

President's Report

June 2017

Partnerships

We continue to work with our school district partners. This month we have 3 ECH MOU for Board approval – they are renewals of existing Early College High Schools. Also we continue to work with Crystal City and Medina Valley for possible ECH's in 2018.

Legislation

The 85th Session has ended and we have realized about a \$400,000 increase in State Appropriations and managed to hold off on any major dual credit legislation. However, the Governor just called a special session that will begin on July 18. The special session is to address sunset bills for Medical Board and TXDOT, but included in 18 other items is Property Tax. The Governor would like to have mandatory rollback elections. This would be a negative impact on our district, especially given the mineral valuation (oil/gas) fluctuations in Zavala County. We would be forced to have an election (\$75,000) just to maintain our current tax rate. We will continue to monitor the legislature during the special session.

Campus Activities

Have been quiet since the students are on break between graduation and the beginning of the first summer session.

Other

- We held our Law Enforcement graduation on May 19th
- Staff convocation for Uvalde/Del Rio/Eagle Pass on May 23-25
- Received a 5 year Upward Bound Grant in the amount of \$250,000 per year to serve 60 students year round from Uvalde High School and Crystal City High School
- We are proposing for the Board to consider no July meeting.

Meetings Attended and Upcoming Events

- TACC Executive Committee Meeting – Austin 6/19-20
- TACCBO Annual Meeting – Dallas 6/20-23
- Middle Rio Grande Meeting – Uvalde 6/28
- TACC Summer Conference – San Antonio 7/12-15
- 4DX Global Summit – Presenting – Salt Lake City 7/31-8/3
- Vacation 7/17-28