

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, June 11, 2024, at 6:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by President Mia Price who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Bundgus, Burns, English, Price, Sosa-Sanchez, Stafford, and Tays

Board Members Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Brown, O'Bara, Parham, Pierce, Rainey, Robinson, Russell, Schulz, Stevenson, Stewart, Thompson, and Wilson

Others: Cindy Breeding, *Denton Record-Chronicle*; citizens, staff, and students

Pledges The Pledges to the flags were led by staff.

Oath of Office Kimberley E. Stevenson, Notary Public, administered the Oath of Office to Barbara Burns and Sheryl English and the newly elected board members were seated on the board.

Closed Session The Board convened into closed session at 6:10 pm

Open Meeting The Board reconvened into Open Session at 6:32 pm

Consider Naming of School Facility Motion by Barbara Burns and seconded by Amy Bundgus

To approve the naming of the Ryan High School Fine Arts Center the Jeannene Abney Fine Arts Center.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Election of Board Officers Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Lori Tays

To nominate Barbara Burns as Board President, Mia Price as Board Vice President, Sheryl English, Board Secretary and Kim Stevenson as recording secretary.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Presentations/
Recognitions

The Broadway Dallas High School Musical Theater Awards aim to inspire and honor excellence in high school musical theater while recognizing the importance of musical theater and arts education in North Texas.

Students and educators are recognized with an annual awards ceremony modeled after the Tony Awards and include both performance and production categories. The qualifying performances are scored by a select group of adjudicators with backgrounds in various art forms in education, music, theater, dance, and related fields. Adjudicators follow rubric criteria to determine the winners in each category.

The Betty Lynn Buckley Awards are named after Fort Worth's own Tony Award-winning Best Actress and Casa Mañana alumna, Betty Lynn Buckley. This scholarship awards program has celebrated the best in high school performing arts since 2000. A panel of distinguished judges – composed of local theater professionals and educators – votes for a winner in seventeen award categories.

This year, Denton ISD had award-winners in five Broadway Dallas categories and three Betty Buckley categories.

The Broadway Dallas and Betty Buckley award winners include:

Broadway Dallas Awards

Outstanding Sound Design (tie)

Braswell High School - Mamma Mia

Guyer High School - Natasha, Pierre, and the Great Comet of 1812

Lead Performer Runner-Up

Emma Grace Freeman, Guyer High School

Spirit Award

Emma Grace Freeman, Guyer High School

Theatre Major Scholarship

Ella Eavenson and Emma Grace Freeman, Guyer High School

Technical Theatre Scholarship

Megan Murello, Guyer High School

Betty Buckley Awards

Excellence in Lighting Design

Mamma Mia – Chloe Milhizer and Bella Houk, Braswell High School

Excellence in Supporting Performance, Musical
Sweeney Todd and Ella Eavenson, Guyer High School

Excellence in Lead Performance, Musical
Sweeney Todd, Emma Grace Freeman, Guyer High School

Public Hearing
for Budget & Tax
Rate 2024-2025

Jennifer Stewart presented the 2024-2025 Proposed Budget. The budget proposal is based on the budgeted tax rate and the district does not know the tax rate at the time of adopting the budget. TEA will assign the district's tax rate in August, based on July certified values. The tax rate adoption will occur in September. The total Maintenance & Operations tax rate is \$.6769 (Personnel, Contracted Services & Utilities); Debt Service tax rate is \$.48 (debt associated with bonds approved by voters). The total budgeted Tax Rate is \$1.1569.

Over the past 18 years local funding has increased while state funding has decreased and will be around 27% for the 2024-2025 school year.

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

President Barbara Burns opened the Budget hearing at 7:22 and closed at 7:23 pm as no one wished to speak.

Discussion of
Student & Parent
Handbook 2024-
2025

Dr. Leslie Guajardo, Director of Student Support Services provided the Board with the Student & Parent Handbook revisions for the 2024-2025 school year. The purpose of this report is to provide Denton ISD's response to the requirements for Chapter 37 of the Texas Education Code. This report will also provide Denton ISD's plan for a unified, district-wide set of practices and procedures that will ensure the best learning environment for our students.

The Student & Parent Handbook is to provide Denton ISD students and their parents with a resource that will guide their understanding of general rules and guidelines for attending and receiving an education in our district. It will also communicate behavioral expectations that reflect our community's values and standards. Finally, this handbook will be a review of basic information available to administration, faculty, and staff to assist them with related board policies, administrative procedures, and district practices. In collaboration with district leaders, updates have been made to the handbook. Further updates may be necessary before the beginning of the 24-25 school year.

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

Discussion of Student Code of Conduct 2024-2025

Dr. Jeff Russell provided the Board with the Student Code of Conduct revision for the 2024-2025 school year. The Student Code of Conduct serves as an information resource describing expectations for academic and personal excellence and guidelines for personal and professional conduct. This resource is created to provide students and parents with information that establishes behavioral expectations that reflect our community's values and standards.

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

Discussion of TASB Policy Update 123 with Revisions to CDC (Local): Other Revenues-Gifts and Solicitations

Deron Robinson, General Counsel presented Policy Update 123. TASB Policy Update 123 encompasses changes in law from the 88th Regular and Special Legislative Sessions that have an immediate effect on the governance and management of the district. Changes to local policies offered for consideration address the following topics: Board member training, ethics, safety programs & risk management, technology resources, employment practices, complaints and grievances, and instructional arrangements and resources.

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

Bond Progress Report

Dean Anthony, Co-Chair of the Bond Progress Committee presented the Board with highlights from the May 15, 2024, Bond Progress committee meeting that was held at Dennis Stephens Central Administration.

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

Discussion of Denton ISD Quarterly Growth Report 1Q2024

Bob Templeton with Zonda provided Denton ISD Board of Trustees with a summary concerning the general DFW housing market, economic indicators, Denton I.S.D. residential activity and enrollment projections as of the 1st Quarter 2024 and its impact to the overall growth of Denton ISD. Items to be reviewed are:

- Review general market & economic conditions.
- Review Denton ISD residential home sales.
- Review Denton ISD multi-family occupancy and sales.
- Identify high growth areas and impact on the district.
- Provide enrollment projections for elementary, middle & high school.

The state of Texas is still the fastest growing state in the US. Denton ISD enrollment increased by 2,697 students between 2018/19 and 2023/24 (8.9%).

There are currently over 260 charter school campuses open in the DFW Area. These campuses enrolled more than 123,000 students in 2023/24, an increase

of nearly than 2,700 students over last year 12 separate campuses opened or began reporting enrollment in 2023/24.

DISD has roughly 1,640 homes currently in inventory with more than 3,400 additional lots available to build on. Groundwork is underway on nearly 3,000 lots within sixteen subdivisions Denton ISD is forecasted to enroll over 37,000 students by 2028/29 and more than 42,000 students by 2033/34.

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

Discussion of Construction Bond Report

Brandon Boyter presented the current construction projects as to scheduling and construction progress of Calhoun Middle School replacement campus, Newton Rayzor Elementary replacement campus, Hill Elementary, Martinez Elementary, Reeves Elementary campuses. Brandon also presented information on the Denton High School multipurpose building.

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

2023-2024 6th Reporting Period Attendance Report

Dr. Leslie Guajardo, Director of Student Support Services provided the Board with the 6th Period Attendance Report. The purpose of this report is to provide campus and district ADA percentages for the 6th reporting period (RP 6) of the 2023-2024 school year (April 15- May 24, 2024) and to compare this data to prior years. This report will also identify current truancy prevention measures being used on Denton ISD campuses to increase student attendance. There were 30 instructional days in the 6th reporting period. The district ADA for 2023-2024 reporting period 6 is 94.58%.

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

End of Year Attendance Report

Dr. Leslie Guajardo, Director of Student Support Services provided the Board with the End of Year Attendance Report. The purpose of this report is to provide campus and district ADA percentages for the 2023-2024 school year (August 10 – May 24, 2024) and to compare this data to prior years.

There are 180 instructional days in this school year. The district ADA for the 2023-2024 school year is 94.58%, this is a slight increase from last school year when the ADA was 94.50%. While we slowly continue to improve in our yearly ADA, like most school districts in Texas, we are not where we were pre-COVID.

At the elementary level, the three campuses with the highest ADA were: EP Rayzor (96.73%), Adkins (96.49%), and Blanton (96.33%). The campuses with the lowest ADA were: Paloma Creek (93.66%), Bell (93.91%), and Evers (94.38%).

At the middle school level, the two campuses with the highest ADA were: Harpool (96.07%) and Crownover (95.97%). The two campuses with the

lowest ADA were: McMath (94.09%) and Myers (94.14%).

At the high school level, the campus with the highest ADA was Guyer (95.13%) and the lowest ADA was Braswell (92.83%).

The two campuses who have shown the highest gains over the past three years are Ann Windle, who went from 90.84% in 2022 to 95.78% in 2024, and Gonzalez, who went from 90.39% in 2022 and 95.75% in 2024.

Both Davis and Fred Moore have seen a decrease in ADA from last year to the present.

Reporting period 1 had the highest ADA at 96.06%, while reporting period 4 had the lowest ADA at 93.13%.

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

Discipline Update Dr. Jeff Russell provided the Board with a Discipline Update. This update will provide insight to not only the behavioral consequences but will shed light on our efforts to use a multi-tiered system of supports to engage the student socially, emotionally, and behaviorally.

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

Federal Grant Awards for the Current School Year Denton Independent School District shall provide public notice of federal grant applications through an information item at a Board meeting and by publishing information on the district's website. The district shall make available opportunities for public input as required by law or the granting agency. The district provides notice to the public on its website that it intends to file federal grant applications as they are made available at various times throughout the school year. The district hereby gives notice to the public that it has filed and been awarded the attached applications for federal grant funds for the current school year. Providing notice will enable the district to maintain eligibility to apply for and receive federal awards, thereby ensuring ongoing benefits for both the students and the district as a whole.

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

Professional Staff Appointments, Resignations and Employment To expedite the hiring of personnel during the Spring and Summer the Board of Trustees gave Dr. Wilson the authority to hire any contractual personnel including classroom teachers and administrators. The Board was provided with a list of those approved transactions.

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

1st Open Forum No one wished to speak

Consent Agenda Motion by Sheryl English and seconded by Mia Price

To approve (the minutes of the May 14, 2024 Cavass of the Election and the May 14, 2024 Board Meeting; Budget Amendments as of May 31, 2024; approval of the proposal in the amount of \$5,568,994.35 submitted by Southwest Service Corporation d/b/a SSC Services for full-service custodian cleaning services for a term of one (1) year beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025; approval of the proposal in the amount of \$3,327,812.88 submitted by HES Facilities, LLC for full-service custodian cleaning services for a term of one (1) year beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025; approval of the proposal in the amount of \$3,686,095.00 submitted by TD Industries for HVAC equipment planned maintenance for a term of one (1) year beginning July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025; approval of resolution authorizing participation in the TexPool Prime investment pool and provide Denton ISD with an additional investment option emphasizing safety and liquidity; approval of the quotes from PowerSchool Group, LLC in the amount of \$469,042.57 for the District's software license renewal for eSchoolPLUS, eFinancePLUS, Cognos, Enrollment Registration and Enrollment School Locator; approval of the quote from MasTec Network Solutions in the amount of \$190,023.60 for the fiber connectivity engineering and construction infrastructure purchase for Fred Hill Elementary School; approval of the quotes in the total amount of \$172,563.93 submitted by Netsync Network Solutions for the District's annual Smart Net maintenance and support contract on Cisco network equipment; approval of the quote from Netsync Network Solutions for the renewal of the District's Cisco Collaboration Enterprise Agreement in the amount of \$1,273,296.00; approval of the quotes from Netsync Network Solutions in the amount of \$552,003.50 for the purchase of equipment to move the remaining five (5) locations from Cisco to Juniper Mist wireless solution; requests approval of the quote from Dell Marketing in the amount of \$470,923.61 for the district's annual Microsoft Enrollment for Education Solutions school licensing renewal to run from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025; approval of the proposal be awarded to all responding vendors on the attached bid tabulation for RFP #2306-08 Miscellaneous Services and Supplies; approval of RFP #2406-CNS0141 be awarded to Ace Mart Restaurant Supply for Child Nutrition Conveyor Dishwasher; approval for the quote from Lockstep Technology Group in the amount of \$265,740.54 for the purchase of equipment and installation related to the Braswell High School (BHS) Fine Arts Auditorium AV upgrade; approval for the quote from Lockstep Technology Group in the amount of \$200,107.20 for the purchase of the Ryan High School (RHS) Commons AV upgrade; approval of the quote from SAVVAS in the amount of \$522,812.50 for the purchase for the 6th-8th grade Science materials selected through the adoption process; approval of the quote from Curriculum Associates i-Ready in the amount of \$410,553.00 for the Instructional Materials Allotment adoption for teacher instructional resources; approval of the quote from Netsync Network Solutions

Services Inc in the amount of \$959,717.75 for the purchase of access switching components as part of the infrastructure purchase for High School 5 and Administration Support buildings; approval of the dual credit partnership agreement between NCTC and Denton ISD Dual Credit MOU for 2024-2025 and 2025-2026; approval of the dual credit partnership agreement between Texas Woman's University and Denton ISD 2024-2025 and 2025-2026; and approval of an interlocal agreement between the City of Denton and Denton Independent School District for the joint use of select Denton ISD facilities and transportation services).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of State
Compensatory
Education 2024-
2025 Budget for
Accelerated
Instruction

Motion by Sheryl English and seconded by Lori Tays

To approve the State compensatory Education 2024-2025 Proposed Accelerated Instruction Budget

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
2024-2025
Proposed Budget

Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez

To approve the adoption of the Proposed Budget for the 2024-2025 school year as presented in the budget book:

	Revenue	Expenditure
General Fund	\$322,131,145	\$342,048,541
Debt Service Fund	\$159,841,328	\$159,836,451
Child Nutrition Fund	\$ 20,537,972	\$ 20,537,972

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
TASB Legislative
Advocacy
Resolution

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Lori Tays

To approve of the resolutions, which represent the position statements of the Board of Trustees for Denton ISD. The Denton ISD Board of Trustees approves and submits the following proposed resolutions:

1. Advocates for providing adequate funding for Texas public schools;
and
2. Advocates for providing sensible accountability for all Texas schools that receive public funds.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Sheryl English

Change Order Number 001 to Decrease the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for the Sandbrock Ranch Elementary School #25 Project	<p>To approve of Change Order Number 001 to decrease the GMP by the amount of \$290,597.00 for the Sandbrock Ranch Elementary School #25 Project</p> <p>The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.</p>
Consider Approval of Change Order Number 001 to Decrease the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for the Braswell High School & Carrico Athletic Complex Additions Projects	<p>Motion by Lori Tays and seconded by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez</p> <p>To approve of Change Order Number 001 to decrease the GMP by the amount of \$51,333.00 for the Braswell High School & Carrico Athletic Complex Additions Project.</p> <p>The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.</p>
Consider Approval of Total Probable Cost and Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Guyer High School Multipurpose Building and Renovation Project	<p>Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Sheryl English</p> <p>To approve of the Total Probable Cost including the Guaranteed Maximum Price for the Guyer High School Multipurpose Building and Renovations project. BWC submitted a GMP in the amount of \$26,140,945 for a Total Probable Cost of \$28,540,106. The approval will create an overall GMP for the Guyer Project of \$33,994,875 and a total probable cost of \$37,193,272.</p> <p>The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.</p>
Consider and Act Upon Adoption of an Order Authorizing the Issuance of Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds of the	<p>Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Charles Stafford</p> <p>To approve and consider and act upon adoption of an order authorizing the issuance of unlimited tax refunding bonds of the Denton Independent School District; establishing procedures and delegating authority for the sale and delivery of the bonds; levying an annual ad valorem tax for the payment of said bonds; and enacting other provisions relating to the subject:</p>

Denton

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the Payment of
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Enacting
other Provisions
Relating to the
Subject

1. The maximum principal amount of Series 2024 Refunding Bonds that may be issued is \$41,585,000 – The principal amount of the Series 2014-B Bonds currently outstanding;
2. The maximum interest rate (All-In TIC) on the Series 2024 Refunding Bonds is 4.50%;
3. The final maturity of the Series 2024 Refunding Bonds may not exceed August 15, 2034 (i.e., 10 years) and
4. The Refunding Program must be completed prior to August 1, 2024

Unless each parameter listed above can be achieved, the Series 2024 Refunding Bonds would not be issued until additional direction is received from the District's Board of Trustees.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

2nd Open Forum

The following community members addressed the Board: Donna Smith, Debbie Scaggs, Dr. Terry Senne and Mary Kiehfeldt.

Closed Meeting

The Board convened into Closed Session at 9:16 pm

Open Meeting

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 11:18 pm

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 11:23 pm

President

Secretary