

The Board of Trustees of Denton Independent School District, State of Texas, met in a special meeting at the Denton ISD Central Services building, 1307 N. Locust St., Denton, Texas, on Tuesday, January 20, 2015 at 6:02 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Glenna Harris who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Alexander, Burns, Harris, Martinez, Price, Smith and Stafford

Board Members Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Wilson, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Valenta, Sargent, Hicks, Stevenson and Zavala

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

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

Presentations/ Recognitions An advanced welding class from the LaGrone Advanced Technology Complex recently won a national educational contest and \$4,000 in cash and equipment, which will be used to help the program grow. As a result of the win, Victor Technologies will give \$4,000 worth of money and equipment to the ATC and its students, a \$500 prize for each winning-team member.

The Denton Independent School District recently had six campuses named as recipients of the CREST Award, which annually recognizes the top counseling staffs in the state, by the Texas School Counselor Association. CREST stands for Counselors Reinforcing Excellence for Students in Texas and the CREST award was introduced by the Texas School Counselor Association in 2005 to recognize excellence in school counseling. This year's honored campuses and counselors include:

McNair – Deanne Harrup;

Crownover – Jennifer Carter, Amy Matthews, Kati Willis;

Harpool – Sable Gonyea, Darlene Kent, Annette Price, Annette Price;

Denton High – Kathleen Ashton, Justin Fields, Doretha Hudspeth, Kim Keith, Chris Lydia, Jennifer Mize, Jari Peltier, Martha Puga;

Guyer High – Jeanie Bragg, David Christian, Christina Dorton, Brandy Guilford, Martha Puga, Mary Rivers, Lisa Tsakonas, Andrea Wyatt;

Ryan High – Erica Chupp, Angela Clouse, Rebecca Coley, Erin Coulter, Nicole Dampman, Lori Herbst, Anne Scaggs and Christine Snow.

Jeanie Bragg, a career and technology counselor across the entire Denton Independent School District was recently presented the 2015 Career Guidance Award by the Association for Career and Technical Education. She received her award at the ACTE National Awards Banquet as part of the organization's convention in Nashville last November.

The Denton Public School Foundation is marking the 20th anniversary of its founding with a special recognition at Denton ISD's January Board of Trustees meeting. The Foundation was chartered on December 29, 1994. The original signees of the charter included: Carol Ridens Atkins, Colleen Briscoe, Dr. Bettye Myers, Charles Stafford and Vicki Holt. Since its inception, the Foundation has awarded over \$2.5 million in grants to teachers, staff scholarships and more than \$600,000 in student scholarships.

1st Open Forum Glenda Brock Simmons – would like to see High School #4 named after Bill Carrico.

Jimmy Coulterm- Graduated Denton High School in 1973 and would like to see High School #4 named after Bill Carrico

Charlie Cole Jr. – would also like to have High School #4 named after Bill Carrico

Ken Bahnser – would like to see High School #4 named after Bill Carrico.

Ann Gosdin – addressed the board regarding dyslexia services and the process being very lengthy. At Newton Rayzor dyslexia students can only receive services 2 days a week.

Highlights of the Schools & Libraries E-Rate Modernization Program Ernie Stripling along with Allen McDaniel the District's E-Rate consultant provided the Board with information detailing the recent changes to the Federal E-Rate program. E-Rate is a federal program created in 1996 by the FCC and administered by the Schools & Libraries Division of the Universal Service Administrative Company that provides eligible K-12 public schools and libraries 20 – 90 percent discounts on approved telecommunications, internet access and internal connections costs. E-Rate discounts are based on the number of students eligible for the National School Lunch Program.

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

K-12 Math TEKS Overview The K-12 math TEKS have undergone a massive change. Grace Ann McKay and Karen Spalding district math coordinators highlighted and summarized the key changes that have been made. These changes have had widespread impact on student learning and assessment. The Secondary and Elementary Math Coordinators have been preparing for these changes and have provided teachers with a variety of support systems to help them

navigate these changes. This preparation began over two years ago to be sure Denton ISD was proactively involved and prepared.

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

TASB Policy
Update 101

Update 101 incorporates recent changes to the Administrative Code regarding board member training, depository contracts, superintendent severance payments, school nutrition policies, child abuse and neglect, and various instruction topics. A recent commissioner of education decision prompted changes to all three of the local policies addressing grievances. Other local policies in Update 101 address purchasing, including submission of electronic bids or proposals, and the authority to approve variations to the school calendar and close schools for reasons of public health and safety. Update 101 contains 22 Legal, 7 Local and 5 Exhibits.

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

1st Semester
Attendance
Report

Darrell Muncy, Director of Student Support Services provided the Board with the attendance percentages for each grade level for the Third Reporting Period, (November 10, 2014 – December 19, 2014). Along with the fall attendance figures (August 25, 2014 – December 19, 2014). The total attendance average for the Denton ISD for the Third Reporting Period is 95.46%. The 2014 fall semester average is 96.34%

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

High School
Graduation
Planning and
Course Catalog

Vicky Sargent, Director of Secondary Curriculum & Instruction provided the Board with a draft copy of the High School Graduation Planning and Course Catalog. HB 5 has brought many changes in high school graduation requirements and provides for a new set of graduation plans for Texas students. These graduation plans consist of a core foundation plan for every Texas student and five endorsements/majors from which students may choose depending on their interests. The incoming freshman class will follow the new Foundation Plan which requires 22 earned credits to qualify for a high school diploma and 26 requirements to include an endorsement. Students, by meeting additional requirements, can also earn a Distinguished or Performance Acknowledgements. The changes made to the new catalog were for purposes of updating any clarifications in HB 5 graduation requirements, any STAAR state assessment requirement changes, deleting courses no longer offered, adding new courses, reflecting any Board approved changes, and for text editing.

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

Ann Windle-
Head Start

Angela Hellman, principal of Ann Windle provided the Board with the 2013-2014 Head Start Annual Report. The Head Start Act, sec. 644

Annual Report to the Public 2013-2014 Administrative Requirements and Standards, states that each Head Start agency shall make available to the public a report at least once in every fiscal year.

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

2nd Open Forum No one wished to speak

Consent Agenda Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve (the minutes for the January 20, 2015 board meeting; personnel matters, leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of December 31, 2014; Investment Reports as of November 30, 2014 and December 31, 2014; TEA Class Size Waiver; approval of travel by the Strickland Middle School Band to travel to the Director's Choice Music Festival in San Antonio, Texas, May 1-3, 2015; approval of travel to a Non-State-Sanctioned Activity, Out-of-State for Denton High School Orchestra to attend festival competition and clinic in Winter Park, Colorado, April 17-21, 2015; approval of Head Start Compliance Reports for November and December 2014; approval of the first extension for one year of the proposal for Miscellaneous Data Drops with TFE (Technology For Education); approval of transportation services for Akins students who live in the Kendall Estates of Lantana; approval of verb age in Section 5.1. Salary within both probationary and term contracts be removed; approval of additional PDAS certified appraisers as submitted and Calhoun Middle School Resolution).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Mia Price
Approval for

Order to Call To approve the Order of Election to be held on May 9, 2015
Board of Trustee

Election The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Jim Alexander
Approval of

Order To approve of the Order Authorizing the Issuance of the Denton Independent
Authorizing School District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds with the following
Issuance of parameters:

- Unlimited Tax 1. The District achieves a present value debt service savings of at least
Refunding Bonds 7.5%;
2. The maximum principal amount of Refunding Bonds that may be issued is \$174,225,000 – The same dollar amount of Series 2007 and 2008 Bonds eligible to be refunded at a lower rate;
3. The maximum interest rate (All-In TIC) on the Refunding Bonds is 3.75%;

4. The final maturity of the Refunding Bonds may not exceed August 15, 2038 – the same final maturity as the 2008 Bonds; and
5. The refunding program is completed prior to July 19, 2015.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

3rd Open Forum

Gene Hartman – addressed the Board to name the DHS baseball field after FD “Cotton” Nix

Jake Hersman – addressed the Board and would like to see High School #4 named after Bill Carrico.

Rob Houdek – addressed the Board and would also like to see High School #4 named after Bill Carrico.

Mike Woodson – also wants to see High School #4 named after Bill Carrico

Jack Howell – addressed the board would like to see the DHS baseball field after FD “Cotton” Nix

David Bailey – addressed the board and would also like to see High School #4 after Bill Carrico.

Willie Hudspeth - addressed the board regarding not having enough African American students represented.

Darlene Doyle – addressed the board regarding High School #4 after Bill Carrico.

Closed Meeting

The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:44 pm

Open Meeting

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 10:13 pm

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Mia Price

To name High School #4 in honor of Ray E. Braswell, the Athletic Complex of High School #4 in honor of Bill Carrico and the baseball field at Denton High School in honor of FD “Cotton” Nix.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

The Board reconvened into Closed Session at 10:33 pm

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 1:45 am

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 1:46 am

President

Secretary