

Minutes of the March 29, 2004 Regular School Board Meeting

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The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on March 29, 2004 at 7:34 p.m. in the Board Room of the Coppell Independent School District Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by President, Deena Reeve.

Members present: Deena Reeve, President; Dianne Miller, Vice President; Cindy Warner; and Bennett Ratliff. A quorum was present.

Members absent: Kathie Gauthille and Mike Arthur

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

Notice of this meeting was posted on March 24, 2004 at 10:00 a.m.

At 6:41 p.m. President Reeve declared the Board in closed session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, personnel matters, as allowed by Section 551.074.

At 7:34 p.m. President Reeve declared the Board in Open Session.

The invocation was given by Cindy Warner.

AWARDS

Alex Oldencamp won 1st Place at the Class 5A U.I.L. State Swim Meet in the 50-yard freestyle event. His time was 21.23 seconds, his personal best. **Jesse Cole** is his coach.

March is Youth Art Month and **Christopher Lamlamay** (student at Coppell High School) and **Kevin Songco** (student at Valley Ranch Elementary) have artwork displayed at the state capitol. Christopher's teacher is **Tamera Westervelt** and Kevin's art teacher is **Katherine Bolling**.

Mai Le is a freshman at Coppell High School and Mai's flag design was selected to go to Washington, D.C. to be hung at our nation's capitol. **Monica Winter** is her Art Teacher. This is the second year in a row that a student from Coppell High School has won the honor of having their flag design displayed at our nation's capitol in Washington D.C.

Sarah La Fountain was selected as a participant in NASA's long-duration experiment that astronauts were schedule to launch on the shuttle and place aboard the International Space Station. Sarah was honored at a banquet at the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Florida this month. She assisted scientists from the Marshall Space Flight Center in loading biological samples that were frozen until time for the launch. Due to the Columbia disaster all NASA experiments have been put on hold and may not materialize. Sarah was recognized for her outstanding research and excellent essay.

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Jane Jackson, CHS tennis coach, was named by the Dallas Morning News as “Coach of the Year.”

Travis West recently participated in the State U.I.L. Wrestling Championship and is the 160 lb. Division State Champion!

Brandon Close won 2nd Place in the 180 lb. Division at state.

Lilian Marques won 2nd Place in the 102 lb. Girls’ Division at state. Lilian pinned the #1 ranked girl in the state in the quarter finals to advance. This is quite an accomplishment for a second year wrestler. **She is Coppell's first lady STATE Finalist. Amanda Muncer** – was also a 138 lb. State Qualifier at this year’s U.I.L meet.

Their coach is **Carl Stralow**.

OPEN FORUM

No one signed up to address the Board of Trustees in Open Forum.

REPORTS

Board Members

Dianne Miller stated that she attended the City Council Meeting held on Tuesday, March 23, 2004 where a grant to CISD in the amount of \$426,139.16 for nine (9) Spanish teachers was approved.

Cindy Warner, Kathie Gautille, and Dr. Jeff Turner attended the TASB Grassroots meeting that focuses on gathering input regarding TASB’s advocacy agenda for next year, and to work with the legislature regarding school finance issues. Mrs. Warner and Mrs. Gautille will also serve on the Legislative Advisory Council. The Legislative Advisory Council will meet on April 3 and May 22, 2004 in Austin.

Mrs. Warner commended the Coppell Chamber of Commerce and the City of Coppell for their efforts in adopting a resolution to support changes in school finance. Mrs. Warner stated that we are very fortunate to have such strong supporters!

Mr. Bennett Ratliff stated that he, Dr. Turner, Mayor Doug Stover, City Manager Jim Witt, Cindy Warner, and Kathie Gautille met with Senator Harris on March 10, 2004 to discuss school

finance and the surrounding issues. Mr. Ratliff noted that Senator Harris is the most senior member of the Senate.

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Superintendent

Dr. Paul Lupia presented the results of the third grade TAKS test results.

Susan Jamieson presented the Special Education Transition Proposal which is a non-traditional, off campus; community based individualized transition service for students 18-20 years of age with significant disabilities.

Tabitha Branum gave a short portal registration update. The district will hold additional portal registration on Saturday, April 3, Monday, April 5, and Wednesday April 7, 2004.

CONSENT

Dianne Miller made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Approve Administration's Recommendation for Textbook Adoptions
2. Adoption of the following Local District Updates: AE-Mission Statement; DAA-Title IX Coordinator; DEA-Compensator Time; and EIAB-Truancy
3. Approve Budget Amendments for February 2004
4. Approve Financial Report for February 2004
5. Approve the Minutes of the February 16, 2004 Meeting

Cindy Warner seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

ACTION

Cindy Warner made a motion to approve the Resolution and Agreement with LaSalle Bank National Association for the lease-purchase of new copiers for the District; authorize the Secretary of the Board to sign the proposed Resolution and authorize Dr. Jeff N. Turner, Superintendent or Ralph Seeley, Assistant Superintendent for Business to sign the Agreement, conditioned upon the administration reaching an agreement with Premier Systems, Inc. for servicing copiers and obtaining a release of existing lease obligations in a form that is satisfactory to the administration and counsel for the District and upon drafting a satisfactory Escrow Agreement with LaSalle Bank National Association. Dianne Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Bennett Ratliff made a motion to adopt the Long-Range Technology Plan as presented. Dianne Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

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Dianne Miller made a motion to accept resignations for CISD professional personal as per list presented. Bennett Ratliff seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Dianne Miller made a motion to approve term and probationary contracts as recommended by the Administration and Superintendent. Bennett Ratliff seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

Deena Reeve, Board President

Lisa Ganz, Secretary