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Minutes of the December 17, 2007 Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on December 17, 2007 at 6:33 p.m. in the Board Room of the Coppell Independent School District, Vonita White Administration Building, 200 S. Denton Tap Road, Coppell, Texas. The meeting was called to order by President Kathie Gautille.

Members present: Kathie Gautille, President; Bennett Ratliff, Vice President; Cindy Warner, Secretary; Susie Kemp; Scott Orr; David Apple and Anthony Hill. A quorum was present.

Staff present: Dr. Jeff N. Turner, Superintendent; Kay Ryon, Assistant Secretary; Kelly Penny; Sid Grant; Judy Denman; Sherrye Dotson; Michelle King; Linda Cook; Jill Haltom; Tabitha Branum; Chad Branum; Todd Kettler; Tamerah Ringo; Tracey Wallace; Monica Uphoff; Jean Boyd; Debra Hart; Kayla Caraway; Mechelle Bryson; and Barbara Sabedra

At 6:33 p.m. President Gautille declared the Board in closed session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters).

At 7:30 p.m. President Gautille declared the Board in Open Session.

The invocation was given by Scott Orr.

AWARDS

Seema Patel, a fifth grade student at Cottonwood Creek, was honored as this year's winner of the Coppell ISD holiday greeting card design competition. Seema's art teacher is Ms. Lynda Harris.

The following members of the District Champion Varsity Volleyball Team were recognized: **Kayla Kirk, Laurie McNamara, Elaine Minden, Clarissa Waldman, and Chelsea Walker.** **Jordan Raines** was honored for being named Most Valuable Player for the All-District Volleyball team and for being selected for the All-State Volleyball team and the All-Star Volleyball team.

AEIS REPORT

Dr. Monica Uphoff, Director of Assessment, presented the AEIS report. Opportunity for public comment was provided. (No one came forward to comment.)

OPEN FORUM

No one signed up to address the Board of Trustees during Open Forum.

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS

Board President - President Gautille gave an interim report on continuing education credit as required under House Bill 2563. Credit hours for the September NTAASB meeting have not been recorded by TASB. At this time, David Apple and Bennett Ratliff have not met the Tier Three training requirements, and all Board members will need Tier Two training prior to the February Board meeting in order to fulfill the training requirements.

Superintendent - The Superintendent discussed the recent tour of New Tech High Schools in the Napa and Sacramento areas, and Board Secretary Cindy Warner shared her observations of the schools, students, and project based learning style. Tabitha Branum, Principal of the New Tech High School in Coppell, stated that more meetings are scheduled after the holidays to provide information on the New Tech High School.

Accelerated Reading Instruction/Accelerated Math Instruction - A report was given by Jean Boyd, Director of Elementary Curriculum; Michelle King, Director of Mathematics; and Jill Haltom, Director of Social Studies and Language Arts. (See attached report.)

Read 180 Update – Jill Haltom and Jean Boyd gave an update on the Read 180 program.

Middle School Literacy Coaches Update – An update was given by Jill Haltom, and a video prepared by the literacy coaches (Carolyn Wooldridge, Julie Carpenter, and Linda Mowlavi) was shown.

Redistricting Update – Sid Grant discussed the latest modifications to the redistricting plans that are being considered by the Board of Trustees. “Green Plan M” has been posted to the CISD website, and different scenarios for transfers and grandfathering will be explored. Opportunity for public input will take place during the Open Forum portion of the January Board meeting.

CONSENT

Scott Orr made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Approve minutes of November 26, 2007 and December 3, 2007 meetings
2. Approve Financial report for November 2007
3. Approve budget amendments for 2007-2008
4. Approve Advantage Resource Services, Alphagraphics of Carrollton #376, and Red Roof Printing as the awarded vendors to obtain quotes for the Coppell ISD Printing Services RFP #0705

Susie Kemp seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

ACTION

Anthony Hill made a motion to adopt the financial report for the year ending August 31, 2007. David Apple seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Sid Grant has received four proposals for energy consulting services, but there has not been sufficient time for review. Therefore, Item C (awarding the best value vendor applicant for energy consulting services RFP #0707) was tabled, and the Board will take action at the January meeting.

Bennett Ratliff made a motion to approve the resignations for CISD professional personnel as recommended by the Superintendent. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Cindy Warner made a motion to approve new hires for CISD professional personnel as recommended by the Superintendent. Scott Orr seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Kathie Gautille, Board President

Cindy Warner, Secretary