The Board of Trustees of Denton Independent School District, State of Texas, met in a special meeting at the Denton ISD Central Services building, 1307 N. Locust St., Denton, Texas, on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 6:02 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Glenna Harris who announced that a quorum was present.

**Board Members** 

Alexander, Burns, Harris, Martinez, Price, Smith and Stafford

Present:

**Board Members** 

Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

Present:

School Personnel Wilson, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Valenta, Sargent, Hicks, Stevenson

and Zavala

Others: Brittany Tabor, *Denton Record Chronicle*; DEA; Randy Stout, Attorney;

citizens, staff, and students.

Pledges: The pledges to the flags were led by Cross Oaks Elementary School students.

Presentations/ Recognitions

Denton High School accounted for 16 top-10 finishes and an eighth-place showing at the 33rd annual Texas State German Contest. Four students represented Denton High against hundreds of students from across the state in a variety of academic and cultural categories highlighting the German language and culture. The state competition allows German Club students and sponsors to share what they've learned throughout the year in a fun and festive atmosphere, while providing scholarship opportunities for students and grant opportunities for teachers.

Five Ryan High i-TECH club students won first place and two earned second place at the Technology Students Association State Competition. The Ryan i-TECH Club encourages students to develop projects based in architectural and engineering concepts to compete at district and state level competitions. At monthly meetings, students learn from industry professionals to expose them to real world issues and professionals.

1<sup>st</sup> Open Forum

Willie Hudspeth feels the Cross Oaks pledgers represented the diverse population of Denton that he has been looking for. Mr. Hudspeth also commented Denton ISD did not have enough African American leadership rolls or as principals.

Discussion of Instruction

Dr. Mike Mattingly provided the Board with information regarding the upcoming adoption of new textbooks using the Instructional Materials

Materials Allotment Textbook Proclamation Allotment and rules of the Texas Education Agency Proclamation 2015. Textbook/Instructional Materials to be considered in Denton ISD as provided by Proclamation 2015 are:

- Fine Arts K-12
- Social Studies K-12
- Science MS, and HS excepting Bio
- Mathematics HS

Instructional materials must meet at least 50% of the elements (student expectations) of the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS)—for the subject and grade level for which the materials are intended—in both the student version and the teacher version of the instructional materials.

This is for information only. No action is required.

## Early Childhood Update

Vicki Sargent, Exec. Director of Elementary Academic programs provided the Board with updates regarding the recent expansion of the PreK program to campuses in Denton ISD, current enrollment / growth of the program, the partnership with Fred Moore Day Nursery to form FM@G. The District has sought partnerships with local agencies to expand services. The District's initial partnership with Fred Moore Day School has shown exceptional results. A possible partnership with Denton City County Day School will allow additional students to be served.

This is for information only. No action is required.

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Barbara Burns to move the Legislative Update up on the Agenda.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

## Lone Star TIA Update

Dwight Goodwin, Director of Instructional Technology presented the Board the planning progress of the upcoming 2015 Lone Star TIA (Technology In Action) conference hosted by Denton ISD. Lone Star TIA is currently a self-funded event (via participant registration, vendor sponsorships, and donations) and District funds are not required to produce this event. This year's event will be held at Ryan High School July 21 & 22.

This is for information only. No action is required.

Budget Discussion for 2015-2016 School Year Debbie Monschke reviewed the summary of budget changes for the 2015-2016 budget year.

This is for information only. No action is required.

Legislative Update

Dr. Wilson reviewed the current Senate and House bills and outlined the impact of the currently proposed legislation with regard to the district's budget, specifically the impact on Pre-K Education.

2015-2016 Incoming Kindergartner Outreach Activities Report Vicki Sargent, Exec. Director of Elementary Academic Programs provided an update on the activities planned on elementary campuses for 2015-16 incoming kindergartners and their parents. Ms. Sargent provided the Board with dates and activities planned for 2015-16 incoming kindergarten students and parents.

This is for information only. No action is required.

University of North Texas Eagle Advantage Program Report Mario Zavala, Director of Communications & Community Relations provided the Board with information on the new Eagle Advantage program. This will be a benefit to district students as it will provide juniors relief of having to stress over college admission, should they choose to attend UNT. Juniors who rank in the top 20 percent of their graduating class, meet all Texas Success Initiatives (TSI) requirements, submit their ACT/SAT scores and complete the application process receive automatic admission into UNT. Current Denton ISD 2015 seniors will receive the same benefits as all juniors. UNT will provide a \$1,000 scholarship to each high school to award a participating Eagle Advantage junior.

This is for information only. No action is required.

LEA
Determination
Status

Under IDEA, Texas is required to make annual determination of the District's performance based on several criteria. Based on letter dated March 20, 2015 the Determination status of "Meets Requirements" indicates that processes and systems implemented collaboratively by the Department of Special Education, special education support staff and campus personnel have resulted in meeting numerous compliance timelines and in improving specialized programming for students with disabilities. Denton ISD received the 2013-2014 Local Education Agency (LEA) Determination Report status of "Meets Requirements".

This is for information only. No action is required.

2<sup>nd</sup> Open Forum

No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve (the minutes for the April 21, 2015 Board meeting; personnel matters, leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of March 31, 2015; Investment Report as of February 28, 2015; Head Start Compliance Reports for February and March 2015; Instructional Materials Allotment (IMA) and TEKS Certification 2015-2016; approval of CSP

150326 for Instructional Supplies, Equipment, Miscellaneous Furnishing and Related Supplies; approval of CSP 150311 proposal which includes Athletic, Training, PE, Dance and Cheer, Award Jacket, and Awards for uniforms, apparel, accessories, supplies, equipment and monogramming/embroidery services; approval of BBVA Compass for depository services from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017; approval of addendum to the existing MOU between DISD and the Denton State Supported Living Center regarding the Foster Grandparent Program; approval of TASB Local Update 101 on second reading; and approval of waiver of penalty and interest for account number 281496DEN).

By approval of the consent agenda the following principals were named:

- Lesli Guajardo was named principal of Braswell High School. Lesli Guajardo, principal at Hurst Junior High School in the HEB ISD, is the first principal of Braswell High School.
- Shaun Perry was named principal of Guyer High School. Shaun has been the principal of Navo Middle School and he replaces Barbara Fisher who is retiring after 30 years in education.
- Marcus Bourland, assistant principal of McKinney High School, was named the principal at the LaGrone Advanced Technology Complex. He will replace Carla Ruge, who will finish the school year, and then begin serving as the district's director of career and technology education.
- Robin Brownell, assistant principal of Pecan Creek Elementary, will be the new principal of Hawk Elementary. She is replacing Susannah O'Bara, who was approved as the district's second executive director of elementary academic services beginning in the fall.
- Rosa Oliveira, interim principal of W.S. Ryan Elementary, was named the permanent principal of W.S. Ryan.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Approval of Resolution Expressing Official Intent to Reimburse Costs of Projects Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Barbara Burns

To approve of the Resolution Expressing Official Intent to Reimburse Costs of Projects.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider Approval of Elementary #23 Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Jim Alexander

To approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$19,092,551 plus additional construction cost of \$367,082 for a total construction cost of \$19,459,633 submitted by Balfour Beatty for the construction of Elementary #23. This project will be funded from the 2013 Bond Authorization and 2007 Bond

	Contingency funds.
	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 8:04 pm
Open Meeting	The Board reconvened into Open Session at 9:50 pm
Adjournment:	The meeting adjourned at 10:05 pm
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	Secretary