

**2008 Facilities and Technology Task Force
Minutes
February 7, 2008**

Sockwell Center

Attendance: Phil Dyer, Chairman, Nathan Barbera, John Bock, Sara Bonser, Ann Boswell, Renee Bueche, Bart Ridley, Barbara Roselli, Karen Schultz, Karen Shepherd, Berk Smith, and Kyle Walters. Staff members present included Jim Hirsch, Richard Matkin, Karla Oliver, Roxanne Burleson, Mike Collinsworth, Linda Madon, Richard Butler, Bruce Larson, Gloriane Fernandez, Mary Gorden, Mary Ann Lewis, and Linda Haltom.

The final meeting of the Plano ISD 2008 Facilities and Technology Task Force was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Chairman, Phil Dyer. Phil welcomed and thanked the committee for their participation. He explained that a consensus of the Task Force's findings will be presented at the Board of Trustees work session on February 19.

Richard Matkin, associate superintendent for business services, presented the committee with a comparison of the proposed 2008 bond recommendation to previous bond packages. Richard emphasized that bond funds are weighted toward new construction in the east cluster due to continued growth on the east side of the district. A comparison showed that the proposed bond recommendation is in alignment to all previous bond packages.

Chairman Phil Dyer asked the committee for their input from the Public Hearing that was held on January 31. The committee agreed that the speakers and community supporters were in agreement of the new construction that is included in the proposed bond package. The request for the expanded space for fine arts facilities at Rice Middle School was discussed. Richard Matkin, associate superintendent for business services, explained the rationale for this not being in the administration's recommendation. The classrooms are comparable to middle school classrooms to schools of the same age.

Chairman Phil Dyer asked for a recommendation from the committee on the 2008 bond package. A motion was made to recommend the 2008 bond package totaling \$490,000,000. The motioned was seconded. The recommendation was approved unanimously and will be presented at the Board of Trustees work session on February 19.

Karla Oliver, executive director for government and community relations, explained that the bond election has been scheduled for May 10. Before any early voting begins, the communications department will work to get information to the public through various resources. The anchor piece for distribution will be the Plano Proud Newsletter with a circulation of 90,000. Other distribution avenues will include district and campus eNews, a speakers' bureau, video and local new coverage.

Chairman Phil Dyer again thanked the Task Force for their time and effort during the past six months. He also thanked the Plano Independent School District staff for all of the information that had been presented to the Task Force.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.