

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, April 24, 2018 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 Cross Oaks Elementary students.

Presentations/ Recognitions Megan Gabriel, a math teacher at Denton High School, is was recently named a finalist for the 2018 Presidential Award for Excellence in Math and Science. Ms. Gabriel is a product of Denton ISD and is passionate about making sure her students receive the same wonderful experience she did on an everyday basis. Megan is named for this month’s Educator Spotlight.

Adkins Elementary librarian, Lisa O’Rear, was recently named the recipient of the 2018 Siddie Joe Johnson Award from the Texas Library Association. Ms. O’Rear has served as the librarian at Adkins Elementary since its opening in 2014 and has been with the district since 2007. The Siddie Joe Johnson Award is bestowed upon a public or school librarian in recognition of outstanding achievement in children’s library service. Ms. O’Rear will be presented with her award at the TLA Conference in Dallas on April 5. SJJ Award nominees are evaluated on the basis of outstanding or innovative programs, a sustained high level of performance, leadership ability, involvement in professional organizations, community involvement, and cooperation with parents and other libraries, especially outside their own system.

To show their appreciation for the district’s support of a newly renovated Tina Minke Field, members of the Ryan High School softball team presented the board with a gift basket.

1<sup>st</sup> Open Forum Willie Hudspeth addressed the Board about the low income and the high achievers. Feels there is a group of students not being served and wants the teachers to have aids in the classroom.

Discussion and Review of 2018-2019 Budget Jennifer Stewart, Director of Budget reviewed the Revenue and Change sheets as well as the Budget Request items for 2018-2019.

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

Discussion of DISD Utility Management Report

Brandon Hoke and Bob Wilkins with TDI Industries presented the Board of Trustees the utility management processes in all Denton ISD's facilities from July 2017 – December 2017. This report includes 1. Total consumption and cost comparison; 2. Analysis by utility type; 3. Percentage change of energy use. Currently the Building Operations department manages over 6,000 pieces of HVAC equipment over 1000 individual points/zones of irrigation control. The Operations department plans to complete the 2013 Bond Outdoor Lighting Retrofit summer 2018 and compete 2013 Bond Chiller replacement at RHS summer 2018

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

Discussion and Review of Student Teaching Internship Partnerships with TWU & UNT

Tracy Johnson, Director of Professional Personnel provided the Board with information related to the district's partnerships with UNT and TWU. The District's partnerships are designed to prepare pre-service teachers for the classroom and future employment in education. There are different programs and learning opportunities designed to support the learning of pre-service teachers such as *Teach North Texas* and *Teacher Career Pathway* which is a joint venture between DID, TWU and NCTC.

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

Discussion of Strengths Update: Strengths Academies and Strengths Champions

Richard Valenta provided information about the District's Strengths curriculum at our Strength-Based campuses.

- To discuss the valuable training that our selected Strengths Champions have received from LaurieGrace Bolden (RethinkResults.com) and Emily McLarty (Atkins Principal).
- To share updated information about Strengths-based parenting at Ryan High School.
- To share information about our partnership with Learning L2 Together and our efforts to propose strengths development in our Adult Education learners.

Research supports that when we focus on our strengths, we are more enthusiastic about our work and our lives. Strengths central purpose is to elevate performance. The research clearly shows that focusing on what we do right correlates to better business outcomes. This has a direct impact on academic performance in education.

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

Update on ESS/DISD Transition

Tracy Johnson, Director of Professional Personnel provided a follow-up report to communicate the progress in the district's implementation of the ESS partnership regarding the substitute program. Since the initial presentation, the HR department has collaborated with district stakeholders

and ESS to implement the transition process. ESS started the implementation process on March 19<sup>th</sup> and the “Go Live” date was April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Open Forum No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda Motion by Doug Chadwick and Jim Alexander seconded by

To approve (the minutes for the April 10, 2018 board meeting; personnel matters, leaves and absences, approval of Angelia Ricks as the new Director of Support Services; Investment Report as of March 31, 2018; TASB Update 110 & Policy CE (Local) on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading; approval of CBS Roofing Services for the re-roofing project at Ann Windle School for Young Children for \$349,940.00; Head Start Compliance Reports for March 2018 and approval of the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services between Denton County and Denton Independent School District for the May 5, 2018 election).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider Motion by Barbara Burns and seconded by Dorothy Martinez

Approval of

Auditor for

2017-2018 Fiscal

Year

To approve Hankins, Eastup, Deaton, Tonn and Seay for the 2017-2018 fiscal year audit.

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 8:52 pm

Open Meeting The Board reconvened into Open Session at 10:20 pm

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:45 pm.

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President

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Secretary