

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, October 24, 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, and Stafford

Board Members Absent: Smith

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 Paloma Creek Elementary students.

Presentations/ Recognitions Caroline King, Texas History teacher at Calhoun Middle School, is finding different ways to ensure her students learn and understand the importance of Texas History. Through the use of interactive displays – both real world and digital – her students get a first-hand feel of the lessons that formed our state. This success has helped Ms. King earn a turn in the Denton ISD Educator Spotlight.

Caroline King, Texas History teacher at Calhoun Middle School, and Kimberly Fritch, world geography teacher at Braswell High School, were recently recognized as two of the top teachers in the state by the Texas Council for the Social Studies.

Ms. King was selected as the 2017 Outstanding NOVA Award recipient, which annually recognizes the best first-year social studies teacher in the state. Ms. Fritch was selected as the 2017 Outstanding High School Teacher Award, which annually recognizes the best high school social studies teacher in the state. The recipient of the first Braswell High Teacher of the Year honor a year ago, Ms. Fritch also serves as an instructional coach and the school's student council sponsor.

The Denton High School Jazz Program, the Guyer High School Orchestra and the McMath Middle School Tiger Band each earned recognition in the prestigious Mark of Excellence competition by The Foundation for Music Education. The Mark of Excellence is a competition in which the top quarter of selected entries are chosen as national winners. Each school's recorded entry competes against others from across all 50 states, with only the best selected for this honor. The Denton High Lab Band 1 was named a national winner in the jazz honors portion of the competition and the Guyer High

Rhapsody Orchestra was named a national winner in the orchestra honors section of the competition. The McMath Tiger Band was named a national commended winner.

1st Open Forum Willie Hudspeth addressed the Board about there not being any African American students recognized during the recognition portion of the meeting. He also stated DISD does not have an African American head football coach.

Allison McGuyer addressed the Board about renaming Lee Elementary.

Alfred Sanchez addressed the Board to have a school named after Ms. Alice Alexander.

Public Hearing on School “FIRST” Rating President Price opened the Public Hearing at 6:39 pm

Debbie Monschke, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services reviewed the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) Report. The state's school financial accountability rating system ensures that Texas public schools are held accountable for the quality of their financial management practices and that they improve those practices. The system is designed to encourage Texas public schools to better manage their financial resources to provide the maximum allocation possible for direct instructional purposes. Denton ISD received a superior rating or the highest designation possible.

President Price asked the public if anyone wished to speak and no one wished to speak. President Price closed the Public Hearing at 6:55 pm.

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

Discussion of Attendance Boundary Modifications Susannah O’Bara, Area Superintendent for Academic Programs presented an overview of the proposed attendance boundary modifications to Cross Oaks Elementary School and Providence Elementary School. There are several future developments within the Cross Oaks zone that would impact the attendance boundaries, these future developments would have significant impact to enrollment capacity at Cross Oaks Elementary. Adjustments while no homes are completed, would allow the District to avoid rezoning attendance boundaries after students in this development begin attending our schools.

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

Discussion of 2018-2019 School Calendar Susannah O’Bara, Area Superintendent for Academic Programs presented the proposed calendar for consideration by our Board of Trustees. Input has been sought from district leadership, campus administrators, and the Educational Improvement Council and currently from the Board of Trustees. Approving the 2018-2019 calendar will allow staff and parents time to plan activities for the next school year.

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

Discussion of
Adult Education
& Literacy
Program Update

David Gerabagi, Exec. Director along with Octaviano Garza, Adult Literacy Director presented an update to the Board about new initiatives regarding Adult Education and Literacy Programs at Denton ISD. Core purpose of adult education is to prepare individuals with the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in postsecondary education and the workforce.

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

Review of
Annual
Investment
Performance

The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of Trustees of the annual investment earnings and performance of the District's investments for fiscal year 2016-2017. The District will continue to invest funds in the investment pools to earn interest on funds and maintain liquidity of the funds for upcoming District needs.

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

Attendance
Report-1st
Grading Period

Darrell Muncy, Director of Student Support Services presented the attendance percentages for each grade level for the 1st Cycle (August 16, 2017 – September 29, 2017). The total attendance average for the Denton ISD for the 1st cycle is 97.21%. The lowest total attendance averages are for 12th graders at 95.46% followed by 11th graders at 96.15%. The highest attendance averages are in the 2nd grade at 97.81% followed by 6th graders at 97.80%.

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

2nd Open Forum

No one wished to speak

Consent Agenda

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Dorothy Martinez

To approve (the minutes for the October 2, 2017 and October 10, 2017 board meetings; personnel matters, leaves and absences; Investment Report as of September 30, 2017; Budget Amendments as of September 30, 2017; TEA Class Size Waiver; approval of RFP 1709-03 to Northwest Propane Gas Co., as the awarded vendor for propane fuel for one term of three (3) years (November 1, 2017 through October 31, 2020) with an estimated spend of \$1,118,280.97; approval of First Public, LLC and BOK Financial Securities as providers of broker services for the purchase of investment securities; approval of the following providers of investment officer training: Texas Association of School Business Officials, University of North Texas Center for Public Management/Government Treasurers Organization of Texas, and William P. Hobby Center for Public Service at Texas State University;

approval of Resolution acknowledging the review of the CDA (Local) Investment Policy as required by the Public Funds Investment Act, naming the Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services and Director of Finance as Investment Officers for the District; approval of declaration of surplus property; approval of the Resolution concerning Denton Central Appraisal District Property ID #R0169278, located in Denton County, Texas, which would allow the private sale of the property to the City of Corinth for an amount up to \$10.00, as the buyer deems appropriate; approval for Braswell High School French Club to travel to England and France scheduled for March 10, 2018 to March 20, 2018; approval of CSP# 151015 for Library Jobber be renewed using the first of two available renewals through October 31, 2019; Approval of the Resolution Amending Authorized Representatives for TexPool – 77365 and 77380 to add Elizabeth Cuadrado (inquiry only) and delete Kaylee Carlock (inquiry only); Approval of the Addition/Deletion Form for Authorized Representatives for TexStar – 06105 to add Elizabeth Cuadrado access (inquiry only) and delete Kaylee Carlock (inquiry only) and Approval of the Authorized Representative Add Form Add Form for the First Public – Lone Star Investment Pool to add Elizabeth Cuadrado).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
Annual
Investment
Report

Motion by Doug Chadwick and seconded by Jim Alexander

To approve the annual investment performance report.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

3rd Open Forum

No one wished to speak.

Closed Meeting

The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:37 pm

Open Meeting

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 9:45 pm

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 pm

President

Secretary

