

The Board of Trustees of Denton Independent School District, State of Texas, met in a special meeting at the Denton ISD Central Services building, 1307 N. Locust St., Denton, Texas, on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 6:02 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Barbara Burns who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Alexander, Burns, Harris, Martinez, Price, Smith and Stafford

Board Members Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Wilson, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Valenta, Sargent, Stevenson and Zavala

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

Pledges: The pledges to the flags were led by Paloma Creek Elementary students.

Presentations/ Recognitions The Denton ISD Board of Trustees and Superintendent recognized State Senator Jane Nelson for her support of the district and public education in Texas. Senator Nelson most recently served as the Chair of the Senate Finance Committee and as a member of the Legislative Budget Board. A former educator, Senator Nelson has prided herself on being a proponent of public education and is known for her passion for education, her accessibility to educational leaders and for gathering input from her constituents before tackling legislative issues in Austin.

January is School Board Recognition month in Texas and Denton ISD is joining districts across the state in recognizing the outstanding work our Trustees put in each year to ensure the children of the 17 communities Denton ISD serves receive a quality education. Students and staff from various campuses will be on hand to show their appreciation to the trustees.

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

1st Open Forum No one wished to speak.

Digital Learning Design Project Proposal Dr. Mike Mattingly, Assistant Superintendent, Dwight Goodwin, Director of Instructional Technology, Chris Shade, Director of School Improvement and Lyneille Meza, Director of Data & Assessment presented the proposal the Design Team has been working on since 2014. The 10-member team

comprised of teachers, administrators and technology specialists has been studying the implementation of devices in the classroom for the past 18 months. The Denton Digital Learning Design Team will share the digital learning proposal for the Board to consider. The objectives of the proposal include:

1. technology for future-ready classrooms (Four C's);
2. a replacement cycle for current technology; and,
3. solutions for immediate and long-term needs including a timeline for implementation.

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High School
Graduation
Planning and
Course Catalog

Vicky Christenson, Director of Secondary Academics provided the High School Course Catalog and Planning Guide and the High School Personal Graduation Planner. The course catalog is comprised of all of the high school course offerings, graduation requirements, testing information, GPA guidelines and information, and college information, and also serves as a planning guide. HB 5 has brought many changes in high school graduation requirements and provides for a new set of graduation plans for Texas students. These graduation plans consist of a core foundation plan for every Texas student and five endorsements/majors from which students may choose depending on their interests. The incoming freshman class will follow the new Foundation Plan which requires 22 earned credits to qualify for a high school diploma and 26 requirements to include an endorsement. Students, by meeting additional requirements, can also earn a Distinguished or Performance Acknowledgements.

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E-Rate Report
Update

Ernie Stripling, Chief Technology Officer, shared with the board the process by which the district receives a 60 percent discount from the Federal Communications Commission to purchase network equipment. Denton ISD has elected to partner with Region 11 ESC to purchase more bandwidth.

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

2nd Open Forum

No one wished to speak

Consent Agenda

Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Glenna Harris

To approve (the minutes for the December 8, 2015 board meeting; personnel matters, leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of December 31, 2015; Investment Report as of November 30, 2015; Ann Windle Head Start Compliance Reports for November, 2015; Ann Windle Head Start revised Policy Council By-Laws; TEA Class Size Waiver as submitted; approval of

travel for Denton High School Percussion Ensemble to travel to the Music for All National Percussion Festival in Indianapolis, Indiana, March 9-13, 2016; approval of Denton High School Jazz Band to travel for performance and clinic at the University of Washington in Seattle, Washington, April 14-19, 2016; approval of Denton High School Choir to travel for historic performances in Boston, MA, Quebec and Montreal, Canada, March 9-16, 2016; approval of Guyer High School Orchestra to travel for performance and adjudication in Chicago Symphony Hall, Chicago, Illinois, April 7-10, 2016; approval of Crownover Middle School Choir to travel to the Choice Events Music Festival in San Antonio, Texas, May 13-15, 2016; approval of Ryan High School Choir to travel to the Alamo Showcase of Music in San Antonio, Texas, April 15-17, 2016; Approval of Ryan High School Orchestra for travel to the Choice Music Events Festival in South Padre and San Antonio, Texas, April 21-24, 2016; approval of second and final extension of one additional year with TFE (Technology For Education) for Miscellaneous Data Drops; approval of the additional services offered by Teague Nall & Perkins, Inc. for the offsite pedestrian pathway plan at Braswell High School and approval for the use of insurance proceeds, in the amount of \$205,155.83, to replace and repair the roofs at Newton Rayzor Elementary, Harpool Middle School, Guyer High School, Blanton Elementary, PDC Building, Denton High School, Crownover Middle School, and CDC Building as a result of hail damage.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of For
Order of Election

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Dorothy Martinez
To Approve the Order of Election to be held on May 7, 2016.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

3rd Open Forum

Aaron Graves – Librarian at Denton HS is excited by the new technology but has concerns about BYOD and is concerned because not all devices are created equal. Would like to see the Design Team place more than 15 devices in a classroom because she feels this would not be enough for an entire classroom.

Rhonda Thomas Strickland Middle School Librarian feels there needs to be an additional person to help with technology issues as she feels this would be an added strain. Chromebooks are currently used in some grade levels which are in the basement of Strickland due to the Wi-Fi signal and also can't get them to print.

Closed Meeting

The Board convened into Closed Session at 7:46 pm

Open Meeting

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 8:25pm

Motion by Dorothy Martinez and seconded by Glenna Harris

To approve Denton ISD pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 272, grant to HSM Adkisson Ranch, LTD, the Drainage Easement and Right-of-Way necessary to alleviate the drainage of run-off water onto Myers Middle School and Stephens Elementary School.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

The Board convened into closed Session at 8:27 pm

The Board convened into Open Session at 12:16 am

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 12:20 am

President

Secretary