

The Board of Trustees of Denton Independent School District, State of Texas, met in a regular meeting at the Denton ISD Central Services building, 1307 N. Locust St., Denton, Texas, on Tuesday, Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at 6:07 PM.

Pursuant to the Governor Abbott's Temporary Suspension of Open Meetings Laws issued on March 16, 2020, this meeting will be conducted via videoconference, which will be audible to the Board and public and allow for two-way communication. The Board President, presiding officer of trustees will not be physically present at one location, but a quorum will be required for the meeting on the videoconference or phone. The public may access this meeting or obtain an electronic copy of the agenda packet at <https://www.dentonisd.org/trustees>.

The meeting was called to order by President Barbara Burns who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Alexander, Burns, Chadwick, Price, Smith and Stafford

Present:

Board Members Absent: Martinez

Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Wilson, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Valenta, Lopez, Perkins, O'Bara, Stevenson and Zwahr

Others: Marshall Reid, *Denton Record Chronicle*; DEA; Randy Stout, Attorney; citizens, staff, and students.

Pledges: The pledges to the flags were led by staff.

Discussion of Resolution for COVID-19: Deron Robinson, General Counsel for the District provided an overview of the Resolution for COVID-19. This Resolution provides Administration and the Superintendent the opportunity to efficiently and effectively manage the current COVID 19 crisis during the time of emergency. The Resolution provides for recruiting and retaining high quality teachers and employees, making purchases in response to the emergency, requesting waivers from TEA, making agreements with other governmental entities; waiving local rules pertaining to grading and evaluations, and adjusting leave times and school calendar, as the extent and length of this closure, and its effect on the Denton ISD is not fully known at this time.

This item is for information only. No action is required.

Denton ISD Quarterly: Templeton Demographics provided the Board of Trustees the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Growth Report. Dallas/Ft. Worth is ranked number one in the nation for the most annual home starts of 34,718.

Growth Report  
4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2019

Denton Crossing

- Ground broken on Phase 1 of Denton Crossing, 1.2 million sq. ft. industrial park
- Spans 83 acres
- Will feature 4 warehouses located off I-35E & Western Blvd
- Phase 1 includes two buildings totaling over 525,000 sq. ft.
- Expected to deliver late summer 2020

Carriage Square

- Construction underway on shopping center located at southwest corner of I-35E and Collier St
- Being redeveloped into 117,621 sq. ft. mixed-use complex with retail and dining space on ground floor
- Four- and five-story multi-family housing located on upper floors of development
- Will bring dozens of new jobs to the area
- No estimated completion date at this time

Sally Beauty Supply is upgrading local stores to modernize operations in attempts to make its stores easier to shop. Sally Beauty will create more than 300 jobs in North Texas at their new distribution center and Denton headquarters. 40 positions will open at Denton headquarters in digital commerce, brand marketing, strategy, and global sourcing.

In 2019 there were more than 5,780 home sales in Denton ISD allowing them to close more than 5,500 homes for the fourth consecutive year. New homes sales within the district have more than doubled since 2010. Since 2010, the average new home price in Denton ISD has increased by \$109,789, or 52% and the average existing home price within the district has increased by 63%, or roughly \$111,485 since 2010. Denton ISD started more than 760 homes in 4Q19, the most starts in the past ten years.

This item is for information only. No action is required.

Construction  
Report

Garry Ryan provided information concerning the current construction projects as to scheduling, progress, and funding.

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2019-2020 4<sup>th</sup>  
Period  
Attendance  
Report

Angela Ricks, Director of Student Support Services provided campus and district ADA percentages for the 4<sup>th</sup> Reporting Period of the 2019-2020 school year (January 7, 2020 through February 14, 2020) and to compare this data to prior years.

There are 28 instructional days in this 4<sup>th</sup> Reporting Period. The district ADA% for 2019-2020 Reporting Period 4 is 95.7%, this is an increase from last school year when the ADA% was 95.17%.

Gonzalez and Ann Windle both serve EE and Pre-K students, their ADA % was 99.87% and 99.53%. Pecan Creek had the highest attendance percentage for elementary campuses in Denton ISD at 96.92%. Crownover had the highest attendance percentage for middle school campuses in Denton ISD at 96.69%. Guyer had the highest attendance percentage for high school campuses in Denton ISD at 96.19%.

This item is for information only. No action is required.

Campus  
Enrollment  
Capacity Report  
for 2020-2021

Angela Ricks, Director of Student Support Services provided a summary of Denton ISD's functional capacity and projected enrollment data for the 2020-2021 school year and to compare this data to prior years. This report will also identify current Denton ISD campuses that are open or closed to intra-district and inter-district transfers. The current designed capacity number is 740 for elementary schools, 1000 for middle schools, 2100 for DHS and RHS, 2400 for BHS and 2800 for GHS.

Based on projected numbers, the following elementary schools will be open for transfers: EP Rayzor, Stephens, Borman, Adkins, Blanton, McNair, Rivera, Union Park, WS Ryan, Providence, Ginnings, LA Nelson, Houston, Evers, Wilson and Alexander. The following elementary schools will be closed for transfers: Hawk, Bell, Pecan Creek, Cross Oaks, N Rayzor, Paloma Creek, Hodge and Savannah. When compared to last school year, LA Nelson was a closed campus and now they are an open campus and Hawk and Paloma Creek were open campuses and now they are closed campuses.

The following middle schools will be open for transfers: Calhoun and McMath. The following middle schools will be closed for transfers: Crownover, Harpool, Myers, Strickland, Rodriguez and Navo. When compared to last school year, Myers and Rodriguez were open campuses and now they are closed campuses.

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Open Forum

Julie Zwahr read the following public comment submitted by:

*Nicholas Moore*

*The resolution seems to be a commitment to the local, state, national, and even the global population to do our part in preventing the spread of COVID-19. Returning to school would unnecessarily risk the spread of the*

*virus while putting a strain on resources, and most importantly, risk the health and life of human beings. As a parent of a young child within the district, I would like the board to proactively decide to close schools at least through April, with the authority to re-open them if conditions drastically change, the virus is eradicated, or a true and comprehensive treatment becomes available. This decision would reduce the variables that parents would have to plan for and would best serve the students of Denton ISD under the current conditions.*

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Consent Agenda Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Doug Chadwick

To approve minutes of the February 25, 2020 Board meeting; personnel matters including Administrator Contracts for 2020-2021; leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of February 29, 2020; approval of the Head Start refunding grant application for FY20, including the Self-Assessment and Improvement Plan, Selection Criteria, TTA Plan, and Strategic Plan; approval of RFP #2002-03 Career and Technical Education Supplies, Services, Equipment, Repairs awarded to all responding vendors that submitted a complete RFP response. This award is for a term beginning the date of award through March 31, 2021; approval of RFP #2002-04 Instructional Supplies, Equipment & Services awarded to all responding vendors that submitted a complete RFP response. This award is for a term beginning the date of award through March 31, 2022; approval of quotes from Dell for the Chromebook devices, Chromebook cabinets, and Dell Latitude laptops for year five totaling \$322,336.00 and approval of the quotes from Pathway Communications for the installation, configuration, asset tagging, and inventorying of the devices and cabinets in the amount of \$18,680.00; approval of the quote from ProComputing in the amount of \$282,358.00 for the purchase and installation of Promethean ActivPanel displays for Strickland Middle School; approval to designate the Chief Financial Officer, the Executive Director of Financial Operations and the Director of Finance each acting alone, the authority to establish and manage bank accounts on behalf of the Denton Independent School District; approval of the Resolution for TexPool Amending Authorized Representatives to add James S. Niven, Chief Financial Officer and remove Debbie Monschke, Assistant Superintendent Administrative Services; approval of the Authorized Representative Add Form for the First Public – Lone Star Investment Pool to add James S. Niven, Chief Financial Officer; approval of the Addition/Deletion Form for Authorized Representatives for TexStar – 06105 to add James S. Niven, Chief Financial Officer and delete Debbie Monschke, Assistant Superintendent Administrative Services; approval of designee Billy Sprabeary as the DISD A.H.E.R.A. Program Manager; approval of Change Order 001 allowing the addition of the Braswell High School kitchen project to the current Balfour Beatty contract for

\$1,900,000.00; approval of the quote from Pasco in the amount of \$707,087 for the purchase and installation of kitchen equipment for Braswell High School; approval of the Surplus Equipment property to be auctioned, disposed of or recycled; approval of Interlocal Agreement for five (5) School Resource Officers, between the Town of Little Elm and Denton ISD whereas the TOWN provides DISD with five (5) certified police officers to serve as school resource officers (SRO). Of the five (5) officers, one will serve as a school resource officer supervisor. These officers will be assigned to Catherine Bell Elementary School, Paloma Creek Elementary School, Navo Middle School and Braswell High School).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider  
Approval of  
Guaranteed  
Maximum Price  
for the  
Technology  
Building

Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve of the Guaranteed Maximum Price \$2,094,689, with a total construction costs \$2,172,111, submitted by Balfour Beatty Construction for the renovation of the new Technology Building to allow all staff to be housed in one building.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider  
Approval of  
Technology  
Building  
Furniture  
Purchase

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Doug Chadwick

To approve the quote from Plano Office Supply Inc. in the amount of \$245,984.92 for the purchase and installation of the office and common area furniture and the quote from C&G Electric Inc. in the amount of \$5,860.00 for the purchase and installation of the LED cubicle lighting at the Technology Building

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider  
Approval of the  
Guaranteed  
Maximum Price  
for the Ryan  
High School  
Addition

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve of the Guaranteed Maximum Price \$49,486,486.00, with a total construction cost \$50,129,798.00, submitted by Northstar Builders for the additions and renovations of Ryan High School. This project will be funded from the 2018 Bond Authorization.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider  
Approval of the  
Resolution for  
the Texas  
Association of

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Mia Price

To approve the Resolution for the Texas Association of School Boards Superintendent of the Year Nomination.

School Boards  
Superintendent  
of the Year  
Nomination

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider  
Approval of the  
Resolution of the  
Board of  
Trustees of the  
Denton  
Independent  
School District  
Regarding  
Delegation of  
Authority During  
the COVID-19  
Emergency

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve the Resolution providing certain authority to the Superintendent during this emergency, including the following:

- Paying all individuals, including any premium payment to hourly workers;
- Authority for hiring contract employees;
- Authority for accepting donations;
- Authority for waivers;
- Authority to enter into interlocal agreements with other governmental entities, which would be thereafter ratified by the Board;
- Authority to adjust leave times;
- Authority to adjust the school calendar;
- Authority to declare disaster and temporarily extend timelines under the TPIA;
- Authority for purchasing any emergency items; and any budgeted items with the purchasing limit raised to \$250,000;
- Authority for waiving local timelines and rules pertaining to employee evaluations; and
- Authority for waiving any local policies regarding grading.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm

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President

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Secretary