

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, November 1, 2022, 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: Niven, Mattingly, Pierce, Perkins, O’Bara, Rainey, Robinson, Russell, Stewart, and Zwahr

Others: Cindy Breeding, *Denton Record Chronicle*; citizens, staff, and students.

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

Presentations/ Recognitions: Eleven Denton ISD students have been chosen out of 1.6 million total entrants to be semi-finalists or commended scholars in the National Merit Scholarship Program for this year’s graduating class.

The College Board honored 112 current Denton ISD high school students with distinctions for the 2021-2022 school year, according to their annual list of recipients who are named Advanced Placement Scholars.

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.

Our partnership with LovePacs, a non-profit, ensures that students have meals during breaks from school and on holidays. Working with our campus counselors, they serve families through a seamless system that guarantees that the supplies are shared with our families who need assistance

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

1st Open Forum: The following community members addressed the Board regarding various issues: Ebonye Redwine, Anna Lam, Margaret Calabrese, Dean Boyd and Lenry Van Zyl,

Discussion of Denton
Central Appraisal
District Vision

Don Spencer, Deputy Chief Appraiser/Interim Chief Appraiser addressed the Board of Trustees to present the future plans and vision of the 2023 DCAD budget. DCAD has requested an increase to its budget for more appraisers which gives each appraiser less parcels to appraise and decreases the chance for errors as well as less protests per appraiser. Having more Appraisal Review Board members will provide less wait time for taxpayers and a timely certification. DCAD is budgeting for 17 new residential appraisers and customer service specialists which helps increase capacity and productivity. DCAD will also leverage technology to offset personnel cost.

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

Discussion of
Elementary School
Planning with
Pfluger Architects

Susannah O'Bara, Asst. Superintendent, Terry Hoyle, CEO Pfluger and Casey Myra, Pfluger Architect presented the next generation of elementary school design process. Pfluger along with staff from Curriculum and Instruction, Academic Programs and Principals worked on what they felt the future of education should look and feel like. Some of the guiding principles were:

1. Create active, flexible, inclusive learning experiences and make learning fun.
2. Provide open spaces so that learning is visible everywhere but limit disruption to others.
3. Integrate environmental safety levels into the design.
4. Ensure that equitable resources are provided to all students and staff.
5. Aesthetics should be geared toward the specific needs /wants /wishes of the community.
6. Provide opportunities for students to facilitate their own learning and allow them to have their own choices.

The design concept would be having a central 'hub' to include dining, outdoor learning and media center with classrooms on the outside edges and the specialty classes such as science, maker space, music and art would be sprinkled with the hub area. The new design would be a 2-story building to lessen the exterior entry points into the building.

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

Discussion of
Attendance Boundary
Modifications –
Cheek Middle School

Dr. Jeff Russell, Area Superintendent provided the Board of Trustees with an overview of the proposed attendance boundary modifications to Rodriguez Middle School and Navo Middle School which will also establish the boundary modification for the new Cheek Middle School to open for the 2023-2024 school year. During recent attendance boundary discussions, the District explored the impact of future developments on the enrollment at Cheek Middle School. These future developments would have a significant impact to enrollment capacity at Rodriguez Middle School and Navo Middle School and making these boundary adjustments now would provide the greatest campus size efficiency for a longer period of time for all three middle schools.

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

2022-2023
Attendance Report –
Period 1

The purpose of this report is to provide the Board of Trustees with a summary of Denton ISD's ADA and Reporting period 1 update, for the 2022–2023 school year and to compare this data to previous years. The objective is to closely monitor the ADA and overall attendance at each Denton ISD campus and to provide support and resources where needed.

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

2022-2023 Medical
Benefits Transition
Update

Chris Bomberger, Executive Director for Risk Management presented the Board of Trustees, for their review and discussion, an overview of employee participation that occurred during open enrollment for 2022-2023 benefits and provide a timeline for the 2023-2024 plan year. Denton ISD has 5,066 eligible employees selecting medical and non-medical plan options.

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

Intruder Detection
Audit Report Update

The Texas School Safety Center conducted Intruder Detection Audits pursuant to updated legal requirements. Six Denton ISD schools were reviewed. Corrective actions, if any, have been completed at this time. Further detail has been provided to the Board in executive session for the purposes of safety and security.

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

2nd Open Forum

No one wished to speak

Consent Agenda

Motion by Barbara Burns and seconded by Sheryl English

To approve (the minutes of the October 11, 2022, board meeting, personnel matters, leaves, and absences; Melissa Bates, current Assistant Principal at Braswell, named New Principal of Providence Elementary. Investment Report as of September 30, 2022, RFP #2203-01B Local Retail Stores which establishes an approval list of vendors to be used to purchase various commodities and services from local vendors).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider Approval of
Campus
Improvement Plans

Motion by Sheryl English and seconded by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez

To approve the 2022-2023 Campus Improvement Plans. The Campus Improvement Plans have been completed by all district campuses, except for Ann Windle who does not complete one, after working with campus leadership teams consisting of teachers, paraprofessionals, parents, community members, and business members.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider Approval of TEA Guidelines for Elementary School Design Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Sheryl English
To approve the elementary guidelines as required by the Texas Education Agency.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider Approval of Elementary Design by Pfluger Architects Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Jim Alexander
To approve the elementary design by Pfluger Architects

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

3rd Open Forum The following community members addressed the Board regarding various subjects: Donna Smith, Debi Scaggs

Closed Meeting The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:35 pm

Open Meeting The Board reconvened into Open Session at 9:09 pm

Motion by Sheryl English and seconded by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez

To approve the resolution identifying the approximately 30.252 acres of real estate in the J. Morton Survey located in Prosper, Texas as surplus property.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting

Motion by Sheryl English and seconded by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez

To approve the resolution identifying the approximately 110.5 acres of real estate in the G. Daniels Survey located in Oak Point, Texas as surplus property.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:26 pm

President

Secretary