

**DRAFT**

**Minutes of the August 27, 2018 - Regular School Board Meeting**

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on August 27, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room located at the Vonita White Administration Building, 200 S. Denton Tap Road, Coppell, Texas. The meeting was called to order by President Tracy Fisher.

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

A quorum was present.

Staff present: Mr. Brad Hunt, Superintendent; Kay Ryon, Administrative Assistant; Sid Grant; Kelly Penny; Kristen Streeter; Dr. Angie Applegate; Deana Dynis; Stephen McGilvray; Diana Sircar; Cody Koontz; Louis Macias, Justin Hill; Dr. Emily Froese; Tracy Cartas; Steffany Batik; Louis Macias; and Amanda Simpson

Notice of this meeting was posted on August 24, 2018 at 3:45 p.m.

At 6:00 p.m., President Fisher declared the Board in Closed Session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.072 and Section 551.074.

President Fisher declared the Board in Open Session at 7:01 p.m.

Anthony Hill made a motion to accept new hires for CISD professional personnel as recommended by the Superintendent. David Caviness seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Manish Sethi moved that the Coppell Independent School District Board of Trustees authorize the Superintendent and the Associate Superintendent to negotiate the sale of approximately 4.98 acres located on the north side of the district owned 20 acre tract of land located within the northwest corner of Cypress Waters, and that any negotiated Agreement of sale be brought back before the Board of Trustees for final consideration and approval. The motion was seconded by Thom Hulme. The motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Leigh Walker to extend the Superintendent's employment contract for an additional year (employment for a three year term commencing on August 27, 2018 and ending on July 31, 2021). David Caviness seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

## **DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS**

- A. Back-to-School Highlights
- B. CMS East 6<sup>th</sup> Grader Isabella “Issi” Neufeld competes on Food Network’s “Kids Baking Championship”
- C. Child Nutrition receives \$50,000 Texas Department of Agriculture Grant
- D. CISD Community Tailgate – September 14<sup>th</sup>
- E. CISD receives “A” and “100” from School Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST)
- F. Coppell Middle School North designated a “Model Professional Learning Community School”

## **AWARDS**

- A. Coppell Solar placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in “Electric Solar” Division of the National Solar Car Challenge
- B. Coppell Middle School West receives Texas Association of School Resource Officers (TASRO) Administrator Team of the Year Award
- C. Thom Hulme completes Leadership TASB Program and earns Master Trustee Designation

Leigh Walker gave the Invocation and led the Pledge.

## **OPEN FORUM**

The following individuals addressed the Board of Trustees during the Open Forum section of the meeting:

Patricia Carpenter – Presentation of a book written by the Coppell Historical Society for 4<sup>th</sup> grade students

Liam Hubbard – Coppell Solar Car Racing Team Update

## **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:**

Stephen McGilvray, Executive Director of Technology, reviewed the protection measures used by the District in compliance with the Children’s Internet Protection Action (CIPA) and Cyberbullying Awareness.

In compliance with House Bill 273, Justin Hill (Director of Purchasing) provided information on the Purchasing Cooperative Fees paid by Coppell ISD for FY 2017-2018.

Louis Macias (Executive Director of Facilities and Special Projects) gave an update on bond projects. Emily Froese (Coppell Middle School West Principal) and Cody Koontz (CHS9

Principal) presented information on the opening of their campuses. Official opening celebrations will be held on September 19, 2018 for CMS West and October 3, 2018 for CHS9.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEE REPORT ITEMS:**

A legislative update was given by President Tracy Fisher.

Leigh Walker provided information on the City of Coppell's Vision 2040.

Anthony Hill gave reports on the July Safety & Security meeting as well as the North Texas Area Association of School Boards (NTAASB).

**CONSENT**

Thom Hulme made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Approve minutes of regular board meeting held on July 23, 2018; special meetings held on August 3, 2018 and August 6, 2018; and Board training held on August 21, 2018
2. Approve 2017-2018 final budget amendments
3. Approve Financial Report for July 31, 2018
4. Approve Superintendent as Purchasing Agent for the Coppell Independent School District, Authorized Representative for all Federal programs including E-Rate and Child Nutrition, and Designated Custodian for the general fund, building fund, child nutrition fund, bond fund, activity fund, all federal programs including E-Rate, all state programs, and all other programs and activities not listed for the 2018-2019 school year
5. Approve Special Education Legal Services Retainer with Walsh, Gallegos, Trevino, Russo & Kyle, P.C.
6. Approve Plano Regional Day School Program for the Deaf Shared Services Arrangement Agreement

Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

**ACTION**

Thom Hulme made a motion to approve the Resolution adopting the Official Budgets at the fund and function level for the General, Food Service, and Debt Service Funds for fiscal year beginning September 1, 2018 and ending August 31, 2019, as presented and in accordance with Texas Education Code 44.002-44.006. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Nichole Bentley made the following motions:

“I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of **\$1.4605**, which is effectively a 3.46 percent increase in the tax rate and that the accompanying Resolution setting the tax rate be approved and adopted by the Board of Trustees.”

“I move that the Board adopt a tax rate of **\$1.1700** for the amount of taxes needed to fund maintenance and operation expenditures for the 2018-2019 fiscal year.”

“I move that the Board adopt a tax rate of **\$0.2905** for the amount of taxes needed to service the District’s debt for the 2018-2019 fiscal year.”

“THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR’S TAX RATE.”

The motions were seconded by David Caviness and carried by a vote of 7-0.

A motion to adopt the 2018-2019 District Improvement Plan, as presented, was made by Anthony Hill and seconded by Manish Sethi. The motion carried 7-0.

David Caviness moved that the Board add, revise or delete (LOCAL) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 111. The motion was seconded by Anthony Hill. The motion carried 7-0.

A motion to approve the Resolutions for the Credit-by-Examination Audit Process and Examinations for Acceleration to Earn Credit, as presented, was made by Thom Hulme and seconded by Nichole Bentley. The motion carried 7-0.

After discussion, the Board of Trustees did not take action to endorse the candidacy of any one individual who is seeking to fill a position (Region 10, Position D) on the TASB Board of Directors.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Leigh Walker made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Manish Sethi seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

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Tracy Fisher, Board President

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Leigh Walker, Secretary