

# **Ector County Independent School District Odessa, Texas**

## **Memorandum**

**TO:** Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Tom Crowe, Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT:** **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE NAMING OF FACILITIES**

**DATE:** July 16, 2015

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Based upon requests and suggestions that we have received to name a few of our facilities to honor individuals as well as historical entities, we called the Facility Naming Committee to discuss the possibility of naming some of our facilities.

A request was submitted by the Permian High School Tennis Booster Club to name the new tennis complex at their campus in honor of Coach Pat Wiske. Coach Wiske served the students at Permian High School for 21 years as the tennis coach. During his tenure his teams were ranked in the top 25 in the State of Texas 15 of those 21 years. He had 30 District Qualifiers, 11 Regional Qualifiers, 4 State quarterfinalists, 5 semi-finalists and 1 State Finalist. Coach Wiske was inducted into the Texas Tennis Hall of Fame in 2002.

Don Wright worked for ECISD for 38 years. Twenty of those years were spent coaching at Crockett Junior High. Mr. Wright has tirelessly served to educate coaches about track and field and how to run a track meet. He has been an integral part of the West Texas Relays since 1962. Coach Wright has served as a track official at the Texas State Track and Field meet since 1982. He has been honored at the 56<sup>th</sup> West Texas Relays as a guardian of the West Texas Track tradition. A request has been made to name the Field Events area at Ratliff Stadium in Coach Don Wright's honor.

The current CTE Building on Grandview used to be the Frost Bakery site. Many local residents still refer to it as the Frost Bakery Building. It has been suggested that we honor our history by renaming the building as the Frost Bakery CTE Building. All three recommendations were supported by the Facility Naming Committee.

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It is recommended that the Board of Trustees accept the recommendations of the Facility Naming Committee as presented.

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Respectfully submitted,

**Tom Crowe**  
Superintendent of Schools