

Minutes of the September 23, 2019 - Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on September 23, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Vonita White Administration Building, 200 S. Denton Tap Road. The meeting was called to order by President Thom Hulme.

Members present: Thom Hulme, President; David Caviness (arrived 6:28 PM), Vice President; Nichole Bentley, Secretary; Manish Sethi; Anthony Hill; Tracy Fisher and Leigh Walker

A quorum was present.

Notice of this meeting was posted on September 20, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

At 6:01 p.m., President Hulme declared the Board in Closed Session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters and Texas Government Code Section 551.072, Deliberations regarding Real Property.

President Hulme declared the Board in Open Session at 7:10 p.m.

Staff present: Brad Hunt, Superintendent; Carol Snowden, Administrative Assistant; Sid Grant; Kristin Streeter; Dr. Angie Applegate; Stephen McGilvray; Dr. Deana Dynis; Diana Sircar; Kelly Mires; Debbie Youngs; Susie Williams; Amanda Simpson; Angela Brown; Campus Principals and Campus Assistant Principals

A motion was made by Anthony Hill and seconded by Nichole Bentley to employ professional personnel as recommended by the Superintendent. The motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Hunt presented the following District Highlights:

- Campus Engagement highlights
- Coppell High School Homecoming Parade - October 23rd / Game - October 25th
- Successful CISD College Night with more than 200 colleges and universities participating
- CMS North selected Model PLC (Professional Learning Community) School
- CISD schools commemorate Sept. 11 as Texas First Responders Day

AWARDS

- Sikyra Castle, senior at New Tech High @ Coppell, serving as Texas DECA president
- Trustee Tracy Fisher receives Leadership TASB (Texas Association of School Boards) Alumni Association Celebration of Leadership Award and Trustee Leigh Walker received her Leadership TASB Certificate for completion of the program.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Tracy Fisher gave the invocation and led the Pledge.

OPEN FORUM

No one came forward to address the Board of Trustees during the Open Forum portion of the meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT ITEMS

- A report on the 2018-19 STAAR results was presented to the Board of Trustees. The state accountability report for the District and each campus was given by Debbie Youngs - Director of Research, Assessment & Accountability. Susie Williams, Coordinator of Assessment & Accountability, provided information on the spring 2019 STAAR results for Grades 3-8 and EOC/Accelerated Instruction.
- Sid Grant, Associate Superintendent provided an update on the Facilities Visioning Committee. Committee invitations have been sent and the first meeting will take place on October 17.
- An update regarding employee recruitment and retention as well as the programs or processes in place to foster the hiring and retaining of high quality employees was provided by - Kristen Streeter - Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services and Kelly Mires - Executive Director for Human Resources (SPPG3)

CONSENT

David Caviness made a motion to approve consent agenda items:

- Approve minutes of the Public Hearing on Budget and regular Board meeting held on August 26, 2019; special meeting held on September 9, 2019; and Board training on August, 28, 2019
- Approve Budget Amendments for September 2019
- Approve Financial Report for August 2019
- Approve Investment Report for Period Ending August 31, 2019
- Consider adoption of resolution regarding annual review of investment brokers pursuant to Chapter 2256 of the Texas Government Code of Investment of Public Funds, Section 2256.025
- Consider adoption of a resolution regarding annual review of Section 2256.008(a), Texas Government Code, approving independent sources of instruction for district investment officer training
- Approve the annual review of current performance on investments
- Consider adoption of a resolution regarding annual review of investment policies CDA (Legal) and CDA (Local) pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2256, Section 2256.005(e)
- Approve to enter into Master Inter-local Agreement with Region 10
- Consider approval of additional IMA funds

- Approve Plano Regional Day School Program for the Deaf Shared Services Arrangement Agreement

Manish Sethi seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

ACTION

Anthony Hill made a motion to approve the 2019-2020 Campus Improvement Plans as presented. The motion was seconded by Tracy Fisher and carried 7-0.

A motion was made by David Caviness to approve the CHS Theater trip to Edinburgh, Scotland. Details for the trip were provided to the Board by Lauren Holt from CHS. Manish Sethi seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0. (Nichole Bentley abstained from voting)

A presentation regarding the details for the CHS Choir trip to London, England was given by Bona Coogle and Aaron Coronado from CHS. Anthony Hill made a motion to approve the trip and Tracy Fisher seconded. The motion carried 6-0. (Nichole Bentley abstained from voting)

Background information on the request for class size waivers was provided by Jennifer Villines. A total of 3 waivers are needed for Mockingbird Elementary (grade 3) and Valley Ranch Elementary (grades 3 & 4). A motion to approve the Texas Education Agency "Request for Maximum Class Size Exception" as required by the Texas Education Code §25.112 was made by Nichole Bentley and seconded by David Caviness. The motion carried 7-0.

David Caviness made a motion to approve General Datatech, L.P. (GDT) to complete the wireless infrastructure upgrade project at a total cost not to exceed \$2,500,000. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

BOARD REPORT ITEMS

- Leadership TASB and Board Training/Team of Eight - Nichole Bentley
- Bond Oversight Committee - Thom Hulme
- North Texas Area Association of School Boards (NTAASB) meeting, TEA School Board Advisory Council, and TASA/TASB Conference in Dallas - Anthony Hill
- Legislative Update - Tracy Fisher
- Safety Committee Update - Nichole Bentley

At 9:27 p.m., President Hulme declared the Board in Closed Session as allowed by Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters.

President Hulme declared the Board in Open Session at 9:56 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Leigh Walker made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Thom Hulme, Board President

Nichole Bentley, Secretary