

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, April 19, 2016 at 6:02 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Barbara Burns 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, Lopez, O'Bara, Perkins, 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 E.P. Rayzor students.

Presentations/ Recognitions The Texas Middle Schools Association recently named Denton Independent School District's McMath Middle School as one of just seven Texas Schools to Watch for 2015-16, bestowing the prestigious honor for the school's academic excellence. Schools in the program are selected to serve as exemplars for other middle schools across the state and nation. As a member of the Texas Schools to Watch list, McMath will be used to teach academic best practices to other middle schools and school administrators and teachers will visit Washington D.C. to share information about their campus and practices at the National Schools to Watch Conference in June.

Denton ISD students accounted for 36 top-10 finishes and Denton High School a seventh-place team showing at the 34<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.

1<sup>st</sup> Open Forum Willie Hudspeth – NAACP representative feels we don't have enough African Americans students recognized. The NAACP gave out nine

scholarships to DISD students at their banquet early this month.

Rudy Rodriguez, Jr. is the President of the DHS Cares Family Assistance Foundation, Inc. a 501(c)(3) non-profit Texas charitable corporation. The mission is to provide financial or other assistance to members of the Denton High School family (current and former students, faculty, staff and their families) in times of medical or other crises. Mr. Rodriguez invited the Board and Denton Community members to join their Second Annual Charity Golf Tournament on May 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 at the Golf Club at Champions Circle in Fort Worth.

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

International  
Baccalaureate  
Update

Coordinators from the district's four International Baccalaureate Programs, Newton Rayzor Elementary, Borman Elementary, Calhoun Middle and Denton High schools, presented the benefits and accomplishments of each of their programs. Denton High School currently has 83 juniors and seniors who are on track to graduate with an IB diploma which is the largest group to date.

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

Lone Star TIA  
Update

Dwight Goodwin, Director of Instructional Technology provided the Board with an update regarding the planning progress of the upcoming 2015 Lone Star TIA (Technology In Action) conference hosted by Denton ISD. The purpose of TIA is to provide Denton ISD staff with quality professional development that focuses on integrating technology into the learning environment so that our students are ready for 21<sup>st</sup> century success. To provide our community (residents, business professionals, community members, etc....) with quality professional development that focuses on technology, social media, and productivity tools. To provide outside-of-district educators with a low cost, quality professional development opportunity that features many of the large conference amenities (vendors, hands on workshops, certifications, etc....) and to showcase Denton ISD as a leader of learning and promote the positive initiatives happening within our district. Lone Star TIA is currently a self-funded event (via participant registration, vendor sponsorships, and donations).

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

Continued  
Discussion of  
2016-2017  
Budget

Debbie Monschke, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations, reviewed the Progress for building the budget and consider requests by campuses and departments for the 2016-2017 school year. Ms. Monschke outlined the additional expenses that were accounted for in this budget that are associated with opening new campuses. She stated that next year's budget will be built based on property values of \$750 million, an

enrollment of 27,297 and an average daily attendance of 96 percent (26,205).

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

TASB Policy  
Update 104 and  
Local Policies

Update 104 represents the second of two post-legislative updates, focusing primarily on amendments to the Administrative Code as a result of recent legislation. Update 104 is considerably smaller than Update 103, which included the bulk of the changes from the 84th Legislative Session. Major topics in Update 104 include taxes, financial reports and audits, reports to SBEC, video and audio recording in special education settings, partial credit requirements for students who are homeless or in foster care, credit-by-exam requirements for homeless students, substitutes for state assessments, and wellness policy requirements. Several of the local policy recommendations address new local policy requirements included in the 2015–16 TEA Student Attendance Accounting Handbook, including homebound instruction and residency and admissions. Other local policy recommendations address equal educational opportunities for students and student discrimination and harassment.

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

PEIMS (Public  
Education  
Information  
Management  
System) Audit

The purpose of this report is to provide the board an update of the findings of the internal PEIMS audit, provided by DRV Educational Solutions. The audit was conducted in response to the need for increased PEIMS data accuracy and how that data accuracy relates to the potential for increased revenue opportunities. The consultants interviewed department heads from Business, Career and Technical Education, Curriculum and Instruction, Data Processing, and Support Services and conducted audits on seven campuses

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

Texas Teacher  
Evaluation and  
Support System  
(T-TESS)  
Teacher Sessions  
Overview

Tracy Johnson, coordinator of human resources, shared the plan for the district's implementation of the Texas teacher Evaluation and Support System (T-TESS). Beginning next fall, Region 11 ESC will provide training and support for district appraisers at no charge. Teachers will receive training during in-service week this August. Curriculum and Instruction, Academic Programs, and Human Resources are collaborating on training, support, and systems required for implementation with minimal cost.

Moving forward area superintendents and the human resources' team will partner together to ensure implementation with fidelity across the district; to maximize campus leaders' time to support valuable coaching and goal-setting between appraisers and teachers; to build upon coaching skills of campus leaders/appraisers; and to provide opportunities for leaders to take part in "calibration walkthroughs" to ensure a common understanding of

instructional expectations outlined in the T-TESS Rubric.

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

Denton ISD  
Utility  
Management  
Report for July  
2015-December  
2015

The Purpose of this report is to inform the Board of Trustees of utility management processes in all Denton ISD's facilities from July 2015 – December 2015. The item was co-presented by two student interns who are in the engineering program at from the LaGrone Advanced Technology Complex, Cameron Ogrodnik and Jaaziel Valles.

This report includes the following:

- 1) Total consumption and cost comparison.
- 2) Analysis by utility type.
- 3) Percentage change of energy use.

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

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

Darrell Muncy provided the attendance percentages for each grade level for the third grading cycle (January 5, 2016 – February 19, 2016). The total attendance average for the Denton ISD for Cycle 4 is 95.52%. The lowest total attendance average is for 12<sup>th</sup> grade (91.89%) followed by PK at 92.57%. The highest attendance averages are in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade (96.68%), followed by 4<sup>th</sup> grade (96.59%).

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 Mia Price and seconded by Dorothy Martinez

To approve (the minutes for the March 8, 2016 board meeting and the March 22, 2016 Special meeting; personnel matters including Teacher and Support Staff Professionals Contracts for 2016-2017, leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of March 31, 2016, Investment Report as of February 29, 2016; Head Start Compliance Reports for February and March 2016; approval of CBS Roofing Services, be awarded the vendor for the 2016 Summer Re-roofing of Evers, Hodge and McNair Elementary Schools; approval of the Guaranteed Maximum Price (**\$191,805**) submitted by Balfour Beatty Construction for the renovation of the baseball press box and grandstands and the tennis court grandstands at Denton High School; approval of Fulcrum Consulting, be awarded as the vendor with a negotiated price of \$5,982.64 per month for E-Rate Fiber Optic Locate Service; approval of the purchase of electricity by utilizing the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Energy Cooperative Agreement for the Strike price of 4.982 cents and a period of up to seven years for the best value to the District; approve Change Order #001, submitted by Balfour Beatty LLC, for

the construction of the lift station at Braswell High School; Approval of the use of insurance proceeds, in the amount of \$368,000, for the electrical services associated with the feeder replacement at Wilson Elementary utilizing the CSP 160121 awarded to C & G Electric on February 9, 2016; Approval that Denton ISD will comply with the provisions of the Instructional Materials Allotment and that all purchases will meet the educational requirements of the TEC and the 82<sup>nd</sup> Texas Legislature; approval of J&S Equipment in the amount of \$ 259,473 for library furnishings at Braswell High School; approval of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Denton County that covers Denton County's fiber partnership with Argyle ISD; approval of Police/School Liaison Interlocal Agreement between the Town of Little Elm and the Denton Independent School District whereas the town shall provide Denton ISD with two (2) certified police officers to serve as school resource officers (SROs) assigned to Navo Middle School and Braswell High School; and approval of a five foot wide easement to allow The City of Denton to Construct a walkway/bikeway, at Evers Elementary, along Evers Parkway).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

With the approval of the Consent Agenda Erika Timmons, Assistant Principal of Nelson Elementary was named the school's new principal. The move comes following the announcement that Ms. Cecilia Holt will replace Dr. Happy Carrico as principal of Newton Rayzor Elementary School. Dr. Carrico is opening the district's new Bell Elementary in the fall. Nicole Poole, Assistant Principal of W.S. Ryan Elementary was named the school's new principal. Beth Kelly, Fred Moore Principal was named the new principal at Navo Middle School. Renee Koontz, Associate Principal of Denton High was named the principal for Denton ISD's eighth middle school that is expected to open in the fall of 2017. Jim Watson from Gainesville ISD was named the new Director of Transportation.

3 <sup>rd</sup> Open Forum	No one wished to speak.
Closed Meeting	The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:29 pm
Open Meeting	The Board reconvened into Open Session at 10:15 pm
Adjournment:	The meeting adjourned at 10:26 pm

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President

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Secretary