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Minutes of the December 12, 2022 - Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on December 12, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Vonita White Administration Building, 200 S. Denton Tap Road. The meeting was called to order by President David Caviness.

Members present: David Caviness, President; Anthony Hill, Vice President; Nichole Bentley, Secretary; Leigh Walker; Manish Sethi; Dr. Neena Biswas and Jobby Mathew

A quorum was present.

Notice of this meeting was posted on December 9, 2022, at 3:00 p.m.

Staff present: Brad Hunt, Superintendent; Carol Snowden, Administrative Assistant; Dr. Dennis Womack; Dr. Angie Brooks; Kristen Eichel; Angela Brown; Diana Sircar; Amanda Simpson; Greg Alexander; Naveen Boppana; and James Holloway.

Cindy Powell, Cooperative Strategies was also present.

DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

- Mockingbird Rakesgiving
- Superintendent Business Advisory Council
- Texas Association of Future Educators Students Qualify for State
- CISD Holiday Open House
- I Heart CISD

AWARDS

- 2022 CISD Holiday Card Winner Ira Killi, a 5th grade student from Valley Ranch Elementary
- Fall 2022 GEMS (Great Employees Matter)

Nichole Bentley gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN FORUM

The following community members came forward to speak in Open Forum:

Julie Waters – Bond/Budget

Gabor Toth – Bond

Jonathan Powers – Bond

Jillian Hill – Bond Updates

Ashley Wallace – Budget, ESSER Update & Bond Steering Committee

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS – SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Dennis Womack (Chief Operations Officer) and Greg Alexander (Coordinator of Safety and Security) provided a safety and security update. A Bond Steering Committee update was provided by Cindy Powell (Cooperative Strategies).

CONSENT

Nichole Bentley made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

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1. Approve minutes of the special and regular meeting held on November 14, 2022, and regular meeting held on November 29, 2022
2. Approve Monthly Budget Amendments for December 2022
3. Approve Financial Report for November 2022
4. Approve Quarterly Investment report for Period Ending November 30, 2022
5. Approve an identified and specifically designated individual with authority to carry a firearm in accordance with administrative regulations and Board policies CKC (LOCAL) and DH (LOCAL)
6. Approve the Superintendent's recommendation regarding the employment of professional personnel

Manish Sethi seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-1. Trustee Neena Biswas voted against the motion.

ACTION

Anthony Hill motion to approve the resolution as presented for a one-time lump sum retention incentive payment funded with ESSER funds. Nichole Bentley seconded the motion passed and it passed 7-0.

Manish Sethi made a motion to approve the recommended resource list from the district's School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) for the Health curriculum and instruction resources and materials that also includes the following areas: Human Sexuality Instruction, Child Abuse, Family Violence, Dating Violence and Sex Trafficking Instruction. The motion was seconded by Leigh Walker and passed 7-0.

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS – BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- Safety and Security Committee Meeting update - David Caviness
- District Educational Improvement Committee Meeting (DEIC) – Anthony Hill
- Budget Workshop Debrief – Nichole Bentley

At 8:47 p.m., President Caviness declared the Board in Closed Session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters and Section 551.076 – Security Devices or Security Audits.

President Caviness declared the Board in Open Session at 9:10 p.m.

Manish Sethi made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

David Caviness, Board President

Nichole Bentley, Secretary