

DEER PARK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
2800 Texas Avenue
Deer Park, Texas

Public Hearing Regarding
Schools F.I.R.S.T. 2017 Rating for 2015-2016 School Year
October 9, 2017
6:30 p.m.

Agenda

- I. Opening of Meeting by Chairman
- II. Schools Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (F.I.R.S.T.) 2017 Report – Rating Based on School Year 2015-16 Data
- III. Public Participation
[This is the appropriate time for audience members to address the Board of Trustees regarding Schools Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (F.I.R.S.T.) 2017 Rating Based on School Year 2015-16 Data.]
- IV. Adjournment

If, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, the Board should determine that a closed meeting of the Board should be held or is required in relation to any item included in this notice, then such closed meeting as authorized by Government Code Chapter 551, Subchapter D (the Open Meetings Act) will be held by the Board at that date, hour and place given in this notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this notice as the Board may conveniently meet in such closed meeting concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Section 551.071 through Section 551.084, inclusive, or the Open Meetings Act, including, but not limited to:

Section 551.071 - For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law.

Section 551.072 - for the Purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.

Section 551.073 - For the purpose of negotiating contracts for prospective gifts or donations.

Section 551.074 - For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment of duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee.

Section 551.076 - To consider the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel and devices.

Section 551.082 - For the purpose of considering discipline of a public school child or children; or considering a complaint or charge that is brought against an employee of the school district by another employee that directly results in a need for a hearing.

Section 551.0821 – For the purpose of deliberating a matter regarding a public school student if, personally identifiable information about the student will necessarily be revealed by the deliberation.

Section 551.084 - For the purpose of excluding witness or witnesses from a hearing during examination of another witness.

Should any final action, final decision or final vote be required in the opinion of the Board with regard to any matter considered in such closed meeting then such final action, final decision or final vote shall be at either:

- A. the open meeting covered by this notice upon the reconvening of this public meeting, or
- B. at a subsequent public meeting of the Board upon notice thereof, as the Board shall determine.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MAY CONSIDER THE ITEMS LISTED IN THIS NOTICE IN ANY ORDER OTHER THAN THAT LISTED ABOVE. THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED IN THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AT 10:00 A.M. ON OCTOBER 4, 2017, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MEDIA WHO HAVE REQUESTED NOTICES OF DEER PARK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MEETINGS HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED.

**Ken Donnell
President, Board of Trustees**



Deer Park Independent School District



(2016/17 Rating Based on School Year 2015/16 Data)

**Financial Integrity Rating
System of Texas**

PURPOSE

- Originated by SB875 of the 76th Texas Legislature in 1999.
 - Amended in 2007, 2009 and 2011
- Expands the public education accountability system in Texas to include Financial Services.
- Primary goal to improve management of school district's financial resources.

OBJECTIVES

- Assess the quality of financial management in Texas public schools.
- Fairly evaluate the quality of financial management decisions.
- Openly report results to the general public.

RATINGS

Determination of rating based on range for summation of the Indicator Scores:

- A=Superior 90-100
- B=Above Average 80-89
- C=Meets Standard 60-79
- F=Substandard Achievement <60
- (No points awarded on questions 1-4, just yes answers required to pass)

INDICATORS

1. Was the complete annual financial report (AFR) and data submitted to the TEA within 30 days of the November 27 deadline?

Yes, Report received November 18, 2016

- 2(A). Was there an unmodified opinion on the AFR on the financial statements as a whole?

Yes, Unqualified (unmodified) Opinion received on AFR

INDICATORS

2.(B) Did the external auditor report that the AFR was free of any instance(s) of material weaknesses in internal controls over financial reporting and compliance for local, state, or federal funds?

Yes, the district's auditor reported the district was free from any instance(s) or material weakness

3. Was the school district in compliance with the payment terms of all debt agreements at fiscal year end?

Yes, the district has never defaulted on any debt obligations

INDICATORS

4. Did the school district make timely payments to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS), Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and other governmental agencies?

Yes, all payments submitted timely

5. Was the total unrestricted net asset balance (Net of the accretion of interest for capital appreciation bonds) in the governmental activities column in the Statement of Net Assets Greater than zero?

Yes, total unrestricted Net Asset Balance = \$75,974,282

INDICATORS

6. Was the number of days of cash on hand and current investments in the general fund for the school district sufficient to cover operating expenditures (excluding facilities acquisition and construction)?

Yes – 10 pts.

7. Was the measure of current assets to current liabilities ratio for the school district sufficient to cover short-term debt?

Yes, ratio of 3.5638 is ≥ 3.00 for 10 pts.

INDICATORS

8. Was the ratio of long-term liabilities to total assets for the school district sufficient to support long-term solvency?

Yes, ratio of 0.5732 is ≤ 0.60 for 10 pts.

9. Did the school district's general fund revenues equal or exceed expenditures (excluding facilities acquisition and construction)? If not, was the school district's number of days of cash on hand greater than or equal to 60 days?

Yes, revenue \$113,867,438 \geq Expenditures \$113,644,155 & Days cash on hand 249.98 \geq 60 days.

INDICATORS

10. Was the debt service coverage ratio sufficient to meet the required debt service?

Yes, 1.2185 \geq 1.20 for 10 pts.

11. Was the school district's administrative cost ratio equal to or less than the threshold ratio?

Yes, district administrative cost ratio of .0653 (based on ADA of 12,350) is less than the threshold calculation amount of .0855 for 10 pts

INDICATORS

12. Did the school district not have a 15 percent decline in the students to staff ratio over 3 years (total enrollment to total staff)?

Yes, enrollment increased 263 students from 2013/14 to 2015/16 for 10 pts

13. Did the comparison of Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) data to like information in the school district's AFR result in a total variance of less than 3 percent of all expenditures by function?

Yes, the district variance of 115/113,644,164 is less than 3.0% for 10 pts

INDICATORS

14. Did the external independent auditor indicate the AFR was free of any instance(s) of material noncompliance for grants, contracts, and laws related to local, state, or federal funds?

Yes, the AFR report is free of any indications of material noncompliance for 10 pts.

15. Did the school district not receive an adjusted repayment schedule for more than one fiscal year for an over allocation of foundation school program (FSP) funds as a result of a financial hardship?

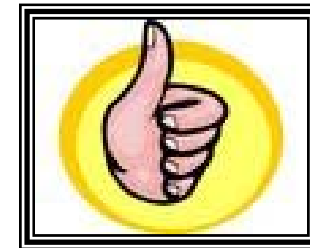
Yes, the school district did not receive an adjusted repayment schedule for 10 pts

HOW DID DEER PARK ISD RATE?

Scored 100 out of 100
possible points!

Passed

15 Years in a Row!



Superior Rating

Deer Park Independent School District