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Minutes of the August 22, 2005 Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on August 22, 2005 at 6:54 p.m. in the Board Room of the Coppell Independent School District Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by President, Kathie Gautille.

Members present: Kathie Gautille, President; Cindy Warner, Vice-President; Bennett Ratliff, Secretary; Mike Arthur; Susie Kemp; and Scott Orr. A quorum was present.

Staff present: Dr. Jeff N. Turner, Superintendent; Kay Ryon, Assistant Secretary; Judy Denman; Ralph Seeley; Sid Grant; Chad Branum; Jimmy Spann; and Curriculum Staff

Notice of this meeting was posted on August 19, 2005 at 4:00 p.m.

At 6:55 p.m. President Gautille declared the Board in closed session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, personnel matters, as allowed by Section 551.074.

At 7:31 p.m. President Gautille declared the Board in Open Session.

The invocation was given by Scott Orr.

OPEN FORUM

Earl Shanks and Dianne Randall addressed the Board regarding the travel policy.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mrs. Gautille reported on the dates for the NTAASB meeting for the 2005-2006 year as follows: September 14 at Carrollton/Farmers Branch on New Fraud Prevention and Audit Regulations; November 16 at Eagle Mountain-Saginaw with Bill Ratliff on School Finance; February 15 at Richardson on their Teacher Incentive Program; and April 19 in Gainesville on Choosing Board Officers and Developing Board Operating Procedures. The CISD Board Operating Procedures Handbook was distributed to Board members.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Turner gave a brief update on the district's appeal of the accountability rating.

Kayla Caraway presented information on staff development. Instructional strategies are the focus this year, utilizing principles from the book, Best Practices. On the last early release date, April 27, 2006, CISD will present a Best Practices Showcase.

Sid Grant and Chad Branum reported that vandalism had occurred at Coppell High School on August 18, 2005, primarily on the tennis courts and surrounding area. A power outage had occurred earlier in the week and the surveillance cameras did not archive properly. Steps to remedy the situation include having an individual at CHS check the cameras daily to ensure the system is archiving, and establishing a protocol with DTS. A meeting with the president of DTS will take place on August 23, 2005, to discuss the issue and the Board requested a progress report.

CONSENT

Bennett Ratliff made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Approve Financial Report for July 2005
2. Approve the Minutes of the July 25, 2005; August 8, 2005; and August 15, 2005 Meetings

Cindy Warner seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

Ralph Seeley presented an additional budget amendment for 2004-2005 regarding the Robin Hood payment, and asked the Board to adopt this budget amendment along with the other amendments originally submitted. Susie Kemp made a motion to approve the Budget Amendments for 2004-2005 as presented. Scott Orr seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

ACTION

Cindy Warner made a motion to adopt the 2005-2006 General Fund, Debt Service, and Food Service Budgets. Mike Arthur seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

Bennett Ratliff made a motion to approve Local Policy FMG – Student Activities Travel with the following revisions: The date for submitting travel requests will be changed from September 1 to the end of the third week of the start of the school year, and the term “international” will be defined as travel outside the 48 contiguous states. Cindy Warner seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

Cindy Warner made a motion to adopt the Notice and Order Calling a Board of Trustee Election on November 8, 2005 for Place 2, and authorize Dallas County Elections Department to appoint judges and clerks. Susie Kemp seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

At 9:09 p.m. President Gaultille called for a ten minute recess.

At 9:19 p.m. President Gaultille recovered the meeting in open session.

Tabitha Branum and Shannon Buerk reported on proposed curriculum management software, recommending SchoolNet. Three representatives of SchoolNet gave a presentation highlighting

features of their company's software program and a proposed implementation guideline. The Board decided to study the issue further and will place the proposal on the agenda at a future date.

There was no action taken on executive session.

The meeting adjourned at 10:43 p.m.

Kathie Gaultie, Board President

Kay Ryon, Assistant Secretary