

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 11, 2011 at 6:00 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Mia Price who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members      Alexander, Harris, Price, Ramsey, Rodriguez, Smith, and Stafford

Present:

Board Members

Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel      Braswell, Wilson, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Stephens, Cox and  
Present:                  Stevenson.

Others:                  Brittany Tabor, *Denton Record Chronicle*; DEA; Randy Stout, Attorney;  
citizens, staff, and students.

Pledges:                  The pledges to the flags were led by Crownover Middle School students.

Presentations/  
Recognitions              Ginnings and E.P. Rayzor students' artwork was recently displayed at the  
Texas Association of School Boards and Texas Association of School  
Administrators conference in Austin.

Dr. Linda Hilgenbrinck, adaptive physical education teacher, has been  
named the Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and  
Dance Adapted Physical Educator of the Year.

Wilson Elementary and Houston Elementary have been named among the  
top elementary schools in the state by the Texas Business and Education  
Coalition. A TBEC honor roll school must have a high percentage of  
students meeting state standards on every section of the Texas Assessment of  
Knowledge and Skills for three consecutive years. This is the fifth  
consecutive year that Wilson has received this honor and the first time  
Houston Elementary has earned a spot on the TBEC Honor Roll.

Public Hearing  
on "School  
FIRST" Rating              Debbie Monschke, executive director of administrative services, presented  
the Board the results of the Schools Financial Integrity Rating System of  
Texas. The district posted a score of 73 to gain a superior achievement rating  
as assigned by the Texas Education Agency for its management of financial  
resources during the 2009-10 school year.

Public Hearing opened at 6:23 p.m. Mr. Tony Mitchell, parent inquired about  
the class sizes and how this was arrived at for the purpose of the FIRST  
report.

Public Hearing Closed at 6:25 p.m.

1 <sup>st</sup> Open Forum	Mr. Smith addressed the Board regarding his son being un-enrolled from GHS due to the campus not being able to verify his guardians address.
STAAR/End of Course Update	<p>Dr. Mike Mattingly provided the Board of Trustees with the latest details related to the State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness (STAAR) including the End of Course (EOC) exams. The delivery of the assessments will be somewhat similar to the delivery of the TAKS in past years. The district will follow an assessment calendar that is provided by the TEA. The STAAR (including the End Of Course) system will provide the accountability data for NCLB AYP status as well as the State of Texas accountability rating system for individual schools and the district overall.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Discussion of Revision to Local Policies EIA, EIAB, EIC, FB & FFH	<p>Jamie Wilson provided the Board of Trustees with an overview of TASB Local policies EIA, EIAB, EIC, FB, and FFH. These policies will provide the district oversight in Grading/Progress Reports to Parents, Makeup Work, and Class Ranking. Changes to other Local policies are official name changes in oversight for Equal Educational Opportunity, and Student Welfare.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Discussion of Reauthorization of ESEA	<p>Dr. Braswell updated the Board on the reauthorization of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act, which was originally passed as the No Child Left Behind Act in 2002. Dr. Braswell said the National School Board Association has developed a strategy to allow state and local school districts more flexibility in measuring student accountability and school performance. The Board of Trustees passed a resolution to reauthorize the outdated ESEA legislation and urged the Department of Education to offer regulatory relief on current statues in regard to student accountability and school performance.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Discussion of Options on School Finance Lawsuit	<p>Dr. Braswell discussed the options of two lawsuits that address the financing of public education in Texas. The Equity Center out of Austin and Thompson &amp; Horton Attorneys out of Houston are both in the process of filing lawsuits against the State of Texas for education finance reform.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Discussion of DCAD Nominations	<p>The Denton Central Appraisal District has requested its taxing jurisdictions to nominate up to five people to be considered for their Board of Directors. The nominations must be returned to the Denton Appraisal District by</p>

October 15, 2011. An appraisal district director must reside in the appraisal district for a t least two years immediately proceeding the date he or she takes office. Most residents are eligible to serve as a director. An individual that is serving on the governing body of a city, county, or school district is eligible to serve as an appraisal district's director.

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Discussion of  
Fund Balance  
Assignments

Dr. Braswell outlined how Denton ISD planned to hire an additional 17 FTEs (Teachers and/or aides) to assist in the kindergarten and first-grade classes that have exceeded the 22 to 1 student-teacher ratios. Funding for these additional staff members, which is anticipated to cost about \$1 million, will come from additional revenue in the 2010-11 budget.

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2<sup>nd</sup> Open Forum

No one wished to speak

Consent Agenda

Motion by Curtis Ramsey and seconded by Glenna Harris

To approve the (minutes of the September 27, 2011 board meeting; personnel matters and personnel leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of September 30, 2011; Approval of the Mutual Aid Agreement for Mass Evacuations between Denton ISD and City of Denton; Approval for Guyer High School Band to travel out-of-state for a memorial performance in Washington, D.C., April 14-17, 2012).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider  
Approval of  
DCAD  
Nominations

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Rudy Rodriquez

To nominate Charles Stafford as the DISD nominee for the Denton Central Appraisal District Board of Directors.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider  
Approval of  
NSBA & AASA  
Deregulation  
Resolution

Motion by Curtis Ramsey and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve the NSBA & AASA Deregulation of No Child Left Behind Resolution

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 9:15 p.m.

Open Meeting      The Board reconvened into Open Session at 11:20 p.m.

                         Motion by Curtis Ramsey and seconded by Glenna Harris

                         To uphold the Administration's response to the Level 2 grievance.

                         The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Adjournment:      The meeting adjourned at 11:26 p.m.

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President

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Secretary