



Ector County Independent School District

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TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Anthony Sorola, Associate Superintendent

SUBJECT: **DISCUSSION OF AND REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NAMING COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP FOR ODESSA HIGH SCHOOL**

DATE: February 18, 2025

During the fall semester of 2024, a request was received by the Ector County ISD administration from the Military Order of the Purple Heart to name a portion of the Odessa High School campus after PFC Alfred M. Wilson, a Medal of Honor recipient who graduated from the high school in 1967. In response to this request, the administration referenced CW (Local), which is the policy that was adopted for addressing facility naming. A copy of CW (Local) has been included for reference purposes. This policy states that recommended names shall be submitted to a committee composed of the following representatives:

1. Two members of the Education Foundation, as selected by the members of the Education Foundation.
2. Two members appointed by the Board.
3. Three community representatives who reside within the District and have been selected by the District's Continuous Improvement Team.
4. Three parent representatives who reside within the District and have been selected by the District's Continuous Improvement Team.

This committee shall be chaired by the Superintendent or designee. The committee shall submit to the Board one or more recommended names for each facility to be named.

Board members were asked to recommend potential candidates for the two committee positions that are appointed by the Board. Candidate names for Odessa High School were gathered, and each nominee was contacted to ascertain his/her interest and availability to serve on the naming committee. The following nominees expressed their interest and availability to serve on the naming committee.

- Charles Cotten
- Art Leal
- Gordon Albright

As two members are appointed by the Board, the administration recommends that each trustee complete a voting ballot that contains the names of the three nominees. The two nominees with the highest number of votes will then be recommended to the entire Board of Trustees for membership on the Odessa High School Naming Committee.

Administrative Recommendation:

Approval of the two nominees with the highest number of votes for membership on the Odessa High School Naming Committee.