

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, April 14, 2009 at 7:06 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Charles Stafford who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Alexander, Harris, Price, Ramsey, Rodriguez, Smith, and Stafford

Board Members Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Rutherford, Wilson, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Stephens, Cox and Stevenson.

Others: Brittany Tabor, *Denton Record Chronicle*; DEA; Randy Stout, Attorney; citizens, staff, and students.

Pledges: The pledges to the flags were led by Lee Elementary school students.

Presentations/ Recognitions Trevor Davila, junior at Denton High, recently was awarded an invitation to the American Invitational Mathematics Exam after scoring a 100.5 at the American Mathematics Competition. Only five percent of all students taking the AMC 12 Test scored at 97.5 or better. Other Denton High students who earned commendable AMC 12 scores were R.J. Ponder, sophomore; Eric Willis, junior; Patrick Burke, junior; Lee Chen, sophomore; Tim De Reuse, junior, and Jose Gallegos, junior; Gabe Klein, junior; Sylvia Li, junior; Stephen Place, junior; Clarissa Root, junior; Christine Ryu, junior, and Jesse Valencia, junior.

The Denton High Student Council recently was honored by earning the Sweepstakes Council award and the Top Ten Project award from the Texas Association of Student Councils at the TASC state convention in Arlington. The award was granted to 196 schools out of approximately 1300 TASC schools in Texas.

Ryan High recently announced that six Advanced Placement English III students were named as Texas state finalists in the Library of Congress's Letters About Literature Contest.

Jennifer Cruz, Ryan High senior, recently received the President's Volunteer Service Award by The Prudential Spirit of Community

Awards program for providing numerous volunteer hours at local hospitals. The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program recognizes young people across America for outstanding community service activities.

1st Open Forum

No one wished to speak

Continued
Discussion of
Middle School
#7

The Board continued their discussion regarding the District's current prototypical middle school design. VLK Architects presented additional information regarding modifications to the middle school design and showed sustainable features that can be incorporated into the middle school designs.

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

Continued
Discussion of
2009-2010
Budget

The Board discussed changes for the 2009-2010 budget and reviewed 2009 preliminary property values which are used in calculating the state revenue and debt service revenue.

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

Legislative
Update

The Board reviewed current and pending education related legislation as well as received an update on the progress of the 50 cent test bill. (H.B. 3697)

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

Continued
Discussion of
Inter-district
Transfers

The Board continued their discussion regarding Inter-district transfers (transfer of students into DISD from surrounding districts). The Board discussed the elimination of tuition requirements for children of DISD employees attending DISD schools who resides outside of DISD boundaries and the establishment of inter-district guidelines for students wanting to participate in the IBO programme.

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

2nd Open Forum

No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Curtis Ramsey and seconded by Glenna Harris

To approve (minutes for the March 10, 2009 and March 31, 2009 board meetings; personnel matters and personnel leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of March 31, 2009; approval of donation of a 58 ft. semi-trailer for the Guyer High School Band/Fine Arts program; Delinquent Ad Valorem Property Tax Resolution #22223DEN; and approval of travel for Ryan High School Robotics

Club to travel to Atlanta, GA April 15-18, 2009).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Mr. Wilson announced the retirement of Diane Blair, Crownover Middle School principal. Mr. Wilson also announced Ms. Gwen Perkins as the new principal of Crownover Middle School and Angela Ricks as the new principal of Middle School #7.

Resolution for Superintendent of the Year

Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Jim Alexander

To approve the resolution for the Superintendent of the Year nomination.

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 9:55 pm

Open Meeting

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 10:20 pm

Motion by Curtis Ramsey and seconded by Jim Alexander

To approve the Superintendent's recommendation to terminate professional personnel at the end of their probationary period because they have not completed all Texas Certification/licensure, including successful passing of the appropriate teacher/professional test.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 10:50

President

Secretary