

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, February 27, 2018 at 6:00 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Mia Price 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 Zavala

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

Pledges: The pledges to the flags were led by Pecan Creek Elementary students.

Presentations/ Recognitions: The Texas Council for Social Studies thought enough of Braswell's Kim Fritch to name her the Social Studies Teacher of the Year. She's one of the best teachers in the Texas because of her ability to connect with her students inside of the classroom and out and is highlighted as this month's Educator Spotlight.

Denton ISD students accounted for 11 top-10 finishes at the 35<sup>th</sup> annual Texas State German Contest that was held at Texas State University in San Marcos in February. The Texas State German Contest brings hundreds of students from across the state in a variety of academic and cultural categories highlighting the German language and culture. The state competition allows German Club students and sponsors to share what they've learned throughout the year in a fun and festive atmosphere, while providing scholarship opportunities for students and grant opportunities for teachers.

The Denton Independent School District recently had three campuses named as recipients of the CREST Award, which annually recognizes the top counseling staffs in the state, by the Texas School Counselor Association. This marks the eighth consecutive year at least one Denton ISD campus has received a CREST award. Each of the recipients were honored earlier this month at the CREST Luncheon, which is part of the annual TSCA conference, in Galveston. This year's honored campuses and counselors included:

**McMath** – Brian Adams, Mary Arndt, Kelli Hauser;  
**Harpool** – Eren Turner, Darlene Thweatt, Annette Price;  
**Denton High** – Jari Peltier, Kathleen Ashton, Justin Fields, Chris Lydia, Doretha Hudspeth, Kim Keith, Linsey Schafer and Martha Valles.

Students representing all the district's comprehensive high schools were selected by competitive audition for the prestigious All-State Band, Choir and Orchestra. Honorees will perform with the best musicians from all over Texas during the annual Texas Music Educators Association Convention in San Antonio hosted from Feb. 14-17.

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

1<sup>st</sup> Open Forum Willie Hudspeth addressed the Board and wished he saw more African American student receive rewards/recognitions and recite the pledges. Mr. Hudspeth also addresses the Board regarding Guyer High School emergency plan for evacuation due to the gas wells located near the campus.

Matt Marsh addressed the Board about his safety concerns for students on campuses and the current school mass shootings.

David Harshman parent of a Crownover student was concerned about the recent lockdown.

Discussion and Review of 2018-2019 Budget Jennifer Stewart, Director of Budget reviewed the 2018-2019 Budget and provided the Board different scenarios based on projected property tax growth for 2018 and the resulting revenue outcomes.

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

Discussion and Review of Board Goals Dr. Wilson reviewed the Board Goals the Trustees had revised on January 13, 2018. Dr. Wilson along with Division Administrators' worked on aligning the Board Goals with the Trustees core values and goals of Teaching and Learning; Culture and Climate; Growth and Management; and Opportunities for Students.

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

Bond Progress Report Greg Sawko Bond Committee member presented information from the last Bond Progress Committee meeting held at WS Ryan Elementary.

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

4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Growth Report Rocky Gardner, Templeton Demographics presented the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Growth Report. Denton's unemployment rate is currently below 3%. In the DFW

area the job rate has grown at 2.8 % with the creation of 101,539 new jobs.

Denton ISD had 5,960 home sales in 2017, and roughly 32% were new homes. The average new home sale price in Denton ISD in 2017 was \$307,123 and the average existing home sale price in Denton ISD in 2017 was \$270,111. Denton ISD has nearly 2,390 lots available to build on and the district has more than 28,500 planned future lots.

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

Construction  
Report

Komal Abbas, Project Manager for GHS additions presented an update. Mr. Abbas stated the following items were complete, track resurfacing and striping, sod and trees were planted and the auditorium sound system upgrades. Exterior masonry and interior framing and overhead utilities in the 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Center was in progress. The GHS addition project is 60% complete.

Markus Sanchez, Project Manager for the Support Services building presented an update. Exterior sheathing and brick work is currently being installed and interior workspace walls are going up.

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

Emergency  
Preparedness and  
School Safety  
Report

Bill Knight, Safety & Security Coordinator reviewed the District's Emergency Operations Plan and reviewed past security related presentations and security precautions that the district has implement over the past several years. The District Emergency Operations Plan is reviewed annually and revised as necessary as well as the Campus Emergency Plans are revised when needed. Every Elementary and Secondary campus performs several different types of safety drills every year and reports are submitted to Mr. Knight when completed.

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Open Forum

No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Doug Chadwick

To approve (minutes of the February 27, 2018 Board meetings; personnel matters, leaves and absences; approved of Jeff Russell as the Director of Student & Campus Support Services; Head Start Compliance Reports for February 2018; TEA Class Size Waivers; approval of quote from Plano Office Supply, Co. in the amount of \$626,938.19 for office furniture for Support Services building; approval of the agreement between Denton ISD and ESS/Source4Teachers; approval of Full Filled Project, Inc. to provide meals to all qualified children at Denton High School and Denton

Ryan High School for 2018-19; approval on second reading the adoption of EIC (Local) Academic Achievement: Advanced Courses; approval of MOU with Denton ISD and the City of Denton shall provide Denton ISD with six (6) certified police officers to serve as School Resource Officers (SROs) assigned to Denton High School, Ryan High School, Guyer High School, Calhoun Middle School, Strickland Middle School, and McMath Middle School; approval of RFP# 170223 Athletic Supplies, Services & Equipment be extended for one year and approval of surplus property as submitted).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Open Forum      No one wished to speak.
- Closed Meeting      The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:46 pm
- Open Meeting      The Board reconvened into Open Session at 11:01 pm
- Adjournment:      The meeting adjourned at 11:09 pm

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President

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Secretary