

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, January 14, 2020 at 6:00 PM. The meeting was called to order by President Barbara Burns who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Alexander, Burns, Chadwick, Martinez, Price, Smith and Stafford

Board Members Absent:
Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Wilson, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Valenta, Lopez, Perkins, O'Bara, Stevenson and Zwahr
Others: Marshall Reid, *Denton Record Chronicle*; DEA; Randy Stout, Attorney; citizens, staff, and students.

Pledges: The pledges to the flags were led by Newton Rayzor Elementary School students.

Presentations/ Recognitions Gary Henderson, CEO of United Way of Denton County was presented a check in the amount of \$108,000 which District staff, including teachers, paraprofessionals, bus drivers, cafeteria workers, administrators, custodial, maintenance and support staff, have pledged to the United Way of Denton County following the 2019-2020 campaign kick-off.

12 Denton ISD educators became the first recipients of the new Certificate of Biliteracy from the Texas Woman's University (TWU) Department of Literacy and Learning. The program affords students courses that count toward a master's degree in Reading with the opportunity to become a certified reading specialist or choose to receive the graduate certificate. The partnership is one of many the district is cultivating to address teacher shortages in key focus areas.

The College Board honored 137 Denton ISD high school students with distinctions for 2019, according to their annual list of recipients who are named Advanced Placement Scholars. The national program recognizes individuals who have demonstrated college-level achievement through exceptional scores in AP courses and on AP exams. Students are awarded based on four levels including: AP Scholar, AP Scholar with Honor, AP Scholar with Distinction and National AP Scholar.

Students receive an award certificate from The College Board and although there is no monetary award, this achievement is acknowledged on any score

report that is sent to colleges. The Board of Trustees recognized AP Scholars from Braswell, Denton and Ryan High Schools.

January is School Board Recognition month in Texas and Denton ISD is joining districts across the state in recognizing the outstanding work our Trustees put in each year to ensure the children of the 17 communities Denton ISD serves receive a quality education. Students and staff presented a token of appreciation on behalf of the district to each member in honor of their service.

1st Open Forum

Ann Pape & Kathy Duke – Communities In Schools (CIS) addressed the Board stating they sever 8 DISD campuses and wanted to extend an invitation to the upcoming Stay in *School Banquet* on April 24th, 2020.

Public Hearing
for Texas
Academic
Performance
Report (TAPR)

President Burns opened the TAPR Public Hearing at 6:44 pm.

Marcia Kellum and Carmen Lipscomb presented an overview of the Early Literacy Inventory for 2018-2019.

- 69% of the Kindergarten students reached the Text Reading Level benchmark by May 2019
- 72% of the First Grade students reached the Text Reading Level benchmark by May 2019
- 74% of the Second Grade students reached the Text Reading Level benchmark by May 2019

Spanish Early Literacy Inventory 2018-2019

- 74% of the Kindergarten students reached the Text Reading Level benchmark by May 2019
- 78% of the First Grade students reached the Text Reading Level benchmark by May 2019
- 61% of the Second Grade students reached the Text Reading Level benchmark by May 2019

Lyneille Meza, Director of Data and Assessment conducted a Public Hearing on the Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), which replaced the AEIS report. Lyneille Meza, Director of Data and Assessment gave an overview of student performance for Denton ISD. The District Accountability Rating is a B (89). The 2019 Special Education Determination Status-*Meets Requirement*. All campuses *Met Standard* on the Overall Performance Rating, and also earned a total of 60 Distinction Designations

Lyneille also reported Denton ISD was 100% compliant with the Federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act. This Act requires that all academic classroom teachers* must be Highly Qualified (HQ) in the areas they are assigned to

teach. In general, under the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB), the Highly Qualified (HQ) teacher must possess the following:

- Bachelor's Degree
- Full State Certification
- Demonstrated competency in the core academic subject taught (passing of the appropriate content area test)

No one wished to speak and President Burns closed the Public Hearing at 7:23 pm

This item is for information only. No action is required.

2020-2021
Budget Planning
Discussion

Jennifer Stewart, Director of Budgeting and presented an overview of the 20-21 budget planning cycle.

This item is for information only. No action is required.

Discussion &
Review of High
School Course
Planning Guide

Dr. Tibbeaux provided an overview of the updates of the High School planning guide to reflect changes in course offerings and other related policies and practices (e.g., GPA guidelines, college planning information, dual credit offerings). This course guide provides parents, students, administrators, counselors, teachers, and district personnel with a readily-available, accurate source of information related to district courses, course planning, and related policies and practices.

This item is for information only. No action is required.

Property Tax
Activity Report
Tax Year 2018-
2019

Mr. Mark Burroughs & Mr. Greg Sawko, Sawko & Burroughs, P.C presented the 2018-2019 property tax year ended September 30, 2019 delinquent ad valorem property tax collections year-end report. For the seventh year running, the current year delinquent tax (2018) collection rate exceeded 99%, at **99.41%** this year. The percentage last year was an all-time high of 99.60.

This item is for information only. No action is required.

2nd Open Forum

No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Dorothy Martinez

To approve the (minutes of the December 10, 2019 Board meeting; personnel matters, leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of December 31, 2019; Investment Report as of November 30, 2019; approval of Interlocal Agreement between the Central Texas Purchasing Alliance

Cooperative and the Denton Independent School District; approval of RFP #1909-15-B Food, General Grocery Items and Catering Services proposal be awarded to all responding vendors that submitted a complete RFP response; approval of RFP #1912-17 Paint Supplies, Equipment & Services to include Mural Artists; RFP #1802-01 Electrical Services award to C & G Electric be extended for the first renewal term of two-year (2) beginning March 1, 2020 through February 28, 2022; Approval of TASB Update 114 & EIA (Local) on 2nd reading; approval of an updated Police/School Liaison Interlocal Agreement between the City of Denton and the Denton Independent School District whereas the town shall provide Denton ISD with nine (9) certified police officers to serve as school resource officers (SROs) assigned to Denton High School (2), Ryan High School (2), Guyer High School (2), Calhoun Middle School, Strickland Middle School, and McMath Middle School and approval of the contract for Corgan Architects to provide architectural services for the Technology Building renovation).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Order of Trustee
Election

Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Doug Chadwick

To approve of the Order of Trustee Election to be held on May 2, 2020.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

3rd Open Forum

No one wished to speak.

Closed Meeting

The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:28 pm

Open Meeting

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 11:44 pm

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Doug Chadwick

To approve and accept the offer of the City of Denton for the purchase of land necessary for the widening of McKinney Street.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Jim Alexander

To approve that Denton Independent School District is of the opinion that a portion of its real estate situated on University Drive, Denton, Denton County, Texas the site of its former Administration Building, is no longer of use for an educational purpose.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 12:10 am

President

Secretary