

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 12, 2019 at 6:01 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Barbara Burns who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Alexander, Burns, Chadwick, Martinez, Price, Smith and Stafford

Board Members Absent: Jim Alexander

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Wilson, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Valenta, Lopez, Perkins, O'Bara, Stevenson and Zwahr

Others: Marshall Reid, *Denton Record Chronicle*; DEA; Randy Stout, Attorney; citizens, staff, and students.

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

Presentations/ Recognitions The Foundation for Music Education's "Mark of Excellence" project seeks to recognize and award outstanding achievement in performance by high school and middle school bands, choirs and orchestras. The project gathers entries from throughout the United States. The top 25 percent of entrants are recognized as National Winners, with the second 25 percent named as Commended Winners.

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 who partner with districts, making a difference in the lives of local public-school students. Five years ago, the University of North Texas Division of Student Affairs reached out to our district as part of the planning for the celebration of the university's 125th anniversary. The "Future Eagles" campus visit was born out of a brainstorming session and to date, more than 11,000 Denton ISD students have participated in the program.

1st Open Forum No one wished to speak.

Discussion of Annual Financial Audit Report for Year Ending June 30, 2019 Carl Deaton from the audit firm Hankins, Eastup, Deaton, Tonn & Seay, P.C.A conducted the District's financial audit. The financial audit is required annually for each school district and is to be made on an organization-wide basis, including all fund types and account groups that are the accounting responsibility of the school district. The audit must be

approved and submitted to the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas and the Division of School Financial Audits of TEA within 150 days following the end of the fiscal year. Mr. Deaton stated the report showed no errors and recommended no changes to the district's business practices.

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

Discussion of
School Calendar
2020-2021

Susannah O'Bara, Area Superintendent provided the Board with a draft calendar for the 2020-2021 school year. Current state law requires that school not begin prior to the fourth Monday in August. With acceptance of the proposed DOI plan, Denton ISD may pursue an exception to this legal requirement. Based upon current survey and feedback from EIC, Principals, City Council PTA and Executive Cabinet, the following considerations were made in developing these calendars:

- HB 2610 requirement of 75,600 instructional minutes.
- Ending the first semester prior to Winter Break.
- Equalizing the instructional days/minutes in each semester to the greatest extent possible.
- Maintaining a consistent holiday schedule with prior years and alignment of spring break with local universities.
- Potential waiver minutes of 2100 for professional development.
- Maximizing use of instructional minutes prior to state testing.
- Consideration of campuses being used as polling sites for the November 2020 Presidential Election.

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

Discussion of
Advanced
Academics-Dual
Credit Offerings

The dual credit program creates partnerships between the district and universities and colleges to promote college and career readiness. Over the past two years, dual credit opportunities and enrollment have expanded at each high school. The dual credit program includes university and college partnerships with Denton ISD.

- Embedded Model-Texas Woman's University
- Blended Model-University of North Texas
- Online Model-North Central Texas College

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

Discussion of
TASB Update
114 & EIA
(Local)

Update 114 encompasses changes in law from the 86th Legislative Session that have an immediate effect on the governance and management of the district.

The changes to local policies address the following topics:

- Public participation at board meetings
- Investments and purchasing
- Security issues, including emergency operations plans and security personnel
- Cybersecurity
- Financial exigency
- Weapons in district parking areas
- Gifted and talented programs
- Partnership charters
- Student physical examinations
- Crisis intervention, including threat assessments and trauma-informed care
- Student records
- Requests for public information

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

Required Testing
Report

Lyneille Meza, Director of Data & Assessment provided the Board of Trustees a report on required testing in Denton ISD. Student assessment is required to measure learning, determine readiness for curriculum, and entry into special programs.

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

Special
Education
Programs &
Services

Debbie Roybal, Executive of Special Education provided the Board of Trustees with the special education services and programs provided to the 3,686+ students with disabilities in Denton ISD. As required, Denton ISD provides a continuum of services which are provided by both certified staff as well as by trained paraprofessionals. Services are provided in the general education classroom where students have access to the general education curriculum as well as to non-disabled peers. Or students are provided services in a self-contained, specialized programs. Specialized programs are available in each of the four zone to prevent students from having to travel long distances for services. If determined necessary, related services are provided to students to ensure they are benefiting from instructional services.

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

2nd Open Forum

No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve (the minutes for the October 22, 2019 Board meeting; personnel matters, leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of October 31, 2019; Interlocal Agreement between the ESC 19 Allied States Purchasing Cooperative; approval to extend the RFP #1812-17 Fine Arts Supplies, Equipment, Repair and Services award for a term of one (1) year beginning January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020; RFP #1911-16 Print & Sign Services, Supplies, Equipment, Repairs proposal be awarded to the twenty responding vendors that submitted a complete RFP response. This award is for a term beginning the date of award through October 31, 2020. Upon governing body approval; the option to renew for two (2) additional one-year terms would extend the award through October 31, 2022; Approval of Head Start Monthly Compliance Reports for August and September 2019; approval of Head Start Program Information and Annual Report 2018-2019; approval of all four quotes and the Statement of Work from Dell Inc. for Phase 2a of the Districtwide technology equipment refresh purchase totaling \$532,089.00 be approved. The quote from Dell Computer equals \$517,075.00. The quote from Global Asset equals \$1,384.00. The quote from Pathway Communications equals \$1,100.00. The quote from Apple equals \$12,530.00; Approval of Annual Investment Performance Report; Approve Resolution of the Board of Trustees acknowledging the review of the Investment Policy as required by the Public Funds Investment Act, naming the Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services/Chief Financial Officer, the Executive Director of Financial Operations, and the Director of Finance as Investment Officers for the District).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

With the approval of the Consent Agenda Dr. Wilson announced Deron Robinson, general counsel at Allen ISD, has been named Denton Independent School District's general counsel and legal advisor beginning in 2020.

Consider
Approval of
Financial Audit

Motion by Doug Chadwick and seconded by Dorothy Martinez

To approve the Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2019.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
Certified Tax
Roll

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Dorothy Martinez

To approve the 2019 Certified Tax Roll with a combined levy of \$286,482,347.77.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

3rd Open Forum

No one wished to speak

Closed Meeting The Board convened into Closed Session at 7:59 pm

Open Meeting The Board reconvened into Open Session at 10:30 pm

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:42 pm

President

Secretary