

**2008 Facilities and Technology Task Force
Minutes
October 11, 2007**

Carlisle Elementary School

Attendance: Phil Dyer, Chairman, Nathan Barbera, John Bock, Sara Bonser, Renee Bueche, Tammy McSwain, Bart Ridley, Barbara Roselli, Karen Schultz, Karen Shepherd, Berk Smith, Len Stevens, and Kyle Walters. Staff members present included Doug Otto, Jeff Bailey, Jim Hirsch, Richard Matkin, Saul Laredo, Karla Oliver, Mike Collinsworth, Patty Meyer, Tom Kimbrough, Mark Hinshaw, Linda Madon, Bruce Larson, Tony Pearson, Kathy Waskow, Denise Gillespie, and Linda Haltom.

The meeting of the Plano ISD 2008 Facilities and Technology Task Force was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Chairman, Phil Dyer. The meeting was held at Carlisle Elementary School to enable the task force the opportunity to tour a renovated campus. Carlisle Elementary School began renovation in November 2006, to be completed in December 2007. Phil thanked Saul Laredo, principal, for hosting the meeting, then introduced Dr. Doug Otto, superintendent of schools.

Dr. Otto welcomed the task force members and thanked them for their commitment to the task force. He explained that the task force presented the District with the best opportunity for community input. Dr. Otto emphasized that the life blood of the District is to stay current and that the hallmark of the Plano ISD is that all schools in all neighborhoods are in constant transition for equality. Dr. Otto then introduced Jeff Bailey, deputy superintendent, to the committee.

Mark Hinshaw, director of Security Police Services, presented the future needs of the Department of Safety and Security. Mark explained that the District's security mission's primary component is the human element, but that it is strongly supported by the invaluable role played by the physical security and fire systems that we employ.

Mission: "To protect the people and property of the Plano Independent School District, and to create and maintain a safe environment for the educational process."

Richard Matkin, associate superintendent of Business Services, gave an overview of pre-funded district items. Richard explained that the Board of Trustees has approved, through a reimbursement resolution,

the funding of the following bond initiatives as a part of the bond 2008 election:

Construction of Schell Elementary School	\$14,770,000
Purchase of Child Care Center	\$ 5,200,000
Land Purchases	<u>\$ 7,880,000</u>
Total Pre-Funded Projects	\$27,850,000

Bruce Larson, director of Facility Planning and Construction, presented an overview of the Bond Construction Program to include the renovation process for Carlisle Elementary School. Bruce discussed the planning process, the history of planning in the District, types of costs, and what is included in various costs. Bruce emphasized that there has been a rapid increase in costs over the last few years. His presentation included proposed facilities, in the categories of new construction and major renovation, and systems and compliance.

Saul Laredo, principal of Carlisle Elementary School, provided a short overview of the effects a renovation has on a campus. Saul explained that the 14-month renovation at Carlisle had been exhausting, but energizing. He pointed out that it had been a positive experience for his staff, students and parents and had generated new ideas from the community. Saul explained that his students now had access to new technology due to added space.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

The task force was then encouraged to join one of three groups for a tour of the Carlisle Elementary School campus.

The next meeting of the Facilities and Technology Task Force will be held Thursday, November 8, 6:00 p.m., at Jackson Elementary School.