

The Board of Trustees of Denton Independent School District, State of Texas, met in a Special Called meeting at the Clear Creek Natural Heritage Center, Intersection of Collins and Hartlee Field Road, Denton, Texas, on November 15, 2006 at 12:00 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Mia Price who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Gallian, Price, Schaake, Smith, and Stafford

Board Members Absent: Alexander, Ramsey

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Braswell, Rutherford, Wilson, Sharon Betty and Stevenson.

Tour & Discussion About Clear Creek Natural Heritage Center

Clear Creek Natural Heritage Center began as a partnership between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the City of Denton. Currently the Elm Fork Master Naturalist in partnership with the City of Denton has worked to see the conservation development of Clear Creek Natural Heritage Center. Clear Creek is a 2700 acre natural preserve with maintained trails and signage, footbridges, Wood Duck houses, Blue Bird houses, benches, an outdoor learning area with informational kiosk and seating areas.

Funding was part of a City of Denton Bond package which passed in to help develop Clear Creek and build an educational building. In a 1999 Bond package, Denton ISD voters also approved funds to assist in the development of the Clear Creek Nature Center. Until the environmental educational facility can be built, an interim 3000 square foot structure is scheduled for completion in March 2007. This is planned to house classroom space, exhibits, restrooms and storage. Elm Fork Chapter Master Naturalists will participate in establishing curriculum, volunteering as instructors and creating exhibits for this building.

This area is also a certified site for Monarch butterfly tagging as Denton lies within the main Monarch migration path.

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

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Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 PM

President

Secretary