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, June 11, 2013 at 6:02 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Charles Stafford who announced that a quorum was present.

**Board Members** 

Alexander, Burns, Harris, Price, Rodriguez, Smith, and Stafford

Present:

**Board Members** 

Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Wilson, Bostic, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Valenta, Sargent, Hicks,

Cox and Stevenson Present:

Others: Brittany Tabor, Denton Record Chronicle; DEA; Randy Stout, Attorney;

citizens, staff, and students.

Pledges: The pledges to the flags were led by staff.

Presentations/ Recognitions

The Denton ISD Educator Spotlight for June features, Myrna Pagan, bilingual pre-K teacher at Gonzalez School for Young Children.

Martin Brumit, assistant principal at Ryan High, was recently named a finalist for the Association of Texas Professional Educators Administrator of the Year Award.

Alan Wilcox, fleet maintenance supervisor for the district's transportation department, won first place in the Texas Best Technician Competition among the Texas Association of School Bus Technicians. He placed first after completing a "hands on" technician competition and a written technician test

**Public Hearing** for the 2013-2014 Budget & Tax Rate

Debbie Monschke, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services, headed the public hearing for the proposed budget for the 2013-14 school year. The budget for the general fund is \$204.3 million and the proposed budget for the debt service is \$51.1 million. The district's tax rate remained the same at \$1.04 per \$100 valuation for the general fund and 49 cents per \$100 valuation for the debt service fund. The budget includes \$9.8 million for increases in salaries. Until last year, most employees had maintained the same salary rate for up three years.

The Public Hearing opened at 6:24 pm and closed at 6:25 pm. No one wished to speak.

1<sup>st</sup> Open Forum

Pat Cheek requested the district name the next elementary school after Dorothy Adkins and provided the Board with numerous petitions and letters of recommendation.

TASB Compensation Study Overview Ann Patton, TASB Consultant shared detailed information about the Texas Association of School Boards Compensation Study and compensation proposal for 2013-14. The purpose of the study is for DISD to stay competitive in the compensation arena compared to area school districts and to adjust current employee compensation based on job market equity, value, and job related experience.

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

## Counseling Services Update

Amy Lawrence, Director of Counseling provided an update to the Board of Trustees regarding Counseling Department programs. As part of the update the following items were reviewed

- Review bully prevention procedures/program
- Review threats of harm procedures
- Review the results of the Senior Survey given at high school campuses
- Report on progress of the Naviance program
- Unveil the "BE the VOICE" calendar
- Report on counseling services achievements

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

## Lone Star TIA Update

Barry Fox, Director of Instructional Technology updated the Board regarding the planning progress of the upcoming 2013 Lone Star TIA (Technology In Action) conference hosted by Denton ISD. Lone Star TIA is currently a self-funded event (via participant registration, vendor sponsorships, and donations) and District funds are not required to produce this event.

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

## Sequestration-AYP Impact

Chris Shade, Director of School Improvement provided information to make the board aware of the effects of sequestration and fiscal issues created by the School Improvement Program (SIP) as mandated by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) as a result of possible Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) sanctions as required by No Child Left Behind (NCLB). If any campus that misses AYP enters the School Improvement Program, the district must reserve 20% of its Title I entitlement in order to offer school choice for students to attend a school that met AYP, which will have a negative impact on all campuses that receive Title I in that all campuses will see a reduction of 20% in its programs and services provided by Title I in order to pay

transportation costs.

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

## Legislative Update

Superintendent Jamie Wilson updated the Board on bills proposed or approved by the 83<sup>rd</sup> Legislature. Several bills moved through the legislative process and impacted school finance, including:

- Senate Bill 1 and House Bill 1025, which have not been approved, increases the public school funding by \$3.8 billion, which is 30 percent short of restoring the 2011 reductions from the 2006 funding levels.
- The allocation includes some additional designated funds for Student Success Initiative and PK programs.
- House Bill 5, which was signed by the governor, replaces the current high school Minimum, Recommended and Advanced (Distinguished) with a single 22 credit "Foundation" for high school students. The "Distinguished Level of Performance" will be the successful completion of a fourth math and science in addition to earning an endorsement. The distinguished level will be mandatory for a student to be eligible for the Top 10 percent designation for college admissions.

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

Career & Technology Education Out of District Report Carla Ruge, Dean of the Advanced Technology Complex, gave a report on the out-of-district enrollment, which includes 157 students – enrolled in 233 classes - for the 2013-14 school year.

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 Glenna Harris and seconded by Rudy Rodriguez

To approve (the minutes for the May 28, 2013 board meeting; personnel matters, leaves and absences, Budget Amendments as of May 31, 2013; Surplus Equipment; approval of The Brokerage Store (Value Plan) as the company providing student insurance with Columbian Life and Zurich American Insurance Company as the carriers with Jeff Johnson as agent, for a period of 12 months with an option to extend the proposal for one additional 12 month period. The premium offered by The Brokerage Store (Value Plan) is \$124,662 (\$118,000 plus \$6,662 for catastrophic coverage); approval of Hankins, Eastup, Deaton, Tonn and Seay for the 2012-2013 fiscal year audit; approval of the first of three extensions, with the requested price increases and additions, for one additional year with Henkels and McCoy for Fiber Engineering; approval of the proposal submitted by

	Pathway Communications for a turnkey total of \$123,508.75; and approval of an indefeasible right of use agreement for shared dark fiber with Lonestar Education and Research Network).
Consider Approval of District Improvement Plan 2012-2013	The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.
	Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Glenna Harris
	To approve the 2012-13 District Improvement Plan as per board policy BQ (LEGAL) and BQ (LOCAL) as well as Subchapter F. District Level and Site-Based Decision-Making Sec.11.251. Planning and Decision-Making Process.
	The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.
3 <sup>rd</sup> Open Forum	No one wished to speak.
Closed Meeting	The Board convened into Closed Session at 10:05 pm
Open Meeting	The Board reconvened into Open Session at 11:51pm
	Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Jeanetta Smith
	To deny the level III grievance and uphold the Administration's decision.
	The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.
Adjournment:	The meeting adjourned at 12:06
	President

Secretary