

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, August 9, 2022, at 6:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by President Mia Price who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Alexander, Bundgus, Burns, English, Price, Sosa-Sanchez and Stafford

Board Members

Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Niven, Mattingly, Pierce, Perkins, O'Bara, Rainey, Robinson, Russell, Stewart, Stevenson, and Zwahr

Others: Cindy Breeding, *Denton Record Chronicle*; Randy Stout, Attorney; citizens, staff, and students.

Pledges: The pledges to the flags were led by District staff.

Presentations/
Recognitions

The Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) through use of the BuyBoard. The program's purpose is to increase purchasing power, lower administrative costs and streamline the procurement process to increase purchasing power/efficiencies. Last year, Denton ISD earned \$89,757 from the BuyBoard program, which is now being returned to Denton ISD, translating to a savings to our local taxpayers. Don Elsom, TASB Business Services Consultant presented the check on behalf of BuyBoard. Each year the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) honors businesses and organizations for their support and exceptional advocacy of local schools. For more than a decade James Wood AutoPark has supported students and educators in our district by donating to various initiatives and honoring our Teachers of the Year. Denny Aldridge from James Wood AutoPark was recognized for their willingness to always fill-in and celebrate our District's successes.

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

1st Open Forum

Nancy Anderson and her son addressed the Board regarding Newton Rayzor Elementary and how much they appreciate the teachers and staff at this campus. The following community members addressed the Board regarding library books: Lenry Van Zyl, Suzanne Gilbert, Kelsey Fryman, Lucas Holl.

Discussion of
Estimated Tax
Values & Tax Rate

Jennifer Stewart, Exec. Director of Budget reviewed the Tax Rate adoption timeline stating the District's timeline to submit values to TEA is August 1, TEA assigns the tax rate for 2022-2023 on August 5 and then the Board adopts the District's tax rate on September 13, 2022. Ms. Stewart stated the

2022 certified estimate values increased 17.41% over last year which equates to \$3,674,570,122.00. The 2022-2023 Debt Service budget was built with a 13% growth factor and now with the certified estimates 17.41% growth the District will be able to make additional Bond prepayments. The budgeted tax rate vs. the proposed tax rate will remain the same at .48 for Debt Service and .08646 for Maintenance & Operations tax rate for a total tax rate of \$1.3446.

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

Discussion of
TASB Policy
Update 119

Update 119 includes policy recommendations to address the remainder of the legislative changes from the 87th Legislature, Regular Session; other revisions resulting from legislation enacted during the special sessions; and revisions based on updates to the Texas Administrative Code. Recommended changes to local policies address the following topics:

- Records management
- Required staff development
- Required instruction
- Gifted and talent students
- Graduation
- Trauma-informed care
- Freedom from discrimination, harassment, and retaliation

Update 119 contains revisions to 51 legal policies and 9 local policies.

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

Discussion of
Citizens Advisory
Committee

The purpose of the 2022-2023 Citizens' Advisory Committee is to provide facility, equipment and infrastructure recommendations to the Denton ISD Board of Trustees after analyzing a district-wide facilities assessment, enrollment projections, financial data, results of a community survey, and other data relevant in creating and maintaining learning environments that align with the district's mission, vision and goals. The Board has been provided a list of the community members that are willing to participate in this important committee.

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

Discussion of
Denton County
Appraisal District
Budget

Dr. Jamie Wilson presented the information regarding the DCAD 17% budget increase. Judge Eads and the county has along with the City of Denton has voted against the budget increase.

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

Denton Community Council of PTA's Annual Report

Aimee Jones, PTA Council President and Suzanne Danhof, PTA Council First Vice-President presented the State of the Council Report for 2021-2022. The Council recently changed their name from Denton Community Council of PTAs to Denton ISD Council of PTAs. The purpose of the PTS is to

- * To promote the welfare of children and youth in home, school, community, and place of worship.
- * To raise the standards of home life.
- * To secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth.
- * To bring into closer relation the home and the school that parents and teachers may cooperate intelligently in the education of children and youth.
- * To develop between educators and the public such united efforts as will secure for all children and youth the highest advantages in physical, mental, social, and spiritual education.

There is currently 40 PTAs with the addition of Sandbrock Ranch-2022 and LaGrone Academy and Pat Cheek Middle school in 2023. In 2021-2022 Denton ISD PTA has 6237 members and will continue to advocate on behalf of all Denton ISD students.

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

2022-2023 Projected Enrollment

Susannah O'Bara, Assistant Superintendent for Academic Programs provided the Board of Trustees with a summary of Denton ISD's projected enrollment, for the 2022-2023 school year and to compare this data to previous years. Denton ISD continues to register students daily.

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

Annual Discipline Report 2021-2022

Dr. Jeff Russell provided the Board of Trustees information reported to the Texas Education Agency through PEIMS regarding disciplinary actions taken during the 2021-22 school year. TEA requires reporting of every disciplinary action that removes a student from the regular classroom or educational placement for periods of one school day or more. Typically, this includes any action involving in-school suspension, out-of-school suspension, placement in a disciplinary alternative education program (DAEP), or expulsion from school. There are also requirements for reporting specific types of behavior for analysis by the Safe and Drug Free Schools Division of TEA, which administers state and federal grant money. This data has been compared with the previous three years and will be the basis for future efforts to improve discipline within our schools.

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

2nd Open Forum The following community members addressed the Board regarding library books: Donna Smith, Charles Gifford, Debi Scaggs, Carol Novielli, Dr. Terry Senne, Devon DePuy, Kim Krutka, Liam Gaum-Wakefield, Victoria Sparger, Whitney Donohue, and Elise Koldrup, Dan Krutka provided written information to the Board.

Amy Bundgus requested item H-TASB Policy EFB (Local) Instructional Resources/Library Media-2nd Reading pulled for further discussion

Consent Agenda Motion by and Patsy Sosa-Sanchez seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve the consent agenda with the exception of item H, (the minutes of the July 26, 2022 board meeting, personnel matters, leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of July 31, 2022, approval of 2022 – 2023 list of administrator appraisers for the Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System (T-TESS), approval of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for school resource investigator (SRO) between Denton County and the Denton Independent School District whereas the County provides the District with one (1) certified police officer to serve as school resource officer (SRO) assigned to Harpool Middle School; approval of policy EFA(LOCAL): Instructional Materials on 2nd Reading; approval of the deletion of EF(LOCAL) upon final approval of EFA(LOCAL) and EFB(LOCAL); approval of the Architectural Services Amendment for Pfluger Architects, Inc, Sandbrock Ranch Elementary project list to include MDF/IDF projects for eight schools and approval of the quote from TDIndustries in the amount of \$1,875,000.00 for the replacement of the roof top units at LaGrone Academy.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve the TASB Policy EFB (Local) Instructional Resources/Library Media-2nd Reading

Motion was amended by Jim Alexander and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve the TASB Policy EFB (Local) Instructional Resources/Library Media-2nd Reading wording change on page 3 of 5 Guiding Principles item #3 to state “*Access to a challenged material can be restricted during the Reconsideration process*”.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider Approval of TASB Update Motion by Barbara Burns and seconded by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez

To approve TASB Update 119 Local Polices on 1st reading.

119 Local Policy Revisions	The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.
Consider Approval of Citizens Advisory Committee	<p>Motion by Sheryl English and seconded by Jim Alexander</p> <p>To approve the committee's intent and charge along with the list of participants and grant staff to add citizens as they accept the invitation.</p> <p>The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.</p>
Consider Approval of Charge for Citizens Advisory Committee	<p>Motion by Barbara Burns and seconded by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez</p> <p>To approve the Citizen's Advisory Committee Charge</p> <p>The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.</p>
3 rd Open Forum	Kristine Bray addressed the Board about library books. Mary Kuhfeldt provided written information to the Board.
Closed Meeting	The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:55 pm
Open Meeting	The Board reconvened into Open Session at 10:15 pm
Adjournment:	The meeting adjourned at 10:20 pm

President

Secretary