

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 21, 2014 at 6:02 PM. The meeting was called to order by vice-president Glenna Harris who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Alexander, Burns, Harris, Price, Rodriguez, and Smith

Board Members Absent: Stafford

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Wilson, Bostic, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Valenta, Sargent, Hicks, 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 LA Nelson Elementary school students.

Presentations/ Recognitions One Denton High senior was named a National Merit Semifinalist while 21 others have received national honors in this nationwide scholars program.

Fifteen Denton ISD seniors also were recognized as commended scholars by the 2014 National Merit Scholarship Program.

Denton ISD had four students receive recognition as National Hispanic Scholars. The National Hispanic Recognition Program recognizes students who are at least one-quarter Hispanic or Latino and are among the top 5,000 highest scoring individuals on the PSAT/NMSQT test.

Denton ISD had two students honored by the National Achievement Scholarship program. Scholars who annually score in the top three percent of more than 160,000 Black Americans who request consideration in the National Achievement Program.

AP Scholar students were also recognized. AP Scholars are those who received scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams.

The Navo Middle School Varsity Treble Choir has been chosen as one of four Middle School/Junior High School choirs to perform at the 2014 TMEA convention. The Navo Choir students performed and sang segments that they will perform at the TMEA conference.

The Texas Association of School Boards designates January as School Board Recognition Month. Its goal is to build awareness of the crucial role the board of trustees play in our community and other school districts across the state. This year's theme is "*Heart and Hands for Kids!*" Students from the ATC Advertising Design class presented the board with a book of appreciation and Navo Choir students presented the Trustees with a gift basket of cards and gifts of appreciation from each of the DISD campuses.

1<sup>st</sup> Open Forum Pat Cheek – addressed the board to request the board to name Elementary #22 after Dorothy Adkins.

Ed Soph –addressed the board and their commitment to energy conservation and encouraged them to look at solar energy use.

Jason Shipley & Dawn Payettee – UEA representative wanted to thank them for their commitment, dedication and hard work to the district and students. They also presented the board with cards from their students.

Stephen Stone –addressed the board regarding naming a future facility after his father Howard Stone a former TWU professor and educator.

Scott Daniels – addressed the board about the proposed rezoning for Teasley Harbor addition. Mr. Daniels felt this area has been negatively impacted due to rezoning several times. He proposed three options 1) to stay at Blanton or go to 2) Hawk then onto Crownover or 3) go to McNair and then to Harpool Middle School.

Discussion of Attendance Boundaries Robert Bostic, Asst. Superintendent for Academic Programs presented the proposed elementary rezoning plan. There were two public meetings in December one at Crownover Middle School and Harpool Middle School.

Phase I rezoning plan would impact EP Rayzor, Blanton and McNair. The purpose of rezoning is to relieve potential overcrowding and plan for new growth based on the developer and district's growth projections. To balance the number of students between the existing schools that surround the Lantana development and Elementary School #22 and allow space for children qualifying for special programs to be served in schools closer to their residence.

Phase II rezoning plan would impact Hawk and Pecan Creek Elementary. The newly proposed boundaries for Hawk and Pecan Creek have students on the west side of I-35/Post Oak Rd attend Hawk Elementary and students on the east side of I-35 and Lakeview Blvd. attend Pecan Creek.

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

Discussion of High School #4 Planning

Leesa Vardeman of VLK Architects presented the Board with the design development of High School #4. Ms. Vardeman highlighted key features of High School No. 4. and said the building will be as highly eco-friendly and sustainable. It includes a timeless design with modern features, such as robust wireless access, sound control to allow multiple activities at once, prominent entrances, indoor/outdoor spaces with flexible walls, flexible classroom spaces and up-to-date safety features. The design will allow for expansion on all sides of the school to accommodate the continued growth to more than 3,000 students. The school will maintain its sustainability with planned areas for geothermal wells, expanded use of natural light and water collection areas.

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

Discussion of Teacher Shortage Areas

Dr. Richard Valenta, Asst. Superintendent for Human Resources presented the Board with information about how DISD can maintain a diverse workforce, identifying and encouraging current students to go into the field of education. Dr. Valenta also addressed how the district is addressing recruiting teachers where there are shortages in specific subject areas.

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

Discussion of High School Course Catalog

Vicki Christenson presented the Board with an in-depth report on the High School Course Catalog and planning guide.

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

2007 Bond Progress Report

Teresa Starrett presented the Board with the last Bond Committee meeting overview.

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

Growth Report

Bob Templeton with Templeton Demographics presented the Board with the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter growth report.

Texas added one new job for every three people from 2000 to 2013, the U.S. added one job for every seven people, and Texas outperformed the U.S. job creation rate by more than two-to-one. Texas' unemployment rate is 6.5% and below the national average of 7.6%. DFW builders put up 5,861 new homes in the last quarter, a 27 percent increase year over year. Seven out of the top 10 job growth cities are in Texas.

Foreclosures are no longer putting pressure on the housing market. Housing starts for 2013 year-to-date are almost equal to last year's total and will likely finish above 1,200 for the year, up 21% over 2012.

The current growth rate, coupled with slowing birth rates nationwide, has the district growing at an average of 2.5 percent during the next five years. Denton ISD is projected to surpass 30,500 students by the 2019-20 and will add more than 8,300 students in the next 10 years.

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

Head Start 2012-2013 Program Information Report      Angela Hellman, Ann Windle Principal provided the Board with a snapshot of the Head Start Program eligibility and enrollment from the beginning of the year to the end of the year. The 2012-2013 Program information is required to be submitted annually to the Office of Head Start.

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Open Forum      No one wished to

Consent Agenda      Motion by Rudy Rodriguez and seconded by Barbara Burns

To approve (the minutes for the May 22, 2013 Canvass, November 14, 2013 Bond Canvass and the December 20, 2013 board meetings; Personnel matters, leaves and absences; approval of the Investment Report as of November 30, 2013; approval of Budget Amendments as of December 31, 2013; approval AWSYC Head Start Monthly Compliance Reports; approval of extension of RFP #101102-F HON Furnishings; Resolution for Missed Inclement Weather Days; approval of Denton High School yearbook/newspaper staff to travel to San Diego, CA, April 9-13, 2014, for the Journalism Education Association National Conference and competition; approval of DHS Choir to travel out-of-state to Disney World, Universal Studios in Orlando, Florida, March 5-11, 2014; approval of the Harpool Middle School Band and Orchestra to travel in-state to the Director's Choice Music Festival/Schlitterbahn Water Park in Houston/Galveston, Texas, May 9-10, 2014; approval of the Ryan High School Orchestra to travel out-of-state to the Cavalcade of Music Festival in Colorado Springs/Denver, Colorado, April 3-7, 2014; approval of the Denton High School Spanish Club travel to Spain March 7-14, 2014; approval of waiver of penalty and interest for account number 302220DEN as recommended by the District's Property Tax Attorney; approval of Resolution #249174DEN for resale of property acquired due to delinquent property taxes - Denton County, Texas; and approval of waiver of penalty and interest for account number 613833DEN as recommended by the District's Property Tax Attorney.

As part of the approval of the consent agenda the following personnel actions were approved:

Joey Florence, athletic director and football coach for Ryan High, has been named the new athletic director. He is replacing Ken Purcell, who retired in December.

Emily McLarty, who has served as principal of Pecan Creek Elementary for almost four years, has been named principal of Denton ISD's newest elementary school, which will open in August in Lantana.

Lacey Rainey, who currently is the assistant superintendent for curriculum, instruction and assessment for Community Independent School District, has been named principal of Pecan Creek Elementary.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

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| Consider                   | Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Jim Alexander  |
| Approval of                |  |
| TASB Update 98             | To approve Update 98 Local Policies on first reading as submitted.   |
| Local Policies –           |  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading    | The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.   |
| Consider                   | Motion by Barbara Burns and seconded by Mia Price  |
| Approval of the            |  |
| Texas High                 | To approve the Texas High Performance Schools Consortium Resolution  |
| Performance                |  |
| Schools                    | The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.   |
| Consortium                 |  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Open Forum | Sherry Dann - Meredian subdivision requested that they be kept within the EP Rayzor attendance zone since this is within walking distance for their children. Elementary #22 would be over 2 miles away. |
| Closed Meeting             | The Board convened into Closed Session at 10:42 pm   |
| Open Meeting               | The Board reconvened into Open Session at 12:39 am   |
| Adjournment:               | The meeting adjourned at 12:45 am  |

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President

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Secretary