

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 13, 2024, at 6:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by President Mia Price who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Bundgus, Burns, English, Price, Sosa-Sanchez, Stafford, and Tays

Board Members

Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present:

Brown, O’Bara, Parham, Pierce, Rainey, Robinson, Russell, Schulz, Stevenson, Stewart, Thompson, and Wilson

Others:

Cindy Breeding, *Denton Record-Chronicle*; citizens, staff, and students

Pledges

The Pledges to the Flags were led by W.S. Ryan Elementary School students.

Presentations/  
Recognitions

Counseling teams from four schools were recipients of the Texas School Counselor Association’s (TSCA) CREST Award, which annually recognizes the top counselors in the state. Counselors at Shultz Elementary, Sam Houston Elementary, Rodriguez Middle School and Strickland Middle School received the prestigious honor – marking the 13th consecutive year that at least one Denton ISD campus has received a CREST award.

Each year, the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) honors businesses, organizations and individuals for their support and exceptional advocacy of public schools. This statewide honor, as part of “Stand Up for Texas Public Schools,” recognizes local businesses and community organizations that partner with school districts, making a difference in the lives of public-school students. Denton Vote Group is a local organization dedicated to promoting non-partisan voter registration and civic engagement. In addition, Denton Vote Group is also instrumental in helping educate the community about candidates, deadlines and where to vote. Over the past year, Denton Vote Group has volunteered at each of Denton ISD’s high school campuses, helping 18-year-old seniors at the LaGrone Academy, as well as Denton, Ryan, Braswell, and Guyer High Schools register to vote while promoting civic engagement. In addition, Denton Vote Group also volunteered at both Denton ISD’s Back-to-School Fairs and the district’s new hire event, providing information and voter registration assistance. Michelle Duesman, an eighth-grade teacher at McMath Middle School, has been chosen as the Texas Council for the Social Studies (TXCSS)

Outstanding Middle School Teacher of the Year. Ms. Duesman was one of only six teachers statewide that received recognition from TXCSS. The Outstanding Teacher of the Year award is given in recognition of active participation in local, state, and national social studies councils, as well as outstanding social studies teaching at the elementary, middle, and high school levels.

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

Discussion of  
Employee Health  
Insurance and  
Employee Wellness  
Clinic Update

Chris Bomberger, Executive Director for Risk Management and Child Nutrition presented the Board with an overview of the employee health insurance provided through BlueCross BlueShield of Texas and voluntary products offered through Higginbotham Public Sector. Chris also reviewed the first six-month utilization of the Concentra Clinic (Theresa Grant Employee Wellness Clinic)

This item is for information only. No action is required

Health Services  
Update

Nicole Goodman, Director of Health Services provided the Board with an update on the Health Services Department. This year 16,000 students have visited the nurse's office, including 87,000 office visits and 50,000 medication/treatment visits and 38,000 State-mandated screenings.

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

Budget Discussion  
for 2024-2025

Jennifer Stewart, Executive Director of Budget reviewed the following items with the Board:

- Review Fund Balance
- Review Local Funding vs State Funding
- Review Average Daily Attendance (ADA)
- FY25 Planning -How We Got Here

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

Quarterly  
Investment Report

Vicki Garcia, Executive Director of Financial Operations provided the Board of Trustees with an overview of the second quarter investment performance for the fiscal year 2024. This report is to share information in detail about the District's investment portfolio on a quarterly basis as required by the Public Funds Investment Act (Texas Government Code Chapter 2256, Subchapter A). As of December 31, 2023, the combined book value of investments for the District's General Fund, Debt Service Funds, Capital Projects Funds, and Special Revenue Funds amounts to \$1,265,834,852.

Earnings from Temporary Deposits and Investments reached \$15,728,653 for the quarter, contributing to a fiscal year-to-date total of \$26,229,788

across all funds. This total includes both accrued earnings yet to be realized and realized earnings amounting to \$5,085,172 for the quarter.

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

Denton ISD 4<sup>th</sup>  
Quarter Growth  
Report

Bob Templeton, Zonda Demographics provided the Board of Trustees with a summary concerning the general DFW housing market, economic indicators, Denton I.S.D. residential activity and enrollment projections as of the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2023 and its impact on the overall growth of the Denton ISD. This report will provide general market & economic conditions, Denton ISD residential home sales, Denton ISD multi-family occupancy and sales, identify high growth areas and impact on the district and provide enrollment projections for elementary, middle & high school campuses. Texas and the DFW area are number one in the US for the fastest growing state in the nation and DFW and Denton being at the top of the list.

Total home sales within Denton ISD have slightly decreased over the last 3 years due to rising inflation costs and interest rate increases. New home sales in DISD accounted for 46% of the total district home sales in 2023, an increase of 8% from 2022. The average new home sale price in Denton ISD has risen 97% between 2013 and 2023, an increase of more than \$242,600. The average existing home sale price in DISD has risen 94% in the last 10 years, an increase of \$187,170.

There are approx. 4,960 multi-family units under construction, 770 of which are single family rental homes. There are more than 6,470 future multi-family units in various stages of planning across the district.

Annual closings increased by 12% in the last 12 months. The district has 58 actively building subdivisions with over 3,400 lots available to build on. DISD has 31 future subdivisions with over 24,600 lots in the planning stages. Groundwork is underway on more than 2,300 lots within 11 subdivisions. Denton ISD is forecasted to enroll 36,700 students by 2028/29 and more than 41,300 by 2033/34.

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1<sup>st</sup> Open Forum

No one wished to speak

Consent Agenda

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Sheryl English

To Approve (the minutes of the January 16, 2024, board meeting, personnel matters, leaves, and absences; Naming of Toby Thomason as Fred Moore Principal; approval of Budget Amendments as of January 31, 2024; approval of TASB Policy Update 122 with Revisions to CKE(Local), DEC(Local), EIE(Local), GKG(Local), DC(Local), and EIC(Local);

approval of Place to Be donation in the amount of \$2,800.00 for the purchase of Christmas gifts for the children at Gonzales School for Young Children; approval of quote from Motorola Solutions in the amount of \$2,087,790.00 for Transportation Radio Communication Solution; approval of RFP #2203-01C Local Retail Stores; approval of RFP #2209-14B Fundraising Supplies and Services; approval of RFP #2209-15B Food, General Grocery, Catering & Services; approval of RFP #2306-08 Miscellaneous Services and Supplies; approval of RFP #2401-01 Paint Supplies, Equipment & Services to include Mural Artists; approval of quote in the amount of \$290,943.51 from Netsync Network Solutions for the purchase of the technology infrastructure for the Calhoun Middle School campus; approval of quote in the amount of \$287,569.97 to Netsync Network Solutions for the purchase of the technology infrastructure for the Hill Elementary School campus; approval of quote in the amount of \$185,164.93 to Netsync Network Solutions for the purchase of the technology infrastructure for the Evers Elementary School campus; approval of quote in the amount of \$238,421.69 to Netsync Network Solutions for the purchase of the technology infrastructure for the Newton Rayzor Elementary School campus; approval of quote in the amount of \$272,008.97 to Netsync Network Solutions for the purchase of the technology infrastructure for the Martinez Elementary School campus; approval of the quote from eduParts, LLC in the amount of \$186,656.50 for the purchase of student Chromebook replacement parts; approval for the quote from ProComputing in the amount of \$567,438.62 for the purchase of all equipment for the AV refresh for Alexander Elementary School; approval of donation from the William and Mildred Borth Family Trust in the amount of \$69,000 to Newton Rayzor to be used for the library needs; approval of the AWSYC Head Start Monthly Compliance Reports for December 2023).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Open Forum      The following community members addressed the Board: Anna Lam, Rob Justice, Christine Elling, Donna Smith, Sara Fanning.
- Closed Meeting      The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:32 pm
- Open Meeting      The Board reconvened into Open Session at 9:18wd pm
- Adjournment:      The meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM

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President

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Secretary

