Jim Rice Bio Position 3

Jim Rice was elected in May of 2010 and has served continuously in that position since. He was elected Board Secretary in June 2011 and Board President in 2012, serving two consecutive terms in that office. He currently chairs the Board's Audit Committee.

Jim and his wife Mary have resided in Sugar Land since May 1981 and all three of their children were raised in Sugar Land and graduated from FBISD schools. Jim has extensive experience working directly with youth having served as a Den Leader and Cubmaster in Cub Scout Pack 41, Troop Committee Chairman in Troop 441 and as District Chairman of the Tomahawk District from 2001 - 2005. He has volunteered extensively in the community chairing three building committees for Christ United Methodist Church from 1991 through 2003, served as a Director on the Literacy Council of Fort Bend, the Fort Bend P-16 Regional Council, the Fort Bend Economic Development Council and the Fort Bend Chamber of Commerce. He is a 2005 graduate of the Fort Bend Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Forum Class, and has served as the Vice Chair for the Chamber's Education Division for the past ten years. In addition, Jim and his late friend, Bob McClendon, co-founded Fort Bend Cares — a 501 c(3) charitable foundation in 2005.

Jim has represented FBISD on the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Board of Directors since 2012, and currently serves as its 2nd Vice President, having served as Secretary/Treasurer and Chair of the Legislative Committee and the Budget & Finance Committee. Jim is also a graduate of TASB's year-long LTASB (Leadership TASB) Class of 2013.

Jim is president of Rice & Gardner Consultants, an engineering and construction management firm.