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Minutes of the October 17, 2022 - Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on October 17, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Vonita White Administration Building, 200 S. Denton Tap Road, Coppell, Texas. The meeting was called to order by President David Caviness at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: David Caviness, President; Anthony Hill, Vice President; Nichole Bentley, Secretary; Leigh Walker; Manish Sethi and Tracy Fisher.

Trustee Dr. Neena Biswas was not present.

A quorum was present.

Notice of this meeting was posted on October 14, 2022, at 3:00 p.m.

Staff present: Brad Hunt, Superintendent; Carol Snowden, Administrative Assistant; Diana Sircar; Kristen Eichel; Amanda Simpson; Dr. Angie Brooks; Robyn Webb, Mary Kemper; Angela Brown; Dr. Dennis Womack, Naveen Boppana, and James Holloway.

Guest present: Cindy Powell, Cooperative Strategies

DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS AND UPDATES

- Hindu Heritage Month
- National Merit Semifinalist for 2022-2023
- Pinwheels for Peace at Mockingbird Elementary School
- Texas Education Human Resources Day
- Walk to School Day
- SMU Institute for Leadership Impact 2022-2023 District Leadership Fellows
- CHS Eco Club Sweet Potato Harvest
- I Heart CISD

AWARDS

- Richard J. Lee Elementary School Selected as Apple Distinguished School
- CHS Debate Students Selected for team Texas Debate Team

Trustee Manish Sethi gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN FORUM

The following individuals spoke during the Open Forum section of the meeting:

- Kim Kelley – Introduction of Pepel Werk
- Kelly Fishpaw – Resignation of Tracy Fisher

PUBLIC HEARING

A public meeting was held to discuss the Coppell Independent School District's state financial accountability rating. Diana Sircar, Chief Financial Officer, presented information regarding the school FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) rating for 2020-2021. Coppell ISD received an "A" Superior rating with the maximum points of 100 for their FIRST 2020-2021 results.

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No citizen expressed an interest in speaking regarding the rating and financial performance of the district .

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS - SUPERINTENDENT

Cindy Powell (Cooperative Strategies) gave a Bond Steering Committee update. An ESSER funds update was provided Robyn Webb (Director of Federal Programs) and Mary Kemper (Executive Director of Instructional Leadership).

CONSENT

Anthony Hill made a motion to approve the following consent agenda as presented:

1. Approve minutes of the Public Hearing and regular Board meeting held on September 26, 2022, and special meeting held on October 6, 2022
2. Approve monthly budget amendments for October 2022
3. Approve Financial Report for September 2022
4. Adopt resolution recommitting Operating Fund Balance
5. Approve the Superintendents recommendations for the employment of professional personnel

Nichole Bentley seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

ACTION ITEMS

David Caviness motioned to adopt the Coppell ISD Legislative Priorities agenda as presented. Anthony Hill seconded the motion and the motion passed 6-0.

A motion to accept the resignation of Trustee Tracy Fisher effective October 23, 2022, was made by Nichole Bentley and seconded by Manish Sethi. The motion passed 6-0.

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS – BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- School Health Advocacy Council (SHAC) Meeting – Manish Sethi
- PTO Presidents Meeting and Coppell Chamber of Commerce Education Committee – Anthony Hill

CLOSED SESSION

At 8:20 p.m., President Caviness declared the Board in Closed Session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.071 – Attorney Consultation and Section 551.074 - Personnel.

OPEN SESSION

President Caviness declared the Board in Open Session at 9:57 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Nichole Bentley and seconded by Manish Sethi. The motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:58 p.m.

David Caviness, Board Vice President

Nichole Bentley, Secretary