

Salado Education Foundation - May 2024 Meeting Notes

Call to order 8:06

-April meeting minutes review from Brittany Wentz

-Erin Porritt motions to approve April minutes, Rebekah Reynolds seconds

-Update from Dr. Novotny:

-Gives information about school funding, Texas funds below national average- number 48/51 states. Majority of school districts in Texas are implementing deficit budget. SISD is 1.2 mil in deficit. Has 5 million fun balance if needed. Next year 1st year teachers will get 50k salary. It will match mid-size districts across the state. Second lowest district in per student funding versus Bell Co school districts. Funding is set based on WADA, SISD weight is lower than most districts in our area. As property values go up it doesn't necessarily help our budget, it does help increase bond capacity.

-Work on designing new high school and stadium is continuing. On track to break ground in August.

- Baseball and softball both in play-offs tonight, Baseball plays Gatesville at Lake Belton. Softball plays in Huntsville. In final 16 teams, 4th round. Ranked number 3 in state.

1 act play is in top 8 in the state, have competition tonight. Speech took 2nd place at state this week. Several individual students took first and second places in state. UIL math and spelling did very well at state, in 3rd place at state currently. SHS has come in 2nd or 3rd at state in the last 10 years.

-Senior awards and scholarships are tonight.

-Graduation is next Thursday at UMHB football field 7:30

-Lonestar cup- overall award for UIL. Points for any UIL activity- sports academic, etc. SISD has won Lonestar cup 3 times. We were 12th at last update, anticipates to move up to top 10.

-Title 1 funding- federal funding based on students who are EcoDis. SISD is at 25% of students EcoDis. SISD gets a little bit of title 1 funding but not a significant amount.

-Treasurer Report with Jessica

-emailed out financials report, report is 2 pages- shows scholarships availability, donors, Cattleman's.

-Jessica Diem moves approval of financials. Nicole Slaughter motioned, Melinda Kirkpatrick seconds. All vote to approve

-Mini Grant update, Melinda Kirkpatrick

Tyler Tanguay won May Mini grant. Will receive money for batteries for Ag Dept.

-Bingo Update

No update

-Cattleman's Update

- Check from Garlyn Shelton received

- 2/4 diamond sponsorships available

-Reminder to let people know platinum sponsorship went up by \$500

-Scholarship update- Meagan Johnston

-Ceremony tonight: 79k worth of scholarships being awarded

-Discuss the evening planned and what is needed for help

-Innovative Grants- Laurel Kilpatrick
-Awarded innovative grants \$13,000
-Around \$16,000 leftover to award in the fall
-Used big checks for presentation
Adjourned 8:58