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Minutes of the September 28, 2009 Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on September 28, 2009 at 5:38 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 Cindy Warner.

Members present: Cindy Warner, President; Bennett Ratliff, Vice President; Susie Kemp, Secretary; Anthony Hill; David Apple; Scott Orr and Thom Hulme
A quorum was present.

Staff present: Dr. Jeff N. Turner, Superintendent; Debra Hart; Campus Principal

Legal Counsel present: Joe Tanguma, Nona Matthews and Joe Ball

Notice of this meeting was posted on September 24, 2009 at 5:45 p.m.

At 5:39 p.m., President Warner declared the Board in closed session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Sections 551.071- Consultation with Attorney; Sections 551.082 and 551.0821 School Children and Personally Identifiable Information about Public School Student; and Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters.

At 7:42 p.m., President Warner declared the Board in Open Session.

Staff present: Dr. Jeff Turner, Superintendent; Kay Ryon, Assistant Secretary; Kelly Penny, Sid, Grant, Tracey Wallace, Melody Paschall; Curriculum Staff, Campus Principals; Tamerah Ringo; Chad Branum

The invocation was given by Anthony Hill.

AWARDS

This year, twenty Coppell High School students have been named **National Merit Semifinalists**. The following students were recognized: Annie Abraham, Suwetha Amsavelu, Paul Blazek, Ashwin Chandra Chan, Peter Chang, Daphne Chen, Elisa Farrell, Patrick Foss, Bryce Heatherly, Lucy Huo, Christopher Nguyen; Katherine Quill, Bharadwaj Raghavan, Nathan Reck, Eric Ressler, Henry Trahan, Jeffrey Xue, Quinn Zhang, Zachary Zoda and Vicki Yang.

OPEN FORUM

No one addressed the Board of Trustees during Open Forum.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing to provide input to the Board of Trustees regarding applications for grants being submitted to the Coppell Education Development Corporation was held. No one came forward to address the Board regarding this matter.

A public meeting was held to discuss the Coppell Independent School District's state financial accountability rating. Kelly Penny presented information regarding the school FIRST rating for 2007-2008. No citizen expressed an interest in speaking regarding the rating and financial performance of the district.

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS

BOARD PRESIDENT – Cindy Warner gave a City Update and reported on the Education Foundation.

BOARD MEMBERS - Anthony Hill gave reports on the NTAASB meeting and the YMCA C.A.R.E. program. A report on the Middle School Strategic Plan was given by Susie Kemp. Thom Hulme reported on the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

Melody Paschall reported on Highly Qualified Teachers and Instructional Aides as required by TEA under the No Child Left Behind federal mandate.

CONSENT

Scott Orr asked that Item 9 on the Consent Agenda be considered separately.

Anthony Hill made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Approve minutes of the Public Meeting and Board Meetings held on August 31, 2009
2. Approve budget amendments for 2009-2010
3. Approve Financial Report for August 2009
4. Approve Investment Report for Period Ending August 31, 2009
5. Adoption of a resolution regarding annual review of investment brokers pursuant to Chapter 2256 of the Texas Government Code of Investment of Public Funds, Section 2256.025

6. Adoption of a resolution regarding annual review of investment policies CDA (Legal) and CDA (Local) pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2256, Section 2256.005(e)
7. Adoption of a resolution regarding annual review of Section 2256.008(a), Texas Government Code, approving independent sources of instruction for district investment officer training
8. Adoption of a resolution recognizing the Dallas County, Texas 4-H Organization for extracurricular status
10. Approve K-12 ELAR Textbook Committee

David Apple seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Thom Hulme made a motion to approve the TEA class size waiver (Item 9). Susie Kemp seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

ACTION

Bennett Ratliff made a motion to adopt the following grant applications to the Coppell Education Development Corporation as presented: Pre-K through 12th Grade English as a Second Language/Bilingual Grant, Literacy Intervention Support Grant, and Spanish Program Grant. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Scott Orr made a motion to adopt a resolution setting the 2009 Maintenance and Operations and Debt Service tax rates (setting a total tax rate of \$1.2834) for the Coppell Independent School District. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

(Item E) Bennett Ratliff made a motion to adopt a resolution to participate in North Lake zoning as presented. Scott Orr seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

(Item D) Cindy made a motion to adopt the CISD Campus Improvement Plans with minor changes as suggested by the Board. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

At 8:40 p.m., President Warner declared the Board in closed session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Sections 551.071, 551.082 and 551.0821.

David Apple left the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

President Warner declared the Board in open session at 9:20 p.m.

Bennett Ratliff made a motion to uphold the Level II grievance decision. Thom Hulme seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-2. (Cindy Warner, Bennett Ratliff, Susie Kemp and Thom Hulme voted in favor. Scott Orr and Anthony Hill voted in opposition.)

The meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Cindy Warner, Board President

Susie Kemp, Secretary