

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, October 12, 2021, at 6:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by President Doug Chadwick who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Alexander, Burns (virtually), Chadwick, English, Price, Sosa-Sanchez, and Stafford

Board Members

Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Wilson, Niven, Mattingly, Pierce, Perkins, O’Bara, Rainey, Robinson, Russell, Stewart, Stevenson, and Zwahr

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

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

Presentations/ Recognitions The Board recognized First Denton as this month’s Community Spotlight.

Each year the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) honors businesses and organizations for their support and exceptional advocacy of local schools. This state-wide honor, as part of “Stand Up for Texas Public Schools,” recognizes local businesses and community organizations who partner with districts, making a difference in the lives of local public-school students. The District’s partnership with First Denton has been one of longtime support and philanthropy. This past year they stepped in during our campus closure in many ways, seen and behind the scenes.

First, they are prominent partners adopting Newton Rayzor Elementary and Alexander Elementary providing direct support to our teachers and staff. Often their volunteers are on campus doing the “extras” for our students and honoring our teachers on special occasions and sometimes even on regular days. Recently, they served students by staffing some of the district’s “Table to Trunk” meal pick-up locations. Not only did they sponsor a back-to-school supply drive for students, but the First Denton facility was used to store and sort supplies so items could easily be delivered to campuses throughout the district.

This school year, First Denton was the signature sponsor of the district's New Employee Reception, where we were able to welcome 650 new staff members and raise \$10,000 for new employee classroom grants.

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

1<sup>st</sup> Open Forum Several community members addressed the Board about masks and the mental impact on students.

Student Liaison Board of Trustees – Ryan Zone The purpose of the report is to provide students a 'voice' in sharing their perspectives, suggestions, and recommendations to the Board of Trustees. This group of young students shared their thoughts as students of the of our dual language program, which is unique to the Ryan Zone. Dr. Gwen Perkins, Area Superintendent introduced several students (elementary, middle & high school) who have participated in the dual language program.

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

Discussion of Elementary and Secondary Campus Improvement Plans for 2021-2022 The Campus Improvement Planning is compiled after each district campus leadership team completes a campus comprehensive needs assessment. The purpose of this report is to share each campus improvement plan with the board to show how our goals and action steps are aligned to board goals, district goals, and campus goals. The plans are a working, living document that provide each camps a pathway for student success. This report will show each campus goal (s), action steps to reach that goal, any financial implications, persons responsible, and a timeline for achieving the goal. The CIP's will highlight the great work our district is doing to support student achievement, student engagement, and social/emotional learning.

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COVID Report Susannah O'Bara, Assistant Superintendent provided the Board with the most up to date COVID case data from the Denton County Public Health Department. Denton ISD's will remain in constant communication with DCPH regarding guidance and protocols for the health and safety of our community.

The Board took a short recess at 8:27 pm and returned at 8:40

2<sup>nd</sup> Open Forum No one wished to speak

Consent Agenda Motion by Sheryl English and seconded by Patsy Sosa Sanchez

To approve (the minutes of the September 28, 2021, Board meeting; personnel matters, leaves and absences; approve the 2021 – 2022 T-TESS certified appraisers as submitted; approval of Denton County Extension

Agents as Adjunct Faculty Members for 4-H extra-curricular activities and 4H Resolution for the 2021-2022 school year and approval of declaration of surplus property).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider Approval  
of DCAD Board of  
Directors  
Nomination  
Resolution

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Sheryl English

To nominate Charles Stafford and Roy Atwood for the DCAD Board of Directors

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

3<sup>rd</sup> Open Forum

No one wished to speak.

Closed Meeting

The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:43 pm

Open Meeting

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 10:02 pm

Motion by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez and seconded by Sheryl English

To facilitate future facility needs at Guyer High School, the Board provides authorization for the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent to negotiate a Partial Abandonment of Surface Rights agreement with EagleRidge Energy II, LLC, which would provide for abandonment and capping of the remaining three wells on Guyer High School property as discussed in closed session.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 pm

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President

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Secretary