

The Board of Trustees of Denton Independent School District, State of Texas, met in a special meeting at the Denton ISD Central Services building, 1307 N. Locust St., Denton, Texas, on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at 6:01 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Barbara Burns who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Alexander, Burns, Harris, Martinez, Price, Smith and Stafford

Present:

Board Members

Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Wilson, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Valenta, O'Bara, Stevenson and
Present: Zavala

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

Pledges: The pledges to the flags were led by Hodge Elementary School students.

Presentations/
Recognitions Students from each of Denton ISD's three high schools, Denton High
School, Ryan High School and Guyer High School were recently named to
the Texas Music Educators Association's all-state choir, all-state orchestra
and all-state band. Each of the students went through a rigorous process to
earn their musical group's top honor, joining a select few students in the
state.

A future Braswell Bengal student modeled the new Braswell High School
Band uniform for the Board of Trustees. A committee including Braswell
Principal Leslie Guajardo, Band Director Gary Barnard, and Director of Fine
Arts David McCullar met with FJM to create a unique uniform for the new
high school. The District standardized on the FJM uniform a number of years
ago and has continued to be very pleased with the longevity of the product.

1st Open Forum Bob Clifton addressed the Board regarding the Ready Rosie program and
feels the Board has wasted money on this program.

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Glenna Harris to move Report
Items B1, B2 & B3 ahead of the Workshop items.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Budget
Discussions for
2016-2017 Debbie Monschke, Asst. Superintendent for Business Services provided the
Board of Trustees the proposed timeline for the 2016-2017 budget cycle.

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

Gifted &
Talented/EXPO
Update

Chris Shade, Lori Mabry, and Melissa Matthews spotlighted different pieces of the EXPO program to help explain the current status of the EXPO population within Denton ISD. According to the National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC), while “giftedness is represented through all racial, ethnic, income levels, and exceptionality groups,” “underrepresentation is widely spread. It’s estimated that African American, Hispanic American, and Native American students are underrepresented by at least 50% in programs for the gifted.” As the nation becomes more and more diverse, gifted education programs should reflect changing U.S. demographics. Equitably identified gifted students represent cultural and linguistic diversity as well as a wide range of socioeconomic groups and geographic areas, yet these populations are too often overlooked. Reversing the underrepresentation of **culturally and linguistically diverse students (CLD)** in gifted education will require that educators have a thorough understanding of the reasons that CLD students have traditionally been excluded from participation in gifted programs. In order to prove and/or improve the quality of assessment profiles, EXPO specialists began auditing student profiles to ensure accuracy. Every campus is audited twice a year by auditors and once a year by an EXPO partner. Through this process, a need for more effective method to track student participants was uncovered and the EXPO Data Dashboard was created.

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

Every Student
Succeeds Act
(ESSA)
Overview

Dr. Mike Mattingly gave a brief overview of the recently approved reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act now known as Every Student Succeeds Act.

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

Potential Bond
Refunding
Opportunity

Bill Gumbert, BOSC discussed the savings opportunity for the District by refunding existing Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2006 and 2009 and Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2007 and 2008. Assuming current rates of interest prevail at the time of the refunding, the total debt service saving are projected to be \$44,487,925.

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

Bond Progress
Report

Lisa Garcia, Bond Committee Chair provided the Board with an update on the Bond Committee’s meeting discussion.

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

Construction
Report

Garry Ryan with Balfour Beatty presented the construction update on Braswell High School. Administration/Library, cafeteria and kitchen as well as the classroom wings roofing is complete. The fine arts area will be the last element to be completed. The construction progress through January is 69% complete.

Catherine Bell Elementary (#23) is 100% dried in with the roofing at 75% completion. The concrete fire lane paving is complete except the street entrances. All of the geothermal wells have been drilled and the retaining wall along the creek is 90% complete. Structural steel beams at the main entrance are complete and the stonework at the main entrance is being installed. The parking lots are 100% complete.

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

4th Quarter
Growth Report

Rocky Gardner, Templeton Demographics presented the District's 4th quarter growth report. The DFW area had a 2.9% increase in job growth with 26,480 housing starts as of December 2015. Denton ranks 2nd in house closings behind Frisco ISD. Of the Top 10 Subdivisions, four of them are on the 380 corridor. Bell, Cross Oaks and Savannah elementary zones have the most new home activity, accounting for 44.8% of all DISD starts in 2015. Denton ISD will reach over 28,000 in student enrollment next fall and over 30,000 in the fall of 2019.

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

2nd Open Forum

No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded by Glenna Harris

To approve (the minutes for the February 9, 2016 board meeting; personnel matters, leaves and absences and administrator contracts; Investment Report as of January 31, 2016; AWSFYC Head Start Compliance Reports for December 2015 and January 2016; approval of current teachers/coaches with a term contract be issued a dual teacher/coach contract for the 2016-17 school year and all newly hired teachers/coaches be offered a dual teacher/coach contract hereafter; approval of quote from J&S Equipment in the amount of \$97,480 be accepted for Library Furnishings for Bell Elementary; approval of the BuyBoard quote from Fred J. Miller Company in the amount of \$107,714.55 be accepted for Braswell High School band uniforms; approval of quotes submitted by Netsync in the amounts of \$1,287,185.46 for Braswell and \$244,158.08 for Bell be accepted for technology infrastructure for Bell Elementary and Braswell High; approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between Denton ISD and Denton City County Day School related to this Pre-K partnership for the 2016-17 school year; approval of the AF National Defense Cadet Corps (NDCC) program at Braswell High School and approval of TEA 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant Application).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
Order
Authorizing

Motion by Mia Price and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve of the Order Authorizing the Issuance of the Denton Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds with the following

Issuance of
Unlimited Tax
Refunding Bonds

parameters:

1. The District achieves a savings of at least \$25,000,000;
2. The maximum principal amount of Refunding Bonds that may be issued is \$118,749,192;
3. The maximum interest rate (All-In TIC) on the Refunding Bonds is 4.00%;
4. The final maturity of the Refunding Bonds may not exceed August 15, 2038 – the same final maturity as the existing Bonds to be Refunded; and
5. The refunding program is completed prior to August 21, 2016.

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 8:50 pm

Open Meeting

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 11:51 pm

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Dorothy Martinez

To move that pursuant to Texas Education Code, Section 21.158, the Board of Trustees notify Santos Garcia of our proposal to terminate his contract for good cause for excessive absences without notification or excuse, and without properly invoking either State or Federal law, and for failure to perform his contractual obligations.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 12:03 am

President

Secretary