

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, May 24, 2011 at 5:17 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Jim Alexander who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Alexander, Harris, Price, Ramsey, Rodriguez, Smith, and Stafford

Board Members Absent:

Arrived Late: Smith arrived at 5:18 pm

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Braswell, Rutherford, Wilson, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Stephens, Cox and Stevenson.

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

Closed Session The Board convened into closed session at 5:18 pm.

The Board reconvened into open session at 5:55 pm

Pledges: The pledges to the flags were led by Newton Rayzor Elementary students.

Oath of Office Kimberley E. Stevenson, Notary Public, administered the oath of office to Dr. Jim Alexander and Dr. Rudy Rodriguez and the newly elected board members were seated on the board.

Election of Board Officers Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Jim Alexander
To nominate Mia Price as President, Glenna Harris as Vice-President and Rudy Rodriguez as Secretary.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Presentations/ Recognitions Denton and Ryan high schools represented Denton ISD at the annual University Interscholastic League state academic meet at the University of Texas at Austin. The two schools combined to earn seven top spots at the academic meet.

Denton ISD had 23 students place in the top three in various events

with 35 separate “Best in State” award winners at the Texas Technology Student Association state competition in Waco.

Newton Rayzor Elementary and Wilson Elementary were recognized as National Title I Distinguished Schools by the Texas Education Agency.

Billy Burford, a seventh-grade student at Harpool Middle School, was selected to the Texas Choral Directors Association 2011 Middle School/Junior High State Honor Choir. He will perform with singers from across the state in July at the TCDA’s annual convention in San Antonio.

The Ryan High School boys’ 4x200-meter relay team are state champions. The Raiders defended their Class 4A state championship in the event, rallying from behind to post a time of 1:25.77 on the University of Texas track and bring home the gold once more.

Second-grade teacher Dawn Fielder published “*Don’t Monkey Around with Safety on Field Trips*” to help students be safer during field trips. The book, which features a group of “monkey” students going on a field trip, was a joint effort with the Texas Department of Transportation. The book is a free resource that can be requested by any teacher statewide.

1st Open Forum

Josh Boring a student addressed the Board regarding keeping RN nurses’ at all Denton ISD campuses.

David Boring addressed the Board regarding keeping registered nurses at each Denton ISD campus.

Discussion &
Review of Policy
DNA (Local)
Performance
Appraisal
Evaluation of
Teachers

Dennis Stephens, Exec. Director of Human Resources presented the new revisions to policy DNA (Local). The new policy will put the district on the state’s PDAS (Professional Development and Appraisal System) for the 2011-12 school year instead of its current PRIDE teacher evaluation document.

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

Continued
Discussion of
Budget 2011-
2012

Debbie Monschke reviewed the summary of budget changes for 2011-2012 as well as budget comparisons for the different proposed legislative budget scenario. They outlined three current models that are amendments to Senate Bill 1581 proposed by Rep. Hochberg, Rep. Eissler and Sen. Shapiro.

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

- a. Discussion of Edu Jobs Funds Jamie Wilson, Deputy Superintendent reviewed the parameters of the Edu Jobs funds. He briefed the board on the expected \$3.8 million funds the district will receive through the federal Education Jobs Fund. The one-time funds can only be used to retain, rehire or hire school-level employees or used to maintain services at the elementary or secondary levels through Sept. 20, 2012.

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

- 2nd Open Forum No one wished to speak.

- Consent Agenda Curtis Ramsey requested item G to be removed for further discussion

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve (minutes for the May 10, 2011 board meeting; personnel matters and personnel leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of April 30, 2011; local policy GKC(Local) Community Relations: Visitors to the Schools-2nd reading; and TASB Update 90 local policies-2nd reading).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Motion by Curtis Ramsey and seconded Rudy Rodriguez

To approve the Resolution #32789DEN for resale of property acquired due to delinquent property taxes.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

- Consider Approval of District Improvement Plan 2009-2013

Motion by Rudy Rodriguez and seconded by Curtis Ramsey

To approve the District Improvement Plan for 2009-2013

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

The board temporarily halted Tuesday's meeting at 7:05 p.m. for about 30 minutes when the tornado warnings were issued for the area and all in attendance went to safe zones throughout the Central Services building.

Consider
Approval of
Guaranteed
Maximum Price
For the Addition
of Science Labs
to E.P. Rayzor,
W.S. Ryan,
Pecan Creek &
Providence
Elementary
Schools

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Jim Alexander

To approve of the Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$2,350,658 submitted by Charter Builders, A Division of Balfour Beatty, LLC for the addition of science labs at E. P. Rayzor, W. S. Ryan, Pecan Creek and Providence elementary schools. These projects will be funded from the interest earnings and remaining bond funds from the 2004 Bond Authorization.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
Guaranteed
Maximum Price
for the Addition
of Science Lab at
Wilson
Elementary
School

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve of the Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$610,263 submitted by Charter Builders, A Division of Balfour Beatty, LLC for the addition of a science lab at Wilson Elementary School. This project will be funded from the interest earnings and remaining bond funds from the 2004 Bond Authorization.

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 8:23pm

Open Meeting

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 9:28 pm

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm

President

Secretary