

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, February 28, 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 Borman Elementary students.

Presentations/ Recognitions: Ten Denton ISD musicians earned All-State honors for the 2022-2023 school year by the Texas Music Educators Association (TMEA). TMEA is an organization of more than 12,000 school music educators dedicated to promoting excellence in music education.

These students were chosen for this prestigious honor through a competitive process held across the state at the district, region and area levels. This process begins throughout the state in auditions hosted by 33 TMEA regions. Individual musicians perform selected music for a panel of judges who rank each instrument or voice part. From this ranking, a select group of musicians advance from their region to compete against musicians from areas in eight TMEA Area competitions. The highest-ranking musicians judged at the area competition qualify to perform in a TMEA All-State music group. The Denton ISD students named to the highest musical honor in Texas include the following:

Braswell High School - Band

Arianna Shepherd, All-State Jazz Ensemble, 3rd Chair Trumpet

Denton High School - Band

Caleb Harold, All-State Sinfonietta Orchestra, 6th Chair French Horn

Leo Illari, All-State Sinfonietta Orchestra, 2nd Chair Trombone

Guyer High School - Orchestra

Celine Cho, All-State Philharmonic Orchestra, Violin 1

Audrey Lee, All-State Philharmonic Orchestra, Violin 1

Guyer High School - Band

Cale Golden, All-State 6A Concert Band, 5th Chair Bb Clarinet

Guyer High School - Choir

Aiden Daniel, All-State Tenor Bass Choir, Bass 1

Maxwell Douglas, All-State Mixed Choir, Bass 2

Ryan High School - Choir

Favour Ayeni, All-State Treble Choir, Alto 2

Jack Bowman, All-State Tenor Bass Choir, Tenor 2

Thespian Award

Denton ISD has earned the Texas Thespians Premiere Communities for Theatre Education Award – a distinction that recognizes and honors school districts that provide theatre departments with the resources to achieve above standard. Only nine districts in Texas were awarded this prestigious honor out of the 1,026 eligible districts in the state.

To qualify for the Texas Thespians Premiere Communities for Theatre Education Award, Denton ISD answered detailed questions about curriculum, scheduling standards, class sizes, facilities, theatre safety, technical equipment, production elements, overall support for the theatre program and Thespian troupe involvement. Responses were verified and reviewed by Texas Theatre Education specialists.

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.

Community Spotlight

Through a partnership with Texas Woman’s University, professors provide support to Denton ISD through in-service to teachers of record in dual language classrooms at 12 schools. They also support faculty members, administrators, and support staff at Denton High and Braswell High schools to effectively educate English language learners (ELLs).

Since 2014, TWU has provided a pathway for Denton ISD Education & Training graduates to complete their educational preparation and return to the district to teach through TEACH Denton. The Consortium of State Organizations for Texas Teacher Education (CSOTTE) awarded TWU & Denton ISD the Exemplary Partnership Award.

Because of the reciprocity and shared values of our organizations, Denton ISD hires more graduates of TWU than any other school district in the state of Texas.

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

1 st Open Forum	The following community members addressed the Board, Lenry Von Zyl, Debbie Scaggs, Donna Smith and Lori Tays
Discussion of 2023-2024 Budget Calendar	Jennifer Stewart, Executive Director of Budgeting provided the Board with an overview of the 2023-2024 Budget calendar and Budget priorities.
Discussion of Pedi Place Partnership	<p>Nicole Goodman, Director of Health Services presented an overview of the proposed partnership with Pedi-Place Medical Clinic. Ms. Goodman provided information about the Pedi Place clinic, which provides quality care to students who currently lack access to care and will allow students to return to class more quickly. This will also decrease the number of days absent due to treatable or preventable illness.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Discussion of Mid-Year Performance Update	<p>Dr. Mike Mattingly presented the Mid-Year Performance Report that is required by law and will share evidence of student learning data for the mid-year period of school year 2022-23. The data is based on formulative assessments given to students from PK through 9th grade. Cecilia Holt, Director of Early Childhood presented the Pre-K report card for 4-year-olds. Sandy Brown, Director of Elementary Curriculum presented data for the K-5 grades for primary numeracy, math, and language arts. Dr. Lisa Thibodeaux presented the data for secondary students regarding math, reading, and writing.</p>
Discussion of 2023-2024 Open & Closed Campuses	<p>Dr. Leslie Guajardo, Director of Student Support Services presented a summary of Denton ISD’s functional capacity and projected enrollment data for the 2023-2024 school year. This report will also identify current Denton ISD campuses that are open or closed to intra-district and inter-district transfers.</p> <p>The objective is to routinely analyze and monitor Denton ISD’s functional capacity, projected enrollment data, staffing ratios, programming needs, and other critical factors that may arise, and allow this data to guide the process for intra-district and inter-district transfers. The current designed capacity number is 740 for elementary schools, 1000 for middle schools, 2400 for DHS and RHS, and 2800 for BHS and GHS. According to board policy, an elementary building shall be closed to transfers when campus enrollment reaches 85% of the calculated maximum capacity. A secondary building shall be closed to transfers when campus enrollment reaches 90% of the calculated maximum capacity.</p> <p>Based on these projected numbers, the following elementary schools will be open for transfers: Braswell Zone- Bell, Paloma Creek; Denton Zone- Alexander, Borman, Houston, Newton Rayzor, and WS Ryan; Guyer Zone- Adkins, Blanton, EP Rayzor, McNair, and Nelson; Ryan Zone- Ginnings, and Stephens.</p>

The following middle schools will be open for transfers:
Braswell Zone- Cheek, Navo, and Rodriguez;
Denton Zone- Calhoun and McMath;
Guyer Zone- Crownover, Harpool;
Ryan Zone- Myers.

Bond Progress
Report

This item will be rescheduled to a future board meeting.

Quarterly Growth
Report 4th Qtr. 2022

Rocky Gardner, Zonda Demographics provided the Board of Trustees with a general DFW housing market, economic indicators, Denton I.S.D. residential activity and enrollment projections as of the 4th Quarter 2022 and its impact to the overall growth of the Denton ISD. In 2022, Denton ISD new home annual starts & closings remained strong in comparison to DFW overall. Average new & existing home prices in Denton ISD have more than doubled. The district has 66 actively building subdivisions with over 4,000 lots available to build on and Denton ISD has 31 future subdivisions with nearly 26,100 lots in the planning stages. Groundwork is underway on more than 3,000 lots within 18 subdivisions and Denton ISD is forecasted to enroll more than 36,600 students by 2027/28 and more than 42,400 by 2032/33.

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

Construction
Report

Brandon Boyter, Executive Director of Construction presented the current construction projects underway.

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

2022-2023 4th
Reporter Period
Attendance Report

Dr. Wilson reviewed the current 4th Quarter ADA summary on enrollment which is 94.36%. 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.

Intruder Detection
Audit Report
Update

The purpose of this report is to provide an update to the recent Intruder Detection Audits conducted by the Texas School Safety Center. Four campuses have been reviewed and all corrective actions, if any, have been completed at this time.

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 Patsy Sosa-Sanchez

To approve (the minutes of the February 14, 2023, board meeting, personnel matters, leaves, and absences; Investment Report as of January 31, 2023;

approval of RFP #2209-14 Fundraising Supplies & Services be awarded to all responding vendors; approval of RFP #2209-15 Food, General Grocery Items & Catering Services be awarded to all responding vendors that submitted a complete RFP response and met the scope of the RFP. The term of this contract, upon governing body approval, shall be for a period from date of award through August 31, 2023, with an option to auto-renew for four (4) one-year extensions. The final expiration date would be August 31, 2027; approval of the quote from Lone Star Furnishings in the amount of \$181,098.27 for the furniture needed for the collaboration areas at Cheek Middle School; approval of the quote from Caldwell Country Chevrolet in the amount of \$156,670.00 for the purchase of three (3) vehicles; approval of the monthly compliance reports for January 2023; approval of AWSYC Head Start Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment, Selection (ERSEA) Policy & Procedures; approval of AWSYC Head Start Mitigation Policy and the AWSYC Head Start FY23 Self Assessment).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

- 3rd Open Forum Kristine Bray addressed the Board about the GoZone transportation.
- Closed Meeting The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:23 pm
- Open Meeting The Board reconvened into Open Session at 9:00 pm
- Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:06 pm

President

Secretary