

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, December 15, 2020 at 6:00 PM.

Pursuant to the Governor Abbott's Temporary Suspension of Open Meetings Laws issued on March 16, 2020, this meeting will be conducted via videoconference, which will be audible to the Board and public and allow for two-way communication. The Board President, presiding officer of trustees were physically present at one location, a quorum will be required for the meeting on the videoconference or phone. The public may access this meeting or obtain an electronic copy of the agenda packet at <https://www.dentonisd.org/trustees>.

The meeting was called to order by President Barbara Burns who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Alexander, Burns, Chadwick, Price, Sosa-Sanchez, Smith, and Stafford

Board Members Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Wilson, Niven, Mattingly, Pierce, Stripling, Perkins, O'Bara, Rainey, Robinson, Russell, Stewart, Stevenson, Valenta and Zwahr

Others: Marshall Reid, *Denton Record Chronicle*; Randy Stout, Attorney; citizens, staff, and students.

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

Presentations/ Recognitions The Denton High Boys Cross Country team finished third at the UIL State Cross Country Meet at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock. It is believed that this is the highest finish posted by a Boys Cross Country Team from Denton High in the school's history. The Broncos finished with a team score of 131 with five runners finishing in the Top 45 of the state's elite runners. The team was also the District 6-5A Runner-Up and the Region 1-5A Runner-Up leading up to their historic finish at State.

Guyer High's Brynn Brown, senior, posted a new course and state record of 16:25.89 in running 5K to win her first UIL Class 6A State Cross Country title at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock in November.

Mark Kiraly, Ryan High School, teaches AP Calculus each day to our local students. He also teaches students across the nation through his affiliation with AP Daily and The College Board. During this time when teaching

students both face-to-face and via ConnectedLearning, Mr. Kiraly has not only mastered his subject area, he stands as an example of how to offer the highest quality of instruction via dual platforms.

Our district is fortunate to partner with six law enforcement agencies in our community to provide our students and staff direct access to officers during the course of a school day. Their presence and ability to build relationships helps to prevent and assist many during challenging times.

COVID-19
Update

Dr. Richardson, Denton County Health Department are seeing a significant rise of transmission of Covid. Dr. Richardson said within the next two weeks we will see two safe vaccines, Pfizer and Moderna rollout in the Metroplex. Denton County had over 850 Covid cases today.

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

Discussion of
Annual Financial
Audit Report for
Year Ending
June 30, 2020

Carl Deaton from the audit firm Hankins, Eastup, Deaton, Tonn & 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.

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

Discussion of
Annual School
Safety &
Security Report

Dr. Jeff Russell, Area Superintendent reviewed the present District security procedures. He also reviewed the security precautions and reviewed enhancements that the district has implemented regarding student and staff safety. The District received a \$488,000 grant to enhance the safety and security of the District that was received in Spring of 2020. The grant funds will be used for 3M impact resistant film that will be used in campus entryways and additional cameras at middle school campuses. The District has expanded the roll with a safety and security Director, Lt. Mays.

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

Connected
Learning Update

Dr. Gwen Perkins, Area Superintendent provided the Board with the most current Connected Learning enrollment and Face-2-Face enrollment numbers by each high school zone. Overall, the District has 71.39 % of students are F2F and 28.71 % are Connected Learning students.

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

Discussion of Facility Naming	<p>The purpose of this report is to review district process and procedures for naming or renaming school facilities. Also, to review current and upcoming facilities for naming considerations and current facilities for potential renaming. Naming of school facilities is an integral part to telling the history of Denton ISD. As a fast growth school district, we have the opportunity to recognize local heroes who made a significant contribution to our greater Denton community</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Discussion of Denton ISD Resolution of Inclusivity	<p>The Board reviewed their Resolution for Inclusivity and was pleased with the phrasing used in the resolution.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Bond Progress Report	<p>Kathy Lawson, Co-Chair of the Bond Progress Committee provided the Board with an overview of the topics discussed at their November committee meeting.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Bond Refunding Program Update	<p>Dr. Scott Niven, CFO provided the Board of Trustees with an update on the bond refunding program. On November 24, 2020, the District sold \$269,445,000 in 2020 refunding bonds with significant savings to the taxpayers. Based on the refunding parameters presented during the October 13, 2020 the district was able to save taxpayers \$67,124,217 in future interest costs without extending the overall life of the bonds. The all-in interest cost dropped from 4.89% to 2.11%.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
2 nd Reporting Period Attendance Report	<p>There are 27 instructional days in this 2nd Reporting Period. The district ADA % for 2020-2021 Reporting Period 2 is 97.45%, this is an increase from last school year when the ADA % was 96.51%.</p> <p>According to the data currently in eSchoolPlus, Blanton had the highest ADA percentage for elementary campuses in Denton ISD at 98.93%. Harpool had the highest ADA percentage for middle school campuses in Denton ISD at 99.78%. Guyer had the highest ADA percentage for high school campuses in Denton ISD at 97.73%.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Open Forum	<p>No one wished to speak.</p>

Consent Agenda Motion by Doug Chadwick and seconded by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez

To approve (the minutes of the November 17, 2020, Board meeting; personnel matters, leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of November 30, 2020; Investment Report as of October 31, 2020; approval of RFP #2010-17 Fine Arts Supplies, Services, Equipment, Repair awarded to all responding vendors that submitted a completed RFP response; approval of RFP #C2018-01D Professional Services (Staff & Student Training & Engagement) to all responding vendors that submitted a completed RFP response; approval of the Interlocal Agreement between ESC Region 2 Goodbuy Purchasing Program; approval of the Interlocal Agreement between ESC Region 6 Educational Purchasing Interlocal Cooperative (EPIC6); approval of the Architectural Services Contract for Corgan Associates, Inc. for the renovations for Denton Transportation Facility West, Calhoun Middle School, Crownover Middle School, and McMath Middle School and the new Denton Transportation Facility East; approval of two separate Construction Manager contracts with Balfour Beatty Construction, LLC. These agreements will name Balfour Beatty as Construction Manager at Risk for the renovations at Braswell High School and Carrico Stadium and the new construction of Sandbrock Ranch Elementary School; approval of the purchase from Dell Marketing LP in the amount of \$2,608,000.00 for the purchase of 8,000 Chromebooks; approval of Chief Financial Officer approve the Request for Qualifications and Market Assignments followed by a Request for Proposal to be issued for obtaining property coverages for the term: July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; approval and authorization for the Superintendent to add up to eighty (80) hours additional local leave (sick) time to Board policy DEC (Local) for employees for COVID quarantine and isolation for the spring 2021 semester and approval of the Board Resolution, Visa Commercial Credit Card Application and Rebate Authorization Agreement between UMB Bank and the Denton Independent School District).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Jim Alexander

Approval of Annual Financial Report for Year Ending June 30, 2020 To approve the Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2020

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Charles Stafford

Approval of District/Campus Improvement Plans 2020-2021 To approve the District/Campus Improvement Plans for 2020-2021.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider Approval of Modifications to Spring 2021 Calendar	Motion by Doug Chadwick and seconded by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez To approve of the modification to the 2020-2021 calendar as presented The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.
Consider Approval of School Calendar 2021-2022	Motion by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez and seconded by Mia Price To approve the traditional school calendar for the 2021-2022 school year. The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.
Consider Approval of School Calendar- Additional Days School Year	Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez To approve of the Additional Day School Year (ADSY) 2021-2022 calendar for consideration at identified elementary campuses. The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.
Consider Approval of Detachment and Annexation Agreement Between Denton ISD and Ponder ISD	Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez To approve the Detachment and Annexation Agreement with Ponder ISD. The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.
Consider Approval of Denton ISD Resolution of Inclusivity	Motion by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez and seconded by Charles Stafford To approve the Denton ISD Resolution of Inclusivity The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.
Consider Approval of Resolution to Include Public School District Personnel in the Vaccine Allotment Panel's Definition of Non-Healthcare	Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Charles Stafford To approve the Resolution Requesting Governor Abbott to Include Public School District Personnel in the Official Expert Vaccine Allotment Panel's Definition of Non-Healthcare Frontline Workers The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Frontline
Workers

Closed Meeting The Board convened into Closed Session at 9:21 pm

Open Meeting The Board reconvened into Open Session at 11:05 pm

Motion by Patsy Sosa-Sanchez and seconded by Mia Price

To approve that as of July 1, 2021 the elementary school formerly named for Woodrow Wilson be re-named in honor of Nette Schultz for her gifts to public education.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:11 pm

President

Secretary