

**Date: Thursday, July 21, 2022**

**Time: 4 – 6 p.m.**

**Location: Fort Bend ISD Board Room and Virtual**

**Members in Attendance:**

**BOC Members:**

Chips Adams  
Rashid Khokhar  
Kali Shiller  
Jeff Wiley  
Oranjel Lewis (virtual)  
Stephanie Means-Brown (virtual)  
Geraldyn Prince-Semien (virtual)

**FBISD Staff:**

Steve Bassett  
Bart Rosebure  
Carolina Fuzetti  
Bryan Guinn  
Mike Jones  
Long Pham  
Kelly Schlacks  
Sherry Williams  
Jeanelle Fisher  
Terrilyn Holmes  
Jane Thompson (Jacobs Engineering)  
Laura Alvarez (virtual)  
Suzanne Owen (virtual)

BOC Chair Rashid Khokhar and Steve Bassett opened the meeting at 4:04 p.m.

Carolina Fuzetti, Executive Director of Design and Construction, presented a recap of Bond 2018 Financials. At this time, \$737,509M has been spent with an additional \$842,034M being committed to outstanding projects. The three major projects being undertaken are two

elementary schools and one high school. Complete financial information is provided on the Bond 2018 dashboard located on the FBISD website.

The Small Business Initiative for Bond 2018 was shared. FBISD is well above the good faith effort of the district goal of 25% being awarded to small businesses. FBISD continues to utilize small businesses. Rashid Khokhar inquired about what constitutes a small business. It was explained there are certain thresholds and income requirements. All information regarding the Small Business Initiative can be found on the website at: <https://www.fortbendisd.com/Page/920>.

The Bond 2018 Program Summary was presented. It includes funds spent, anticipated commitments and unallocated funds. It was noted that the anticipated commitments do have a purpose outlined such as LED lighting improvements, plans for elementary school playground fencing and additional bus purchases.

Ongoing new construction projects show significant anticipated commitments that would be used toward the end of the project for IT, furniture, final purchases, etc. There is a cost savings as these items are delivered directly to the campus, so additional storing and delivery costs are not incurred. Projects nearing completion's anticipated commitments are used for change orders, etc.

An inquiry was made regarding the mold issue at Barrington Place Elementary School (BPE). Carolina Fuzetti explained the mold was discovered during an inspection of the facility. The affected area is in the ceiling in the insulation of the chilled water pipes. This is not an uncommon issue. Since the FCE validated that this building is now a major renovation priority, it makes sense to do the repair and renovation at the same time. Funding is being requested by the Board of Trustees through Bond 2018 Contingency.

A draft of the Bond 2022 Capital Plan proposal was shared with the BOC.

Chief Information Officer Long Pham provided an IT update for Bond 2018 and provided an overview of Bond 2022 IT needs.

Sherry Williams, Director of Strategic Communications, presented the Bond 2018 Update video which highlighted the FBISD Fine Arts Program. The bi-monthly Bond 2018 electronic newsletter that is emailed to the FBISD community was also presented.

FBISD Emergency Management Coordinator Bart Rosebure presented Safety and Security plans for Bond 2022. He also discussed FBISD piloting a weapons detection system for athletic facilities. This system may be applicable for broader use if the pilot program is successful.

Deputy Superintendent Steve Bassett discussed the Bond 2022 and general fund TRE vote taking place this November and possibly postponing one (probability is that TRE would not be postponed). The FBISD Board of Trustees will discuss this scenario during an upcoming meeting.

If the BOT decides to do both, another BOC meeting will be held in August to prepare for the bond. Bond 2022 is currently \$80M over the target of \$1.1B, so it may be best to wait until May to propose the bond to voters. If it is decided to hold off until spring for the election, the next BOC meeting will be in October. It was acknowledged it will be a daunting task to educate voters on the upcoming bond election.

Kali Shiller inquired if security fencing will be installed only at elementary schools. Ms. Fuzetti stated FBISD is looking to install fencing at all play areas and portable buildings.

The district was thanked for adding lighting at Elkins High School. It was commented that Knights Court (where Elkins HS and ES53 are located) is badly lit and quite narrow. An inquiry was made as to what the district can do to help with this issue. Carolina Fuzetti explained Fort Bend County currently has no plans to improve the lighting, but FBISD and Missouri City recently met to discuss this issue. Missouri City is aware of these issues, they will be conducting a lighting study and they are willing to work with FBISD to improve this. FBISD can upgrade the lighting on campuses, but the district is unable to widen the road. Missouri City may undertake a City Mobility Bond to widen the road in the next four years.

During Bond 2018 construction, there was one fatality. It was asked if the district is involved in the resulting lawsuit. It was explained the fatality occurred at First Colony Middle School about 1-1 ½ years ago and involved a roofer. There is a lawsuit; however, it involves the general contractor and subcontractor, not FBISD.

The meeting concluded at 5:05 p.m.

**Post meeting notes:**

A tentative meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 11 from 4-6 p.m. in the FBISD Board Room to discuss Bond 2022.

Quarterly meetings of the BOC are scheduled. Please mark your calendars:

- Thursday, October 20 (4-6 p.m.)
- Thursday, January 19 (4-6 p.m.)
- Thursday, April 20 (4-6 p.m.)
- Thursday, June 22 (4-6 p.m.)