

El Paso Independent School District
Minutes of Board Finance Committee Meeting
January 7, 2003
4:00 p.m.
Education Center-Boeing

Present: Dr. Gene Finke, Board Vice President, Board Finance Committee
Chairperson
Mr. Dan Wever, Board President
Miss Leonor Garcia, Board Secretary¹
Mr. Joe Rosales, Board Member²
Mr. Anthony Safi, School District Attorney

Administration: Mr. Charles Tafoya, Acting Superintendent
Mr. William Goodman, Associate Superintendent, Finance
Mr. Walt Byers, Treasury Manager
Ms. Sylvia Nieser, Director, Accounting Services

Guests: Mr. Sal Mena, Jr., Board Member
Dr. Charles Roark, Board Member³
Mr. Paul Braden, Delgado Acosta Braden & Jones PC
Mr. "Corky" Hall and Mr. Hector Zavaleta, First Southwest Company
Mr. Craig Gibson, Dunbar/Broadus/Gibson LLP
Mr. Robert Ruiz, Bear Stearns & Co., Inc.

The meeting was called to order at 4:12 p.m. by Dr. Finke.

The topics discussed were as follows:

1. Presentation by Administration and First Southwest, the District's Financial Advisor, Regarding Status of Lease Revenue Bond Financing (Item #1, A.)
 - a. Overview of Lease Revenue Bond Financing
 - b. Bond ratings
 - c. Instructional Facilities Allotment (IFA) program
 - d. Procedures for bond financing
 - e. Sale of bonds on February 11, 2003
 - f. Bond insurance
2. Presentation by First Southwest, the District's Financial Advisor, Regarding Necessary Steps and Other Procedural Information in Connection with Possible Bond Election (Item #1, B.)
 - a. State funding issues

¹ Miss Garcia arrived at 4:17 p.m.

² Mr. Rosales arrived at 4:54 p.m.

³ Dr. Roark arrived at 4:45 p.m.

- (1) current legislation and 2003 legislative session
 - (2) statutes affecting financial treatment of school districts
 - (3) goal in financing facilities
 - (4) types of financing available to Texas school districts
 - (5) state facilities funding – availability and applicability for EPISD
- b. IFA funding history
- c. Timing for 2003 bond election
 - (1) IFA
 - (2) EDA
- 3. Independent Auditors' EPISD Annual Financial Report for the 2001-02 Fiscal Year (Item #1, C.)
 - a. Revenue Comparisons
 - b. Expenditure Comparisons
 - c. Analysis of Fund Balance
 - d. Comparisons of ADA (average daily attendance)
 - e. Auditors Findings
 - f. Draft Management Letter
- 4. Audit of State Compensatory Education Funds (Item #1, D.)
 - a. New requirement of separate audit of State Compensatory Education (SCE) funds
 - (1) steps performed
 - (2) findings
 - b. District Improvement Plan

Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned 5:30 p.m.

Date Approved: April 22, 2003