

The Board of Trustees of Denton Independent School District, State of Texas, met in a special meeting at the Denton ISD Central Services building, 1307 N. Locust St., Denton, Texas, on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 6:03 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Glenna Harris who announced that a quorum was present.

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

Board Members Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Wilson, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Valenta, Sargent, Hicks, Stevenson and Zavala

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

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

Presentations/ Recognitions Gary Henderson, president and CEO of United Way, and Jodi Ramon, campaign representative, was presented a ceremonial check in the amount of \$113,524 for the final total of contributions made for the 2014-2015 school year from district employees.

Amy Anderson, eighth grade math and algebra teacher at Crownover Middle School, is completing her seventh year with our district was recognize for her outstanding teaching abilities. She inspires both her students and colleagues to try new things and make mathematics relevant to their everyday life.

Motion was made by Jim Alexander and seconded by Mia Price to move the Growth Report, Bond Progress Report and Construction Report up on the agenda.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

1<sup>st</sup> Open Forum No one wished to speak.

Legislative Update Dr. Wilson presented the Board with updated information regarding proposed legislative bills.

Budget Debbie Monschke, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services,

Discussion for 2015-2016 School Year reviewed the 2015-2016 Budget. She indicated that with the current information, an additional 33 positions will be needed to address the projected growth of 771 students. More specifically the budget will include funds for three additional elementary positions, ten middle school positions and 20 high school positions.

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

Discussion of Denton Stipend Compensation Overview Dr. Richard Valenta, Deputy Superintendent presented a comprehensive study of the current stipends that are paid to district employees who perform duties beyond their contractual responsibilities. Since 2013, the district has created a master stipend template, which helps sort and report data more accurately; limited the number of stipends allowed per employee to seven and designated paraprofessionals as ineligible for stipends due to conflicts with the U.S. Department of Labor.

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

Discussion of Digital Learning Design Team Project Dr. Mike Mattingly, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction let the discussion about the Denton Digital Learning Design Team. The Denton Digital Learning Design Team will coordinate a digital learning design project for the purpose of:

1. Recommending a replacement cycle for current technology
2. Recommending technology for future-ready classrooms (Four C's)
3. Recommending solutions for immediate and long-term needs
4. Recommending timeline(s) for implementation

Dwight Goodwin, director of instructional technology, shared the research the group performed to create the plan. He also gave specific examples of teachers on eight Denton ISD campuses that pilot new technology and give immediate feedback to the team.

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

4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Growth Report Jeff Baker with Templeton Demographics presented the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Growth Report. Texas economy continues to be the strongest state economy in the country. DFW continue to be a leader in job and population growth due to the energy boom and its diverse economy. Denton ISD new home starts have averaged more than 460 per quarter over the last 3 quarters. Vacant developed lot supply remains in good position to sustain new housing growth. Paloma Creek, Cross Oaks and Pecan Creek elementary zones have the most home activity, representing almost 51% of the total starts for the district. Denton ISD can expect an increase of approximately 3,600 students during the next 5 years. DISD is projected to have almost 35,300 students for the 2024/25 school year.

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

Bond Progress Report

Mr. Doug Chadwick a Bond Progress committee member provided the Board with information from the Feb. 11, 2015 committee meeting.

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

Construction Report

Garry Ryan, of Balfour Beatty Construction, provided the Board with an update on the construction at Braswell High School and the Carrico Athletic Complex, including how the weather has impacted the project.

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

Extended School Day Report

Steve Johnson, Director of Community and Adult Education provide an update on the extended school day (ESD) program for the 2014-15 school year. The report included information regarding ESD student enrollment, fees, on-line registration process and the ESC community involvement activities.

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

Requests for E-Rate Network Equipment 2015

Ernie Stripling, Information Technology Officer provided the Board with information regarding the equipment pricing to be submitted for e-rate consideration. The district requested proposals in order to find the best pricing to submit to e-rate. The district will not hear from the FCC Schools and Libraries Division of Erate until August or September, 2015, to know whether we will receive the Erate funding requested. The district will not be obligated to approve the RFQ if the district portion of the funding is not available. The district will be required to fund approximately 40% of the total. The final percentage amount could change one or more points due to the final free and reduced total.

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

4<sup>th</sup> Cycle Attendance Report

Darrell Muncy, Director of Student Support Services provided the Board with an attendance report that shows the attendance percentages for each grade level for the 4<sup>th</sup> Cycle (January 6, 2015 – February 13, 2015). The total attendance average for the Denton ISD for the 4<sup>th</sup> cycle is 95.6%.

- The lowest total attendance averages are for 12<sup>th</sup> graders at 92.45% followed by PK at 92.94%.
- The highest attendance averages are in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade at 96.61% followed by 3<sup>rd</sup> graders at 96.49%.

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Open Forum No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda Jim Alexander requested item F to be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Glenna Harris requested a correction to item A, Minutes from the Feb. 17, 2015 board meeting.

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Dorothy Martinez to approve the consent agenda with the correction of the minutes.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Mia Price to approve item “F” TASB Local Policy Update 101-second reading.

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded Barbara Burns to delay the second reading approval of TASB Update 101 until the April 21, 2015 board meeting.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

To approve (the minutes for the February 17, 2015 Board meeting; personnel matters, leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of February 28, 2015; TEA Class Size Waiver as submitted; proposal submitted by Independent Bank be rejected; approval of CoServ Agreement Defining Area Embraced Within Easement; approval of the CoServ Easement Agreement in order to provide electric service for Ray Braswell High School and approval of Resolution #260416DEN & 260584DEN Denton County for delinquent taxes).

Consider  
Approval of the  
Denton  
Independent  
School District  
Ordinance for  
Declaration of  
Election of  
Unopposed  
Candidates and  
Cancellation of  
the May 9, 2015  
Election

Motion by Dorothy Martinez seconded by Mia Price

To approve the Ordinance for Declaration of Election of Unopposed Candidates and Cancellation of the May 9, 2015 Election.

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 8:55 pm

Open Meeting        The Board reconvened into Open Session at 10:36 pm

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Barbara Burns

To deny the grievance and affirm the Administration's response to the Level II Grievance

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Adjournment:        The meeting adjourned at 10:55 pm

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President

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Secretary