

# **Board of Trustees Victoria Independent School District**

## **Resolution Supporting 2018-2019 Task Force Recommendations**

### **I. Recitals**

Victoria Independent School District (VISD) is committed to continuous improvement in all we do and deeply values a community ownership model which results in making the best possible decisions for all stakeholders.

VISD believes dialogue, radical transparency and accessibility are key to making complex decisions with our community. Connecting with our community is a dynamic and ever-changing process and we endeavor to “meet people where they are” by having in-person, digital, and traditional media conversations.

VISD is embarking on a bright, new future as we update our school improvement process using the Effective Schools Framework, the System of Great Schools and internal processes. These structures guide the overall focus and content of our strategic plan.

VISD believes our students’ futures rely on a high-quality education system that prepares them for college, career, and military readiness. Recognizing the complex nature and critical importance of our mission, we have challenged our task forces to partner with us in “Designing Our Future.” It is through this collaborative design process that we now commit to these next steps.

### **II. Resolution**


We, Victoria Independent School District, hereby solidify our commitment to the work completed as well as the work still ahead. Be it resolved:

- We will continue to seek input from and utilize the task forces as partners with VISD as we work to establish a strategic vision with the community. This strategic vision shall include:
  - A ten-year facilities study and facilities needs assessment inclusive of demographic studies when relevant and applicable.
  - A technology plan to develop a robust digital ecosystem to support technology-rich learning environments.
  - A communication process with a focus on transparency and accessibility for all.
- We will support the continued work of the Superintendent’s Task Forces by serving as Trustee liaisons to those task forces as appropriate. As liaisons we commit to attending and listening, and further commit to neither influence discussion nor vote on matters before any task force.
- We will embrace and celebrate courageous leadership.
- We will cultivate and foster deep strategic partnerships and community-wide ownership of learning and redefining excellence for VISD
- We will nurture public will and understanding for transformation.
- We will enact administrative regulations which call for a three-year cycle of reviewing current attendance zones and making appropriate zoning adjustments as necessary based on enrollment, demographic information and housing development projections.

- We will encourage and inspire the work of the Elementary and Secondary Task Forces to support their efforts to create a culture and climate that addresses the social and emotional needs of all students, all staff and community. We will wholeheartedly embrace not just the needs of our “students as learners” but also the needs of our “students as people”.
- We will methodically strive to prepare our students for their future and a successful launch from elementary school into middle school, from middle school into high school and from high school into the world of work, higher education or the military.
- We encourage the development of a robust mentoring program and continued professional development for our teachers for them to be fully prepared in the classroom.
- We encourage further clarification from the task forces and VISD staff around learning pathways in order to see this effort manifest from vision to reality.
- We recognize the need for local accountability models to be created and deployed in the spirit of measuring our progress and celebrating our successes along the way.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this **22<sup>nd</sup> day of August 2019.**


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