

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, April 25, 2023, at 6:00 PM.

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

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

Board Members

Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present:

Mattingly, Pierce, Perkins, O’Bara, Parham, Rainey, Robinson, Russell, Stewart, Stevenson, and Zwahr

Others:

Cindy Breeding, *Denton Record Chronicle*; Randy Stout, Attorney; citizens, staff, and students.

Pledges:

The pledges to the flags were led by Newton Rayzor Elementary students.

Presentations/  
Recognitions

Forty-nine Denton ISD students from five different campuses placed in the top 10 at the Texas Association of Future Educators (TAFE) state contest and competition – a statewide event consisting of middle school and high school students. Of those 49 students, 18 qualified for the national competition. The top 10 from each category can advance to nationals. TAFE is a co-curricular statewide non-profit (501-c3) student organization created to allow young men and women an opportunity to explore the teaching profession. The organization was created in 1984 to provide the best and brightest high school and middle school students in Texas with the necessary knowledge to make informed decisions about pursuing careers in education.

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 that partner with districts, making a difference in the lives of local public-school students. For more than a decade, our partnership with Jostens has been one of longtime support and philanthropy. As a corporation that is known worldwide for elevating memories and special moments in time, they continually celebrate education and Denton ISD Teachers of the Year.

1<sup>st</sup> Open Forum            The following community members/students addressed the Board: Camila Segura Tau, Oma Lesley, Kim Krutka, Lenry Van Zyl, Debi Scaggs, Rebecca Bertoni, Kristine Bray,

Discussion of 2023-2024 Budget    Jennifer Stewart, Executive Director of Budget provided the Board with an overview of Legislative Update HB 100, Average Daily Attendance and Basic Allotment Increase scenarios.

- HB 100 highlight increases the basic allotment to \$6,250 in FY 2024 and \$6,300 in FY 2025 (and requires that 50% of the gain be used for salary increases for teachers, counselors, nurses, and librarians); Includes an inflationary adjustment beginning in FY 2025?? 2027??
- Extends formula transition grant to FY 2029.
- Increase transportation funding.
- Eliminates the cap on the fast growth allotment.
- Changes the special program allotments (but not the regular program allotment) to use enrollment rather than attendance in FY 2025.
- Updates special education funding in FY 2025 based on formulas to be set by appropriation and commissioner action.
- Increases each compensatory education weight by .0005 in FY 2025

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

Discussion of Legislative Updates for the 88<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session    Deron Robinson, General Counsel provided the Board of Trustees with updates and resources regarding the 88<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session. There have been 1307 bills filed pertaining to public education. Deron reviewed the education bills and highlighted several Senate and House bills for the Board to keep track of. As of April 21, 2023, 8,267 total bills have been filed.

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

Discussion of Board Operating Procedures    Barbara Burns, Board Vice-President reviewed the proposed changes in the Board Operating Procedure. President Mia Price, Vice-President Barbara Burns and Dr. Jim Alexander reexamined the current Board Operating Procedures which is performed on an annual basis to ensure procedures meets practice.

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

Discussion of Compensation Plan for 2023-2024    The Board of Trustees was provided information regarding salary increases for Denton ISD staff for the 2023-2024 school year. The proposed recommendation will include two parts: a general pay increase for all employees, and equity adjustments for employees whose current salary is below the market median.

Human Resources provided the Board with general pay increase models for consideration providing for either a 2%, 3%, or 4% increase of each pay grade

midpoint for all employees. Each teacher and librarian will receive a minimum of \$1,300 and up to \$2,550 general pay increase. Model 1 and Model 2 provide teachers and librarians from step 18 through step 25 an additional pay increase due to market adjustments. This positively affects 2,500 of our experienced teachers and librarians.

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

5<sup>th</sup> Reporting  
Period Attendance  
Report

The purpose of this report is to provide the Board of Trustees with a summary of Denton ISD's ADA and Reporting period 5 update, for the 2022–2023 school year and to compare this data to previous years. The current ADA is 94.24 %.

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

Intruder Detection  
Audit Update

The purpose of this report is to provide an update to the recent Intruder Detection Audits conducted by the Texas School Safety Center. To date 28 Denton ISD schools have been reviewed. Corrective actions, if any, have been completed at this time. Further details have been provided to the Board in executive session as well as the District's Safety and Security Committee at a recent meeting for the purpose of safety and security.

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Open Forum

No one wished to speak

Consent Agenda

Motion by Barbara Burns and seconded by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez

To approve (the minutes of the April 11, 2023, board meeting, personnel matters, leaves, absences; approve the Resolution Extending Depository Contract for Funds to extend the depository contract with PNC Bank for an additional two-year term from 7/1/2023 through 6/30/2025; approval of RFP #2209-14 Fundraising Supplies & Services be awarded to all responding vendors on the bid tabulation; approval of RFP #2303-04 Charter Transportation Services be awarded to the six (6) responding vendors as notated on the bid tabulation; approve the firm of Hankins, Eastup, Deaton, Tonn, Seay and Scarborough for the 2022-2023 fiscal year audit; approval of the quotes in the total amount of \$1,006,688.15 submitted by Netsync Network Solutions for the District's annual maintenance contract and support on Cisco network equipment, for year five, of the five-year contract, to run from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024 and approval of the quotes from PowerSchool in the amount of \$407,497.57 for the District's software license renewal for eSchoolPLUS, eFinancePLUS, Cognos, Registration, School Locator, Update Subscription and Workflow).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider Approval  
of Board Operating  
Procedures

Motion by Sheryl English and seconded Patsy Sosa-Sanchez

To approve the Board Operating Procedure as presented

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

3<sup>rd</sup> Open Forum

The following community members addressed the Board: Deborah Avellano,  
Rebecca Bertoni.

Closed Meeting

The Board convened into Closed Session at 7:50 pm

Open Meeting

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 8:22 pm

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm

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President

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Secretary