

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 14, 2017 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, Burns, Chadwick, Martinez, Price, Smith and Stafford

Board Members Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

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

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

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

Presentations/ Recognitions Paul Barnes, first grade teacher at Hodge Elementary, is making every minute with his students count. A statewide change in attendance rules put more time in the school day at our elementary schools, and Mr. Barnes is using that time to introduce STEAM principles to his students.

Students from Adkins, Ginnings, Stephens and Rivera elementary campuses were selected to have their artwork on display during the annual TASA/TASB Convention in Dallas last month. The artwork was part of a collection chosen from student artists across the state to represent the Texas Art Educators Association.

CrossFit Denton is an avid supporter of Denton ISD, its students and its staff. The organization promotes physical fitness and healthy lifestyles thru its workout programs and counts several district families and staff as dedicated members. That promotion of health and wellness led CrossFit Denton owners, John and Kalah Thompson, to partner with the Denton Public School Foundation and other community members to start the Denton ISD Barbell Bash – a competition of aerobic and strength-training exercises. This year's Barbell Bash raised more than \$3,000 for at-risk students in the district through their own 501c3 non-profit entity, Fit 2 Serve. To date the Barbell Bash has raised more than \$22,000 for at-risk students in Denton ISD, while promoting the importance of physical fitness in the community.

1 <sup>st</sup> Open Forum	Willie Hudspeth addressed the Board and feels there is not enough African American students recognized.
Discussion of Financial Audit Report	<p>Carl Deaton from the audit firm Hankins, Eastup, Deaton, Tonn &amp; 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.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Discussion of Substitute Solutions	<p>Dr. Robert Stewart, Asst. Superintendent for Human Resources and Tracy Johnson, Director of Professional Personnel provided the Substitute Solutions report to find an answer for the district's low fill rates for substitute coverage. It is imperative that student learning continue in the absence of the teacher, however, unfilled vacancies hinder this focus. ESS/Source 4 Teachers is a company that is committed to delivering outstanding service solutions and highly talented people that enhance their client's ability to improve student achievement for each child, in every classroom while supporting their employees and the communities they serve. The district's substitute shortage continues to impact student learning due to the district's inability to maintain 100% substitute fill rate.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Discussion of Classroom Teacher Technology Replacement	<p>Dr. Mike Mattingly, Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum &amp; Instruction and Dwight Goodwin, Director of Instructional Technology shared: (a) the process used to gather appropriate feedback from teachers, and (b) the recommendations from the D-TEK team regarding technology <i>replacement</i> for classroom teachers. Some of the items teachers want in their technology is:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. ability to move around the room</li> <li>2. ability to project from my mobile device</li> <li>3. ability to assess student work at the student station</li> <li>4. ability to help students by using the same device</li> </ol> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Head Start	Cathi Robbins provided the Board of Trustees a summary of the Ann Windle School for Young Children (AWSYC) Head Start Administrative Requirements and

Annual 644  
Financial  
Compliance  
Report

Standards from section 644 of the Head Start Act. Annually, each Head Start Agency must report the following information from the most recently concluded fiscal year:

- The total amount of public and private funds received and the amount from each source.
- An explanation of budgetary expenditures and proposed budget for the fiscal year.
- The results of the most recent review of the financial audit.

AWSYC is funded by a Federal Grant in the amount of \$1,322,869. The grant requires a local match of 20% or \$330,717. A total from all sources during the 2016-2017 school year for matching dollars is \$918,612. The award for 2016-2017 reflects a COLA (cost of living adjustment) increase over the previous year in the amount of \$23,016.

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2<sup>nd</sup> Open Forum

No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Doug Chadwick and seconded by Dorothy Martinez

To approve (the minutes for the October 24, 2017 board meeting; personnel matters, leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of October 31, 2017; TEA Class Size Waiver; approval for second extension of four available one-year extensions of the Athletic Partnership proposal with Under Armour; approval of the Union Park Development site location for Elementary 24; approval of the 2017 Certified Tax Roll with a combined levy of \$241,124,357.80; Head Start Monthly Compliance Reports for August, September, October and Head Start Bylaws and approve that Denton ISD Transportation provide Third-Party Skills Testing services and enter into agreement to provide such services per the terms and conditions of the Memorandum of Understanding for Third-Party Skills Testing for Commercial Driver's License to other Texas school districts.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider  
Approval of  
Financial Audit  
for the Year  
Ending June 30,  
2017

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Barbara Burns

To approve the Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2017.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider  
Approval of  
Attendance

Motion by Dorothy Martinez and seconded by Jeanetta Smith

To approve the modifications to the attendance zones as proposed for Cross

Boundary Modifications	Oaks Elementary, and Providence Elementary.  The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.
Consider Approval of 2018-2019 School Calendar	Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Barbara Burns  To approve the 2018-2019 school calendar  The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.
3 <sup>rd</sup> Open Forum	No one wished to speak.
Closed Meeting	The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:24 pm
Open Meeting	The Board reconvened into Open Session at 10:26 pm  Motion by Doug Chadwick and seconded by Charles Stafford  To approve that Denton Independent School District, approve the Donation Agreement with Hillwood Communities for the necessary real estate to construct a new elementary school and approve the school shall be named Union Park Elementary School.  The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.  Motion by Dorothy Martinez and seconded by Jim Alexander  To approve the Denton Independent School District in keeping with its tradition of naming schools for great contributors to Denton education, rename Robert E. Lee Elementary School to Alice Alexander Elementary School.  The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.
Adjournment:	The meeting adjourned at 10:40pm

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President

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Secretary