

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, September 27, 2016 at 6:00 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Barbara Burns 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 Evers Elementary students.

Presentations/ Recognitions Common Sense Education recently named the Denton Independent School District as a Common Sense Certified District: Digital Citizenship. Denton ISD was one of only five school districts in the state, and the only one in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, to achieve this recognition.

The district earned this status by having 84 percent of its schools meet the Common Sense Certified School criteria for the 2015-16 school year. School districts are only required to have 50 percent of their campuses meet this requirement.

To be classified as a Common Sense Certified School, each campus had to teach digital safety lessons to students on two different grade levels. The lessons covered cyberbullying, cybersecurity (identity and internet safety) and other online topics including: information literacy, creative credit and copyright infringement, relationships and online communication.

This item is for information only.

1st Open Forum Billy Brasfield addressed the Board regarding new hires and not enough African Americans hired. He also addressed the Board regarding school taxes for senior citizens.
Willie Hudspeth addressed the Board regarding the District's policy when an athlete kneeled during the pledge. He also stated there are not enough African American coaches in the District.
Howard Stone addressed the Board regarding naming of MS #8 after his father who was a long time educator.

Update on 35 Express Construction Project

CJ Schexnayder informed the Board of Trustees on the progress of the 35 Express Project, and the areas that affect our district, which covers construction on I-35E from FM 407 to US Hwy 380. This information helps to provide insight into how the construction affects Denton ISD families, transportation for students and the overall economic impact on our area.

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

Career & Technology Education Annual Update

Carla Ruge, Director of Career & Technology provided an overview regarding Denton ISD Career and Technical Programs, including highlights, funding, and program performance. The ATC offers 30 different programs, 127 CTE Courses, 15 Clusters and 40 certifications and licensing.

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

District of Innovation Update

Chris Shade and Tracy Johnson Co-chairs presented an update to the Board on the progress of the District of Innovation (DOI) Committee and its work towards developing a District of Innovation Plan. The DOI Committee is currently identifying barriers to student and achievement and local control in the following four areas: 1) teaching and learning; 2) student opportunities; 3) school culture/climate; 4) growth/management. H.B. 1842 (84th Session of the Texas Legislature) in part amended Chapter 12 of the Texas Education Code (TEC) to create Districts of Innovation. Districts are eligible for designation if certain performance requirements are met and the district follows certain procedures for adoption as outlined in Statute. The designation provides the district will be exempt from certain sections of the TEC that inhibit the goals of the district as outlined in the locally adopted Innovation Plan.

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

Discussion of TASB Update 106

Update 106 is a special update in response to the commissioner of education rules adopted as authorized by Education Code 29.022, which requires installation and operation of video and audio equipment in certain special education classrooms or other special education settings on request of a parent, staff member, or trustee.

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

Discussion of Legislative Priorities in Preparation for the 85th Legislative Session

Gwen Perkins, Area Superintendent provided information for the purpose of initiating a conversation with the Board of Trustees as they consider and identify the legislative priorities for the 85th Legislative Session.

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

2nd Open Forum No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda Motion by Doug Chadwick and seconded by Dorothy Martinez

To approve (the minutes for the September 13, 2016 board meeting; personnel matters, leaves and absences; Investment Report as of August 31, 2016; TEA Request for Maximum Class Size Waiver; approve the 2016 – 2017 T-TESS additional certified appraisers as required by state and local policy; approval of travel for the Guyer High School AF JROTC to travel to Military/Government facilities in Colorado Springs October 19, 2016 - October 23, 2016; approval of travel for the Guyer High School Orchestra to travel to perform in the South Coast Music Festival departing on April 7, 2017 and returning on April 10, 2017; approve the expenditure of \$706,674.69 to HMI Services for fiber infrastructure relocation on Mayhill Road. Denton County will reimburse the district \$211,133.88 towards this project. The 2004 and 2007 Bonds Contingency Funds will provide \$26,690.67 and \$369,590.85 respectively. The remaining cost of \$99,259.29 will be funded from the General Fund – Fund Balance; approve the purchase and installation of projectors in the amount of \$155,604.00 from Pathway Communications, LTD utilizing the TIPS Cooperative and Lantana Foundation funding for Harpool Middle School; and approval of Addendum #4 to our existing Interlocal Agreement between DISD and Denton County for Fiber Optic Sharing).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Charles Stafford

Variable Rate
Unlimited Tax
School Building
Bonds, Series
2005-A
Extensions to
and Amendment
of Standby Bond
Purchase
Agreement

To approve of an order authorizing the delegation of authority to the Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services to approve, execute and deliver an extension and amendments to the Liquidity Agreement and to the related Fee Agreement dated October 11, 2013, incorporating the Terms and Conditions subject to the following parameters:

1. The maximum amount of the liquidity facility shall not be increased.
2. The term of the extension shall not exceed three years.
3. The facility fee rates to be paid pursuant to the amended Liquidity Agreement and Fee Agreement during the extension shall be as set forth in Exhibit A of the Order.
4. The security and source of payment of the District's obligations under the amended Liquidity Facility and Fee agreement shall be as set forth in the order authorizing the issuance of the Bonds.
5. The delegation made hereby shall expire if not exercised

by the Authorized Officer on or prior to March 27, 2017.

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 9:40 pm

Open Meeting The Board reconvened into Open Session at 10:38 pm

Motion by Dorothy Martinez and seconded by Doug Chadwick

To approve the name of Middle School #8 to be Rudy and Rosemary Rodriguez Middle School.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:45 pm

President

Secretary