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Minutes of the November 15, 2004 Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on November 15, 2004 at 6:53 p.m. in the Board Room of the Coppell Independent School District Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by President, Kathie Gautille.

Members present: Kathie Gautille, President; Cindy Warner, Vice-President; Bennett Ratliff, Assistant Secretary; Mike Arthur; Allen Mushinski, Susie Kemp; and Scott Orr. A quorum was present.

Staff present: Dr. Jeff N. Turner, Superintendent and Lisa Ganz, Secretary

Notice of this meeting was posted on November 10, 2004 at 2:15 p.m.

At 6:53 p.m. President Gautille declared the Board in closed session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, personnel matters, as allowed by Section 551.074.

At 7:32 p.m. President Gautille declared the Board in Open Session.

The invocation was given by Kathie Gautille.

AWARDS

We would like to honor the 2004-05 Coppell High School Marching Band for qualifying and competing for this year's State U.I.L. Marching Competition.

Section Leaders

Chris Rhea-Drum Major
Alex McKee-Drum Major
Sean O'Quinn-Drum Major
Amy Brunner-French Horn
Collin Bass-Tuba
Amy Brogniez-Trumpet
Elise Frederich-Clarinet
Joel Wiersum-Percussion
Julia Fu-Percussion
Lisa Manson-Flute
Colin McRaney-Clarinet
Austin Click-Euphonium
Jennifer Mares-Color Guard
Philip Talbert-Trombone

Band Directors

Scott Mason
Roger Pace
Mike Davis
Jerime Harris
Mike Hodges
James Thomas
Aaron Duke

These section leaders are standing here on behalf of the entire CHS Marching Band. This year the band marched their way through a tough new division landing a second place finish at regionals and going all the way to San Antonio to compete at the 2004 U.I.L. 5A State Marching Band contest. With a grand performance they placed 11th among 31 teams.

Next we are honored to recognize a younger member of the school district. Jenny is a second grader at Lee Elementary and a very talented artist. Last spring as a first grader, Jenny submitted a drawing to the GapKids “Dream It, Draw It” contest. 25,000 entries were submitted nationwide and hers was one of 10 entries chosen. As a winner she received \$10,000 to give to her school, Lee Elementary and a \$500 personal gift card to the GAP and other GAP affiliates including William Sanoma, Old Navy and Banana Republic. Jenny’s artwork is displayed in the local GAP stores and at Lee. We also have a poster of Jenny’s artwork so you all can see what a great young artist she is!

OPEN FORUM

Denise Johnson addressed the Board of Trustees regarding the trimester system at CHS.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Mrs. Gautille reported on the Safe & Drug Free Schools Steering Committee. You may recall Dr. Turner asked for this committee to discuss doing drug testing in our schools. Dr. Lupia heads up this committee. Focus groups were conducted by an independent facilitator and were conducted at an outside facility. The findings of the focus groups will be presented after the Thanksgiving holiday break. The committee will bring their findings to the school board sometime in early spring.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mrs. Warner reported that she received a phone call this week from Robert Seward asking her to be part of the Joint TASA/TASB School Funding Committee. The first committee meeting will be held Thursday, December 2, 2004 in Austin.

Dr. Arthur reminded the board and the community about the purpose of the Education Foundation. The prize patrol will be visiting campuses next month to award grant money. Red and Black Attack is the annual drive that the foundation puts on to raise the funds to give back to CISD. You will notice the yard signs that have been posted in many of your neighbor’s yards.

Mrs. Kemp reported that the district would like to put together a community group to discuss several different topics to use during the upcoming budget process, thus, allowing the district to communicate these different issues and topics to the community. The City Council has used this process for the past several years. The summit would be held sometime in early January, 2005.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Curriculum Report:

Pamela Crites presented the Service Learning Report Update. Service Learning is teaching and learning approach that integrates community service with academic study to enrich learning, teach civic responsibility, and strengthen communities.

Mr. Seeley, Chief Financial Officer, gave the Board of Trustees an update regarding the Cypress Waters Development - Northlake Property.

CONSENT

Cindy Warner made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Approve Resolution for Participation in the Educational Purchasing Cooperative of North Texas
2. Approve Budget Amendments for 2004-2005
3. Approve Financial Report for September 2004
4. Approve the Minutes of the October 25, 2004, November 8, 2004 Meetings

Bennett Ratliff seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

ACTION

Cindy Warner made a motion to approve the Campus Improvement Plans as presented. Susie Kemp seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Mike Arthur made a motion to approve the District Improvement Plan as presented. Scott Orr seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Mike Arthur made a motion to accept resignations for CISD professional personal as per list presented. Bennett Ratliff seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Susie Kemp made a motion to employ professional personnel as per attached list, subject to assignment, as recommended by the administration. Cindy Warner seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Kathie Gautille, Board President

Lisa Ganz, Secretary