

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, December 10, 2019 at 6:00 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, and Stafford

Board Members Absent: Smith

Arrived Late: Stafford

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Wilson, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Valenta, Perkins, Rainey, O’Bara, Russell, 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 WS Ryan Elementary School students.

Presentations/ Recognitions 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.

For more than a decade, the University of North Texas Athletics has hosted more than 20,000 Denton ISD students during various sporting events and touched the lives of even more students through philanthropic efforts. Annually, fourth and fifth graders from local schools are given the opportunity to attend a basketball game at UNT with many experiencing a college athletic event for the first time. Denton ISD students perform the national anthem, participate in halftime games and often get the opportunity to interact with student-athletes from other sports.

In addition, UNT Athletics, in partnership with Conference USA and Michaels, has awarded \$40,000 over four years in gift cards to our fine arts teachers on all grade levels. For many of our teachers, this gift doubles the size of their annual budget and allows them to provide additional supplies directly benefit our students.

Each spring, UNT Athletics partners with our middle schools for the National Girls and Women in Sports Day, bringing female middle school athletes to UNT for workshops and lessons from current college student-athletes. These, and many others, the reason why UNT Athletics was chosen for the December Community Spotlight.

Two Denton ISD graduates and local restaurant owners, John Williams (Oak Street) and Corey Bobbitt (Komodo Loco), could not stand the thought of students not being able to pay off their school lunch balances, risking a student's ability to select their meal of choice. In 2018, they created a one-day food festival in an effort to solve the shortage. An afternoon of fun and \$15 tickets has now reaped almost \$8,100 which is now clearing student's balances and helping hundreds of students across the district.

In November Kelley McGee, art teacher at Borman Elementary, was named the Texas Art Education Association's Elementary Art Teacher of the Year. The state award is given to an educator who has significantly contributed to the association and to art education on the local, state and national levels. The District is proud to feature her in this month's Board Spotlight.

1st Open Forum

Willie Hudspeth addressed the Board and was pleased with the pledge students, and Kelly McGee's honor. He also addressed the Board about the Gas wells as well as there has not been an African American head football coach in Denton ISD.

Claudette Fette addressed the Board about trees, a Live Oak trees, a Red Oak tree that was cut down at Woodrow Wilson for parking. She was devastated to see these trees cut down.

Susan Lender provided the Board with written information. She prefers Woodrow Wilson teachers to continue to park on Emerson and to not use Avondale Park as a parking lot.

Discussion of Annual Safety & Security Update

Dr. Jeff Russell, Area Superintendent presented a review and update of district safety and security procedures and their alignment with Senate Bill 11. Since 2005, all Denton ISD buildings have been on a rotation for safety audits. The audits were developed by the Texas School Safety Center. As a byproduct of these audits, improvements have been made in the overall safety of campuses and the district. Improvements due to the District Audits are:

- Improved campus Emergency Operation Plans
- Increased interaction with local law enforcement
- Improved campus visitor procedures
- Numbering of all exterior doors inside and outside
- Card access systems at all campuses
- Increased camera coverage

- Increased secured entrances to early childhood, elementary, middle school and high school campuses
- Increased emphasis on lockdown drills; standardizing procedure district-wide

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

Discussion of Projector Refresh

Ross Garrison, Director of Instructional Technology provided the Board of Trustees the process the Denton ISD Classroom Display and A/V Refresh committee used to evaluate various solutions in pursuit of fulfilling the projector initiative within the 2018 bond package.

The Denton ISD Classroom Display and A/V Refresh committee shared findings from pilot classrooms that informed the committee's decisions to move forward with a recommendation to purchase interactive panels, rather than interactive projectors. They also compared the features and functionality of interactive panels and interactive projectors. The committee purchasing Promethean ActivPanels for the targeted instructional spaces and some additional non-interactive Epson projectors that will go in spaces where an Interactive panel cannot be hung.

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

Discussion of Playground Replacement Cycle Phase

Paul Address, Executive Director of Operations provided the Board of Trustees with an overview of the condition of playground equipment at the elementary schools within Denton ISD. Paul reviewed equipment condition, surfacing options Pros & Cons and the replacement cycle.

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

Bond Progress Report

Sheryl English presented the Board with an overview of the Bond Progress Committee meeting from the November 6, 2019 meeting.

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

Discussion of Construction Report

Garry Ryan, Executive Manager of Construction, Planning & Growth provided the Board of Trustees with updated photos from the various construction projects. Garry presented Woodrow Wilson Elementary, Strickland Middle School and DHS replacement campus progress. At Strickland they have completed the underground utility work including water, sewer and gas lines. They have also completed the paving for the East fire lane and started the exterior ICF walls for the storm shelter and classroom wing as well as the CMU elevator shaft wall for the new elevator. Upcoming projects will be to complete the exterior ICF walls for the storm shelter and classroom wing and the elevator shaft walls. Steel erection for

the storm shelter and classroom wing will begin as well as pouring concrete for the level 2 storm shelter roof, window installation and interior framing for the storm shelter and classroom wing.

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Denton ISD
Growth Report
3rd Quarter

Rocky Gardner, Templeton Demographics presented the 3rd Quarter Growth Report. Denton has a 2.1 % rate of unemployment with a job growth of 2.7% and annual home starts with 33,675. Since 2010, the average new home price in Denton ISD has increased by \$107,838, or 51%. The average existing home price within the district has increased by 62%, or roughly \$109,808 since 2010. Denton ISD started more than 742 homes in 3Q19, the most starts in the past ten years and the district closed approx. 1,770 homes so far in 2019, putting them on pace to close more than 2,300 homes by the end of the year. The district has more than 4,500 lots available to build on within Denton ISD there are more than 30,000 planned future lots. Within Denton ISD there are roughly 4,180 future multi-family units in the planning stages. Denton ISD is expected to enroll nearly 34,200 students by 2024-25 and more than 37,800 students by 2029-30.

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

2019-2020 2nd
Period
Attendance
Report

Angela Ricks, Director of Support Services provided this report to provide campus and district ADA percentages for the 2nd Reporting Period of the 2019-2020 school year (September 23, 2019 through November 1, 2019) and to compare this data to prior years. There are 28 instructional days in this 2nd Reporting Period. The district ADA % for 2019-2020 Reporting Period 2 is 96.51%, this is a very slight decrease from last school year when the ADA % was 96.64%. Adkins had the highest ADA percentage for elementary campuses in Denton ISD at 97.65%. Harpool had the highest ADA percentage for middle school campuses in Denton ISD at 97.66%. Guyer had the highest ADA percentage for high school campuses in Denton ISD at 97.0%.

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

2nd Open Forum

No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Dorothy Martinez and seconded by Jim Alexander

To approve (the minutes for the November 12, 2019 Board meeting; personnel matters, leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of October 31, 2019; Investment Report as of October 31, 2019; Approval of the Interlocal Bid Participation Agreement between the Region 10 Multi-Region Purchasing Cooperative and the Denton Independent School District for the purchase of commodities for the term effective July 1, 2020 through June 30,

2021; Approval of the Interlocal Membership Agreement between the Region 10 Multi-Region Purchasing Cooperative and the Denton Independent School District; Approval of the affiliation agreement between the Denton Independent School District (Denton ISD), for and on behalf of the Advanced Technology Complex Practicum of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security Program; Approval of the TEA Class Size Waiver as submitted; Interlocal Agreement between Denton ISD and City of Denton facilitating the use of McMath Middle School for after school hours activities; approval of travel for Denton High School French Department to Travel to Paris, Normandie, Bretagne in France March 7, 2020 - March 15, 2020; approval of travel for Ryan High School French Department to travel to Montreal, Quebec City and Beaupre Coast in Canada June 2, 2020 - June 7, 2020; approval of travel for Ryan High School Spanish Department to travel to Peru to learn about culture and language March 7, 2020 - March 16, 2020; approval of monthly compliance reports for October 2019; and approval of Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for a School Resource Investigator between the County and the District whereas the County provides Denton ISD with one (1) certified police officer to serve as school resource officer (SRO) assigned to Harpool Middle School and supporting Adkins, E.P. Razor, and Blanton Elementary schools).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting. With the passing of the Consent Agenda Dr. Scott Niven was named Chief Financial Officer replacing the retiring Debbie Monschke, Assistant Superintendent.

Consider
Approval of
Denton Central
Appraisal
District (DCAD)
Board of
Director
Candidate Votes

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Doug Chadwick

To approve the DCAD Resolution casting 371 votes to Charles Stafford, 150 votes to George Pryor and 150 votes to Bryan Webb.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
TASB Update
114 & EIA
(Local)-1st
Reading

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Dorothy Martinez

To approve TASB Update 114 and EIA (Local) revision on 1st Reading

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
2020-2021

Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve the 2020-2021 Academic School Year Calendar

Academic
School Year
Calendar The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
Interactive
Display and
Audio Solutions Motion by Doug Chadwick and seconded by Jim Alexander

To approve the quote from ProComputing Corporation for the Classroom
Display and A/V Refresh Project, equipment and installation, in the amount of
\$6,779,876.00

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

3rd Open Forum Jennifer Wages provided the Board with written information regarding
saving the trees at Woodrow Wilson.

Closed Meeting The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:56 pm

Open Meeting The Board reconvened into Open Session at 11:12 pm

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:18

President

Secretary