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Minutes of the July 28, 2008 Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on July 28, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room located at the Vonita White Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by President Cindy Warner.

Members present: Cindy Warner, President; Bennett Ratliff, Vice President; Susie Kemp, Secretary; Scott Orr; Anthony Hill and Thom Hulme. A quorum was present. David Apple arrived at 6:32 p.m.

Staff present: Dr. Jeff N. Turner, Superintendent; Kay Ryon, Assistant Secretary; Sid Grant; Kelly Penny; Judy Denman; Sherrye Dotson; Debra Hart; Brad Hunt; Chad Branum; Denise Sullivan; Louis Macias and Kevin Whitsett

Legal counsel present: Robert Luna

Notice of this meeting was posted on July 25, 2008 at 11:15 a.m.

At 6:30 p.m. President Warner declared the Board in closed session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Sections 551.071, 551.072 and 551.074.

At 7:32 p.m. President Warner declared the Board in Open Session.

The invocation was given by Susie Kemp.

AWARDS

Tessa Plana, a 2008 CHS graduate, was recognized for her accomplishments in wrestling. She holds the record for the most wins in school history and the state record for pins at the State Tournament.

Chelsea Owen was named an “Outstanding Soloist” at the UIL Texas State Solo-Ensemble competition held in May.

OPEN FORUM

No one signed up to address the Board during Open Forum.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

President Cindy Warner gave a report on the City 2030 Committee. She also stated that Board member Scott Orr has been honored as a Distinguished Alumni of Abilene Christian University.

Bennett Ratliff talked about the solar car competition in which students from CHS competed.

A report on the North Central Texas Council of Governments was presented by Thom Hulme.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Dr. Turner stated that in light of recent news stories he wanted to assure the Board that he has not accepted any honorariums.

CHILDREN'S INTERNET PROTECTION ACT (CIPA)

When a district participates and receives e-rate funding and implements a new internet filtering system, it is required to discuss how it is in compliance with CIPA. Chad Branum, Director of Technology, reported that the district is currently using internet filtering software for internet safety in order to protect staff and students from inappropriate material.

CONSENT

Susie Kemp made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Approve minutes of special meeting (budget workshop) and regular meeting held on June 30, 2008
2. Approve 2007-2008 budget amendments
3. Approve Financial Report for June 30, 2008

Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

ACTION

Debra Hart, Director of Student Services, discussed the proposed changes to the 2008-09 Student Code of Conduct. The Board noted the following areas of concern:

- ◆ Skipping school without parent permission, pg. 8
- ◆ Expulsion vs. placement
- ◆ Participation in activities while suspended or in ISS, pg. 10
- ◆ Adding ipods to list of technology not permitted in school, pg. 25
- ◆ Length of placement in JJAEP (The Board directed Ms. Hart to report at a later time about the MOU.)
- ◆ Zero Tolerance Statement

Scott Orr made a motion to approve the 2008-2009 CISD Student Code of Conduct as presented with the modifications discussed. David Apple seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Bennett Ratliff made a motion to approve the change made to Board Policy EIF (LOCAL) – Academic Achievement – Graduation as presented. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Thom Hulme made a motion to approve changes to Board Policy GKD (LOCAL) – Community Relations – Nonschool Use of School Facilities as presented and with the insertion of the word “one” in the first sentence of the “REPEATED USE” section (to read as follows: The District shall permit repeated use by any group or organization for nonschool purposes for no longer than *one* year). Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

David Apple made a motion to approve the Superintendent as Purchasing Agent for the Coppell Independent School District, Authorized Representative for all Federal programs including E-Rate and Child Nutrition, and Designated Custodian for the general fund, building fund, child nutrition fund, bond fund, activity fund, all federal programs including E-Rate, all state programs, and all other school programs and activities not listed for the 2008-2009 school year. Thom Hulme seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Bennett Ratliff made a motion to approve the purchase of a 12,000 gallon divided above-ground fuel tank from Micro Industrial Corporation for the district’s portion cost of \$35,709.00. Susie Kemp seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Cindy Warner made a motion to have a public meeting to discuss the budget and proposed tax rate (1.279 per hundred valuation - maintenance and operations 1.04 and debt service .239, based on administrative recommendations) on August 18, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. to be held at the Vonita White Administration Building, 200 S. Denton Tap Road, Coppell, Texas. Bennett Ratliff seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Item H–(Consider approval of a lease agreement with St. Ann Parish Church for use of the parking lot)–was pulled from the agenda and will be considered at a later meeting.

Bennett Ratliff made a motion to approve the updated Board Operating Procedures as presented with a change in the wording regarding abstentions. Scott Orr seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Anthony Hill made a motion to endorse James Goode as a candidate to fill a position on the TASB Board of Directors. Thom Hulme seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

At 8:59 p.m., President Warner declared the Board in closed session as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters).

President Warner declared the Board in open session at 10:30 p.m.

Anthony Hill made a motion to accept new hires for CISD professional personnel as recommended by the Superintendent. Scott Orr seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Anthony Hill made a motion to accept resignations for CISD professional personnel as recommended by the Superintendent. Thom Hulme seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 10:32 p.m.

Cindy Warner, Board President

Susie Kemp, Secretary