTIMATED TAX CALCULATION WORKSHEET - \$416,000,000

VALUE OF HOME	\$ 137,400	\$ 150,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 250,000
Local Homestead Exemption (15%)	(20,610)	(22,500)	(30,000)	(37,500)
State Homestead Exemption	(15,000)	(15,000)	(15,000)	(15,000)
<b>Taxable Value of Homestead</b>	<b>\$ 101,790</b>	<b>\$ 112,500</b>	<b>\$ 155,000</b>	<b>\$ 197,500</b>
Divided by \$100	100	100	100	100
Value to apply tax rate	\$ 1,018	\$ 1,125	\$ 1,550	\$ 1,975
Times the tax rate adjustment	\$ 0.1382	\$ 0.1382	\$ 0.1382	\$ 0.1382
Annual Change in Property Tax	\$ 140.67	\$ 155.48	\$ 214.21	\$ 272.95
Monthly Change in Property Tax	\$ 11.72	\$ 12.96	\$ 17.85	\$ 22.75




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