

Comal Independent School District NEWS RELEASE

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Spencer and Swint win Comal ISD school board races

David Spencer and Bill Swint will serve three-year terms on the Comal Independent School District school board after winning today's Comal ISD school board elections.

Spencer defeated incumbent Charles Burt in the District 6 race. The final vote was 444 for Spencer; 96 for Burt. Spencer is the president of Mandelbrot Ventures in San Antonio and he and his wife, Jennifer, have four children, two of whom are in Comal ISD schools. He recently served as the chairperson of the district's Strategic Planning Committee that recommended and was involved in the \$189 million bond package approved by voters in December 2005. Burt, the incumbent, has been on the board since 2001 and has served as board vice president and secretary over the years.

In the District 7 race, Swint defeated challenger Klaus Weiswurm. The final vote was 537 for Swint; 306 for Weiswurm. Swint has been on the school board since 2003 and currently serves as treasurer of the board. He works in sales with Western Paper Co. He and his wife, Sandra, have three children who are Comal ISD alumni. Weiswurm, the challenger, is an engineer and owner of Instruments Technology Machinery in Schertz.

The breakdown in District 6, which covers the Bexar County area located in Comal ISD (Timberwood Park area) is as follows:

	Early Vote	Specht Elem.	BulCityHall	TOTAL
Charles Burt (I)	37	23	36	96
David Spencer	290	121	33	444

The breakdown in District 7, which covers Garden Ridge and Solms, is as follows:

	Early Vote	Comal Elem.	GardenRidgeMC	TOTAL
Bill Swint (I)	321	14	202	537
Klaus Weiswurm	161	4	141	306

Voter participation in the district 6 and 7 races is significantly higher than it was in 2004, the last time the two seats were up for election. In 2004, 340 people voted in the district 6 race and 384 voted in the district 7 race. The higher turnout can be partially attributed to polling places closer and more convenient to voters and the fact that, for the first time, at least one early voting location was open every day in each of the districts.

Spencer and Swint will be sworn in at the next regular school board meeting on Thursday, May 17. Election of board officers for 2007-2008 also will occur that evening.

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