

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, December 8, 2009 at 6:00 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Jim Alexander who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Alexander, Harris, Price, Ramsey, Rodriguez, Smith, and Stafford

Board Members Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Braswell, Rutherford, Wilson, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Stephens, Cox and Stevenson.

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

Pledges: The pledges to the flags were led by Borman Elementary School students.

Presentations/ Recognitions: No presentations were scheduled.

1st Open Forum: No one wished to speak

Public Hearing For AEIS Report: Denton ISD is required by law to make this information available to the public and to hold a public hearing. Dr. Braswell, Superintendent reviewed some of the highlights of the AEIS report regarding student ethnic populations, student demographics, attendance and dropout percentages, AYP results, TAKS, SAT and ACT test scores, program expenditures, staffing and salary data and District revenue sources. The PBMAS, ELI/SELI and TELPASS reports were also included in the report for the Board.

The public hearing opened at 6:33 pm for public comment and closed at 6:34 pm. No one wished to speak.

Quarterly Audit Report on Energy: Bob Wilken with TD Industries presented to the Board year three of the Utility Management Report. TDI and the District conducts monthly on-site analysis of utility data to identify areas of concern followed by immediate investigation and/or corrective action. An “intelligent” irrigation control application has been developed to help

reduce the consumption of water. Over the three years of the program, the district has reduced its cumulative utility spending by \$3,928,625 on the same schools that existed in the Base Year.

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

Discussion of
Alternative
Energy

Starting on May 1, 2009, Denton Municipal Electric (DME) entered into a multi-year power purchase agreement with NextEra Energy Resources, LLC, a subsidiary of FL Energy. NextEra's energy portfolio, which includes the Wolf Ridge Wind Farm in Muenster, Texas with 60 megawatts of renewable energy. 60 megawatts comprises about 40 percent of DME's energy needs on average. DME also receives renewable energy from the landfill to gas energy project located at the City of Denton landfill, which is operated by DTE Energy. This project provides 1.6 megawatts of renewable energy to DME. Denton leads the nation with more wind energy per capita than any other city in the nation.

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

Discussion of
Sale of Bonds

Bill Gumbert, Managing Director of BOSCO, Inc. presented an update on the District's Bond capacity. In January 2008, the District completed the initial bond sale from the 2007 Bond Program and has \$116,745,000 of remaining bonds to be sold. Historically, construction costs have correlated with the prevailing economic cycle and construction costs are likely to increase once the economy rebounds, but there remains a current opportunity to save significant dollars on authorized school construction projects. Due to the District's current "Wealth Per Student" pursuant to current State funding regulations the District is not projected to receive any State funding assistance for the repayment of existing or new bonds.

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

Board recessed at 8:11 pm and reconvened at 8:24 pm

Discussion of
Revision to
Policy DEC
(Local)
Compensation &
Benefits: Leaves
and Absences

This item is being pulled until the next board meeting.

3rd Quarter
Growth Report

Rod Reeves, Facilities Coordinator presented the Board with the 3rd Quarter Growth Report. DISD continues to rank 3rd in annual new

home closings among DFW school districts [Frisco (1st), Northwest (2nd)]. Quarterly starts are up 66% from 2nd Quarter of 2009 and homes under construction are up 62% from 2nd Quarter 2009.

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

Discuss
Clarification of
Official Name of
Gonzalez
Facility

The Board discussed the clarification of the Gonzalez Pre-K facility name.

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

Discussion &
Review of TASB
Policy Update 86

Update 86 included 61 legal policies, 10 local policies, 2 local policy deletions, and 2 Exhibits. It addresses a variety of topics, including election procedures, content of the district improvement plan, activity funds management, purchasing, energy conservation, integrated pest management, electronic textbooks, transportation safety, criminal history checks, incentive and mentor teacher programs, assault leave, employee grievances, the Public Information Act, physical education, graduation requirements, military dependents, grading, the Student Success Initiative, student absences, and student discipline.

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

Bond Progress
Committee
Report

Janet Shelton, Bond Progress Committee Co-Chair presented an overview of the current bond projects.

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

Construction
Report

The construction report was provided to the Board on CD.

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

SWAP Report

Bill Gumbert, Managing Director of BOSC, Inc. presented a summary of the 2005 and 2006 Swap agreements which have continued to provide a lower interest cost in comparison to traditional fixed rate bonds. Collectively, the 2005 and 2006 Swap Agreements have provided a \$2,405,740 debt service savings to the District.

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

Attendance
Reports

The Board reviewed the daily attendance reports for campus absenteeism.

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

NCLB-Highly Qualified Report Dr. Braswell informed the Board that all teachers assigned to the NCLB core areas (Math, Science, Social Studies, English Language Arts, Fine Arts, and Foreign Languages) are 100% Highly Qualified.

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

Announcement of Board of Trustees Continuing Education Hours Kim Stevenson announced that all of the Trustees met and has exceeded their Continuing education requirements as of December 8, 2009.

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

Staff-Student Wellness Report Jonita Widmer presented the Staff/Student Wellness Report which provided the Board of Trustees with an overview of identified sources of stress for both staff and students. In addition, the report identified the multitude of activities and a program actively being utilized to reduce the impact stress has on staff and students.

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

2nd Open Forum No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda Charles Stafford requested item N-Approval for Travel to a Non-State-Sanctioned Activity, Out-of-State for Denton High School Interact Club be pulled for further discussion.

Jeanetta Smith requested item I-Approval of District English Language Arts/Reading Textbook Selection Committee be pulled for further discussion.

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Rudy Rodriguez

To approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of items “I” and “N” (minutes for the November 10, 2009 board meeting; personnel matters and personnel leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of November 30, 2009; Investment Report as of October 31, 2009; approval of Standard Life & Accident (Arbor Benefits Group) as the Medical Specific and Aggregate Stop Loss Insurance for the 2010 plan year; approval of policy revisions to Policy EIF (Local) Academic Achievement on 2nd reading; approve the renewal of TASB Risk Fund for the following coverage’s: \$888,597,381 Blanket Replacement Cost Limit - \$50,000 Deductible and \$250,000 Deductible for Wind, Hurricane and Hail, Equipment Breakdown, Miscellaneous Property, Liability, Vehicle, & Crime; approval of proposal #091022 submitted by D’Tel Communications in the amount of \$94.00 per drop be accepted for a period of one year with

the option, upon governing body approval, to extend the proposal for one additional period of one year; approval for ATC Cosmetology Students to travel out-of-state to the Midwest Beauty Show, Chicago, Illinois, March 28-31, 2010; approval of Strickland Middle School Choir to travel to the Director's Choice Music Festival in San Antonio, Texas, May 14-16, 2010; approval for the DHS Orchestra to travel out-of-state to attend educational performances and activities in New York City, New York, April 8-11, 2010; approval of the Paloma Creek Elementary Modification of Easement with Brazos Electric Power Cooperative; and approval of additional PRIDE appraisers for 2009-2010.)

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Motion by CS and seconded by CR to approve Item I

passed

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Curtis Ramsey

To approve Item N-for the Denton High School Interact Club to travel out-of-state with Rotary to Chinandega, Nicaragua on March 13-20, 2010.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Curtis Ramsey to approve Item I-Approval of District English Language Arts/Reading Textbook Selection Committee

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
2010-2011
School Calendar

Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Rudy Rodriguez

To approve the 2010-2011 School Calendar as submitted.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
Exemption for

Motion by Curtis Ramsey and seconded by Jeanetta Smith

To approve the exemption for the Denton ISD to "opt out" of HIPPA

<p>the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)</p>	<p>on all benefit plans.</p> <p>The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.</p>
<p>Voting for Denton Central Appraisal District Board of Directors</p>	<p>Motion by Curtis Ramsey and seconded by Jeanetta Smith</p> <p>To approve the superintendent to allocate the board's votes to Mr. Stafford and Mr. Woolfolk for the Denton Central Appraisal District Board of Directors and to disperse the votes as needed.</p> <p>The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.</p>
<p>Approval of Official Name of Gonzalez Facility</p>	<p>Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Curtis Ramsey</p> <p>To make the official name of the Pre-K center the <u>PoPo and Lupe Gonzalez School for Young Children.</u></p> <p>The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.</p>
<p>3rd Open Forum</p>	<p>No one wished to speak.</p>
<p>Closed Meeting</p>	<p>The Board convened into Closed Session at 10:05 pm</p>
<p>Open Meeting</p>	<p>The Board reconvened into Open Session at 10:50 pm</p>
<p>Adjournment:</p>	<p>The meeting adjourned at 10:55 pm.</p>

President

Secretary