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Minutes of the June 30, 2008 Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on June 30, 2008 at 6:35 p.m. in the Board Room of the Vonita White Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by President Cindy Warner.

Members present: Cindy Warner, President; Bennett Ratliff, Vice President; Susie Kemp, Secretary; Scott Orr; David Apple; Anthony Hill and Thom Hulme. A quorum was present.

Staff present: Dr. Jeff N. Turner, Superintendent; Kay Ryon, Assistant Secretary; Judy Denman; Kelly Penny; Chad Branum; Tamerah Ringo; Donna Carpenter; Denise Sullivan; Dr. Monica Uphoff; Brad Hunt; and Michelle King

Legal counsel present: Bob Luna and David Ritter

Notice of this meeting was posted on Friday, June 27, 2008 at 1:43 p.m.

At 6:35 p.m. President Warner declared the Board in Closed Session as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), Section 551.072 (Deliberations Regarding Real Property), and Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters).

At 7:36 p.m. President Warner declared the Board in Open Session

The invocation was given by Thom Hulme.

AWARDS

Mackenzie Orr and **Victoria Ringhausen** were recognized. Both students were named “Outstanding Soloists” at the UIL Texas State Solo-Ensemble Competition and received a rating of “1.”

Mike Yakubovsky (CHS teacher) and **Sid Nivas** (student) represented the Coppell High School Engineering Program. The program received a \$2,000,000 grant in software from AGI to use in the solar car and robotics engineering programs, providing students with the same tools that scientists and engineers use at NASA.

OPEN FORUM

The following individuals signed up to address the Board during the Open Forum portion of the meeting: Rick Selah, Doug Roberts, Dean Trudell, Eli Dragon, Bob Reynolds, Kevin Rucker and Marcy McGrady. Due to the nature of their comments, these individuals agreed to speak individually with the Board in Closed Session (following the business portion of the Board meeting) rather than in an Open Forum.

BOARD REPORTS

Board President - Cindy Warner presented Board campus and committee appointments.

Various Board members provided comments regarding the TASB Summer Leadership Institute held in San Antonio from June 12-14, 2008.

Anthony Hill reported on the North Texas Area Association of School Boards. NTAASB meetings are scheduled for September 10, 2008; November 12, 2008; February 11, 2009; and April 15th, 2009.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Jeff Turner gave a report on the Visioning Institute and outlined the use of a white paper written by members that will be presented to legislators, TASB, and other school boards.

Donna Carpenter gave a report on the CATE program.

Preliminary TAKS results were presented by Dr. Monica Uphoff.

Denise Sullivan, Director of Purchasing, gave an informational report on purchasing cooperative fees paid by Coppell ISD. This report is in compliance with House Bill 273.

CONSENT

Bennett Ratliff made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Approve the minutes of the May 19, 2008 and June 2, 2008 meetings
2. Approve 2007-2008 Budget Amendments
3. Approve Financial Report for May 2008
4. Approve Investment Report for period ending May 31, 2008

Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Item 5 (Approve waiver request for Coppell Middle School East to become a Title 1 “schoolwide” campus) on the consent agenda was considered separately. David Apple made a motion to approve the waiver request for CMS East to become a Title 1 “schoolwide” campus. Susie Kemp seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

ACTION

Item B (Consider purchase of the IEP+ Special Education database) was removed from the agenda.

Thom Hulme made a motion to increase the authorized cost sharing maximum amount of attorney fees with the City of Coppell for the North Lake property litigation an additional \$400,000 totaling \$1,600,000. Scott Orr seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Bennett Ratliff made a motion to adopt Policy FNAA (LOCAL) – Student Expression – Distribution of Nonschool Literature, as presented. Thom Hulme seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Scott Orr made a motion to adopt Policy FNAB (LOCAL) – Student Expression – Use of School Facilities for Nonschool Purposes, as presented. Susie Kemp seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Action on Item F (Consider approval of Board Policy GKD (LOCAL) – Community Relations – Nonschool Use of School Facilities) was postponed to the next meeting, and administration was directed to seek clarification from TASB regarding the “Exception” section of the policy.

Scott Orr made a motion to adopt Policy GKDA (LOCAL) – Nonschool Use of School Facilities – Distribution of Nonschool Literature, as presented. Bennett Ratliff seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

At 8:58 p.m. President Warner declared the Board in Closed Session as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.074 (personnel matters). Each person who signed up to speak during Open Forum was allowed five minutes to address his/her concerns to the Board of Trustees while in Closed Session. David Apple recused himself from this portion of the Closed Session.

At 10:55 p.m. President Warner declared the Board in Open Session.

Scott Orr made a motion to accept resignations for CISD professional personnel as recommended by the Superintendent. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Anthony Hill made a motion to employ professional personnel, subject to assignment, as recommended by the Superintendent. Thom Hulme seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Bennett Ratliff made a motion to approve the salary schedules for professional and administrative staff as presented. David Apple seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 11:03 p.m.

Cindy Warner, Board President

Susie Kemp, Secretary