

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, January 19, 2010 at 6:05 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 Evers Park Elementary School students.

Presentations/ Recognitions In honor of School Board recognition month the Trustees were presented with tokens of appreciation from the elementary, middle and high school campuses and the Advanced Technology Center.

The Guyer High Football team made school history last year by making it to the District 4A-Division I Quarter Finals. The Wildcats set the bar even higher this season, reaching the state semifinals for a second consecutive time in just the fifth year of existence for the program. Led by Head Football Coach John Walsh, the Wildcats finished the season ranked among the state's top 10 teams by the Associated Press.

The Texas Education Agency recognized 26 schools in the Denton Independent School District for their significant gains on different portions of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills test and other accountability areas with Gold Performance Acknowledgments.

The following schools received at least one Gold Performance Acknowledgement by the TEA for the 2008-09 school year: Guyer High School; Fred Moore High School; Sparks Campus Crownover Middle School; Calhoun Middle School; Harpool Middle School; McMath Middle School; Navo Middle School

Blanton Elementary School; Ginnings Elementary School; Hawk Elementary School; Houston Elementary School; Hodge Elementary School; Lee Elementary School; McNair Elementary School; Nelson Elementary School; Paloma Creek Elementary School; Pecan Creek Elementary School; Providence Elementary School; E.P. Rayzor Elementary School; Newton Rayzor Elementary School; Rivera Elementary School; W.S. Ryan Elementary School; Savannah Elementary School; Stephens Elementary School; and Wilson Elementary School.

The new DHS band uniform was modeled for the board by Javan Stalls, Freshman Saxophonist. The design incorporates the school colors of purple and gold with a slate gray and light gray background. A committee composed of DHS band directors, DHS band students, a DHS Band Booster parent, DHS campus administrators, and DISD central office administrators reviewed three samples marching band uniforms from three Buy Board vendors and selected the Fred J. Miller design for the new marching uniform to be worn in the fall of 2010.

1<sup>st</sup> Open Forum Mark Chew a resident of Denton presented the Board with a petition for a future school or facility to be named after Mrs. Dorothy J. Askew Minter.

PoPo & Lupe Gonzalez School For Young Children Update The Pre-School Task Force presented the Board with an update on the progress of the Pre-School Task Force for the Gonzalez School for Young Children and outline program offerings, parent survey results, transportation options and Extended School Day plans.

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

Driver's Education Report Larry Shaw, Director of Student Services presented the Board with information regarding legislative changes that may affect the current District driver's education program. H.B. # 339 requires students to complete 7 hours of behind-the-wheel instruction in the presence of a person who holds a driver education instructor license or who meets the requirements imposed under Section 521.205, Transportation Code as well as an additional 20 hours of behind-the-wheel instruction, including at least 10 hours of instruction that takes place at night, in the presence of an adult. Due to the new requirements there are many unrecoverable expenses the District incurs and may not be able to continue this program.

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

Update of New Dr. Mike Mattingly provided the Board with information that

Legislation  
Related to  
Textbooks

explains the components of HB4294 as it relates to ordering instructional materials/textbooks.

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

Proposed  
Revisions to  
DEC (Local)  
Compensation &  
Benefits: Leaves  
and Absences

Dennis Stephens, Exec. Director of Human Resources provided the Board of Trustees with an update regarding the recommended changes to Board Policy DEC (Local). These recommendations stem from new regulations from the Department of Labor on the Family and Medical Leave Act which constitute a major overhaul of the previous federal rules. The Department of Labor reorganized the existing regulations, deleted obsolete provisions, made substantive changes, and adopted new military leave provisions.

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

Board Goals

The Board discussed and reviewed the revisions to their goals and will place them on the next agenda for approval.

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 Charles Stafford and seconded by Glenna Harris

To approve (minutes for the December 8, 2009 board meeting; personnel matters and personnel leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of December 31, 2009; Investment Report as of November 30, 2009; Investment Report as of December 31, 2009; approval of Grounds Keeping proposal submitted by Metheny, in the amount of \$601,343.28, for one term of two years beginning July 1, 2010, with the option to extend the term, upon governing body approval, up to two additional terms of two years each; approval of the Interlocal Agreement with the University of North Texas as an agreement which shares instructional resources and Internet for the future of DISD; approval of the Ryan High School Orchestra to travel out-of-state to Heritage Music Festival in Washington, D.C., April 8-11, 2010; approval of travel for Ryan High School Band to travel in-state to the Choice Music Festival in San Antonio, Texas on April 16-18, 2010; approval of the CoServe Electrical Line Easement and Right-Of-Way for Cross Oaks Elementary; and approval of a one year extension of bid #081120-2 submitted by ATMS, AMX and AF Environmental for asbestos abatement due to the renovation projects in the 2007 Bond).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and

voting.

Approval of  
TASB Policy  
Update 86 Local  
Policies-1<sup>st</sup>  
Reading

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Curtis Ramsey

To approve the TASB Policy Update 86 Local Policies on first reading.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Approval of  
High School  
Course Catalog

Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Rudy Rodriguez

To approve the High School Course Catalog and Planning Guide for 2010-2011 with the recommend corrections.

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 9:07 pm

Open Meeting

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 10:44 pm

Superintendent's  
Contract

Motion by Glenna Harris and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve the extension of the Superintendent's contract for another three (3) years beginning July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2013 with a salary of \$235,000.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Upon receiving the extended contract and salary increase, Dr. Braswell issued a statement that he will be donating the \$10,604 salary increase to the Denton Public School Foundation.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 11:14 pm

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President

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Secretary