

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, March 19, 2013 at 6: PM. The meeting was called to order by president Mia Price who announced that a quorum was present.

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

Board Members Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Wilson, Bostic, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Valenta, Sargent, Hicks, Cox and Stevenson.

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

Pledges: The pledges to the flags were led by PoPo & Lupe Gonzalez School For Young Children students.

Presentations/ Recognitions The first Educator Spotlight for Denton ISD features Jennifer Hutson, teacher of Principles of Hospitality and Tourism, Family and Community Services, and Career Exploration, and she's also the cheerleading sponsor at Harpool Middle School.

Carol Richmond, librarian at Wilson Elementary, has been awarded the 2013 Siddie Joe Johnson Award for Outstanding Children's Librarian by the Texas Library Association.

Denton High School's swim team recently represented the district in the Class 4A Swimming and Diving State Championships at the University of Texas at Austin. The Denton High boys finished 12th overall. Denton High had three swimmers advance to the finals.

1st Open Forum Anita Martinez Strickland, president of LULAC, presented portraits of Lupe and Popo Gonzalez for Gonzalez School for Young Children and one of Dr. Tomas Rivera for Rivera Elementary School.

Willie Hudspeth addressed the Board on the importance of diversity in the District.

Denton ISD- Dr. Mattingly, Asst. Superintendent for Instruction and Curriculum presented

Community Partnership for School Readiness Update	<p>an update on how Denton ISD and the United Way has partnered with the City of Denton and a number of community organizations in an effort to work collaboratively in helping area children become “school ready.” Denton ISD will be funding the effort with Title I federal dollars. Additionally, Denton ISD staff will be organizing registration processes, enlisting volunteers and partners, and coordinating events that would facilitate registration and marketing the opportunity to our community. The cost is approximately \$30,000.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Continued Discussion of Budget for 2013-2014	<p>Debbie Monschke, Asst. Superintendent for Administrative Services reviewed the available Bond Contingency Funds and closed bond projects from past bond elections which could be used towards needed major maintenance and a proposed wireless infrastructure project.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Legislative Update	<p>Dr. Jamie Wilson reviewed the current 83rd Legislative Session proposed Senate and House bills that affect education.</p>
Discussion of Remaining 2007 Bond Sale	<p>Debbie Monschke, Asst. Superintendent for Administrative Services reviewed the available 2007 Bond Funds remaining to be sold. Ms. Monschke proposed several different bond sale options.</p>
Discussion of Voluntary Insurance Products	<p>Karen Almon, Insurance Coordinator reviewed the employee voluntary health insurance package and the plan changes for the 2013 benefit year. The benefit changes will be effective September 1, 2013.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Discussion and Review of TASB Update 96	<p>Update 96 includes 3 local policies, 7 legal policies and 1 exhibit. TASB Update 96 focuses on three key issues prompted by the Commissioner of Education, new rules on instructional materials, new rules on student attendance accounting and a recent Commissioner decision that affects how state personal leave is accrued and calculated. Other policies and topics in this update include board member powers and duties, the Framework for School Board Development, legal services for districts, bankruptcy discrimination and use of leave while on military duty.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Hodge “Share Your Breakfast” Video	<p>The trustees viewed the video featuring Hodge Elementary and the Kellogg’s “Share Your Breakfast” video.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>

Attendance Report Darrell Muncy, Director of Student Services provided the Board with an update on the attendance percentages for each grade level for the fourth grading cycle. The total attendance average for the Denton ISD for Cycle 4 is 95.05%. The lowest total attendance average is for PK 91.80 % followed by EE grade 92.64%; 12th grade is 92.93% (lowest secondary). The highest attendance averages are in the 5th grade, 96.17 followed by 4rd grade, 95.86%. The 5th grade has had the highest attendance percentage each grading cycle.

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

RF Summary Compliance Report Debbie Roybal, Exec. Director of Special Education provided the Board with an update to the RF Compliance report. The Texas Education Agency (TEA) began Residential Facilities (RF) On-Site Monitoring visits in 2005-2006. The purpose of the visits was to complete a comprehensive evaluation of the effectiveness of the program for RF students and to determine the compliance with federal and state requirements. During the on-site visits, the review is conducted in accordance with the procedures in the Residential Facilities Monitoring Manual. Denton ISD was selected for an on-site visit in both 2005-2006 and in 2006-2007. As a result, the DISD was assigned a TEA Conservator. In April of 2010, TEA released the Conservator. In a letter to the superintendent on January 25, 2013, Denton ISD has met the “compliant” status for RF monitoring.

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

2nd Open Forum No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Rudy Rodriguez

To approve (the minutes for the February 26, 2013 board meeting, personnel matters, leaves and absences, Budget Amendments as of February 28, 2013; Approval of the following changes to the Voluntary Insurance Benefits:

- Change from Cigna Dental to Lincoln Dental – 2 plan options PPO and DHMO
- Change from Superior Vision to Humana Vision – 2 plan options Humana 2 and Humana High Option
- Change from ING Basic and Optional Life to Lincoln Life – Lincoln for both the basic and supplemental life
- Change from Ft. Dearborn Short and Long Term Disability to Standard Disability – Standard Plan 3
- Change from Humana Cancer to Colonial Cancer - Colonial Cancer Policy
- Change the Flexible Spending Plan Administrator from HealthHub PayFlex to TASC (Total Administrative Services Corporation
- Add a Medical Gap plan to help offset the increase in the TRS ActiveCare Health Insurance – SIS_USEBSG
- Add an Accident plan – Humana

- Add a Permanent Life Insurance Policy this will give the employee more of an option – Combined/Fidelity

Approval of second and final extension of one additional year with Magazine Subscriptions PTP; approval of the first extension for two years of the proposal for Pest Control, with Adams Exterminating and approval of surplus equipment).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
District Mission
Statement

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Glenna Harris

To approve the adoption of the following mission statement:

“Denton ISD: Empowering lifelong learners to be engaged citizens who positively impact their local and global community.”

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
2013 Bond
Committee

Motion by Rudy Rodriguez and seconded by Barbara Burns

To approve the 2013 Bond Advisory Committee list as presented.

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 8:53 pm

Open Meeting

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 11:02 pm

Motion by Glenna Harris and seconded by Jim Alexander

To deny the grievance and affirm the Administration’s response to the Level II Grievance.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.
passed

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 11:14 pm

President

Secretary