

**MINUTES  
MAY 24, 2010**

**CALL TO ORDER:** the DeSoto ISD Board of Trustees met in a regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, May 24, 2010, with the following members present:

Don Gant, President  
Rhonda Lemons, Secretary  
Don McKinley  
Kenzie Moore  
Sharon Sternes  
Warren Seay, Jr.

Also present were:

Lloyd Treadwell, Superintendent  
Dr. Donna Crenshaw, Chief Academic Officer  
Sharon Price, Chief Operations Officer  
Bobby LaBorde, Chief Financial Officer  
Ron Cagle, Assistant Superintendent for  
Administration/Elementary Learning &  
Accountability  
Levatta Levels, Assistant Superintendent for  
Student Support Services  
Larry Davis, Executive Director Human Resources  
Doshia Jones, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order, a quorum was established, the invocation delivered, and the District Mission Statement was read.

**PLEDGE STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**

**AMBER TERRACE ELEMENTARY**

Deanna M. Brooks  
Aaleyah Richardson

**SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS**

Congratulations to the DHS girl's and boy's track teams for finishing second in the 5A state track meet on May 14-15, 2010.

Anna Robinson finished second in the long jump and the 4x400 relay (Tia Gamble, Maegan Cowan, Kierra Hamilton, Chrishuna Williams) also took second place. The 4x100 relay (Brianna Mills, Chrishuna Williams, Jeriann Okoro, Joy Chadwick) took fourth and Chrishuna Williams finished fourth in the 400 meter dash.

The boys finished with 64 points to Galena Park North Shore's 88 points but brought home gold in the 4x100 relay and 4x200 relay both run by Marcus Murphy, Traun Roberson, Devin Sanders and Reginald Reed. Kenneth Minkah won the 110 meter hurdles. Traun Roberson and Devin Sanders finished third and fourth in the 200 M.

The Education Foundation made a donation to the district in the amount of \$31,423.83. This was the amount awarded to teachers in the district for innovative teaching ideas that benefit students in special ways.

Every second grader competed for a ride to school aboard one of the local fire department engines and these are the winners:

Northside Elementary winner Jai'La Wilkins (drawing contest)

Woodridge Elementary winner Neriah Stephens (attendance and academics)

The Meadows Elementary winner Tiffany Kalu (academics and behavior)

Amber Terrace Elementary winner Frank Gutierrez (top grades)

Frank Moates Elementary winner Jirah Esters (attendance)

Ruby Young Elementary winner Kennadi Thomas (fire safety poster contest)

Cockrell Hill Elementary winner Erika Christian (drawing contest)

Congratulations to DeSoto High School Senior Gabrielle McBay for winning the 2010 Black Enterprise Teenpreneur of the Year for the business development of her *Crumbs by Gabrielle* company.

### **CELEBRATIONS**

**TEACHER PREPARES FOR LIFTOFF WITH NASA**  
Mike Causey, a teacher from Ruby Young Elementary School, is one of the forty-six teachers selected from across the nation for the prestigious *LiftOff Summer Institute* to be held at NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas this summer. The year 2010 marks the 21st consecutive year that teachers from around the country increase their knowledge of space education through the *LiftOff Professional Development Summer Institute*.

### **DESOTO SPECIALIST WINS PTA FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP**

Congratulations to DeSoto ISD Language-Science Specialist Dajuana Erskine who has been named a Texas PTA 2010 Faculty Scholarship Recipient. Texas PTA has for many years offered study scholarships to educators. This financial aid has allowed recipients to enhance their professional skills through professional development they otherwise might not have been able to pursue or complete. This program is tangible evidence of Texas PTA's desire to improve the quality of education for Texas students. Funds for the scholarships come from gifts to the Texas PTA Endowment Fund.

### **CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR WINNING VIDEO ENTRY**

Northside Elementary P.E. Coach Carol Goetting won \$7,500 worth of Gopher merchandise for the school's PE Program through her hard work and creativity. Coach Goetting submitted a video showing her unique *Scooter Scramble* game that involves math, fitness and cooperation for a fun elementary game.

**Oath of Office/Comments from New Board Members-**

The oath of office was administered to the newly elected trustees (Sandra Wheeler, Place 1; Vandous Stripling, Place 2; Dee Trimble, Place 5). Each expressed appreciation for support and eagerness to serve.

**Executive Session-**The Board moved into Executive Session under 551.074 (Personnel) to discuss 2010-2011 Board Officers. The Board returned and voted the following officers for the next year:

Sharon Sternes-President

Dee Trimble-Vice President

Warren Seay, Jr.-Secretary

**Appointments** – The President made the following appointments:

TASB/TASA Conference Delegate and Alternate – Vandous Stripling/Warren Seay, Jr.

DeSoto ISD Education Foundation – Sandra Wheeler  
Building Committee – Chair, Kenzie Moore, members, Dee Trimble, Warren Seay, Jr.

North Texas Area Association of School Boards-Don Gant

**OFFICIAL  
MOTION**

**CONSENT ITEMS:**

Motion by Kenzie Moore, seconded by Don Gant, to approve Consent Agenda.

- A. Minutes of Previous Meetings
- B. Medical Leaves (2)

Vote called, motion carried unanimously.

**REPORTS, ACTIONS, DISCUSSIONS**

**REPORTS**

- Financials as of April 30, 2010  
General Operating Funds

Revenues	\$40,296,262
Expenditures	\$43,537,196
<u>Food Service Funds</u>	
Revenues	\$ 3,376,870
Expenditures	\$ 3,177,291
<u>Title XIV SFSF (Stimulus) Funds</u>	
Revenues	\$ 2,182,039
Expenditures	\$ 2,729,383
<u>Debt Service Funds</u>	
Revenues	\$10,898,469
Expenditures	\$ 2,894,804
<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>	
Revenues	\$ 197,256
Expenditures	\$ 1,135,715

- Employments(6)/Resignations(10) of Administrative/Professional Personnel

## **ACTIONS**

### **OFFICIAL MOTION**

### **APPROVAL OF ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY EASEMENT**

Motion by Kenzie Moore, seconded by Dee Trimble, to approve as presented.

Discussion points/questions addressed:

- 20 feet on frontage for buried line

Vote called, motion carried unanimously.

## **COMMENTS**

### **Board-Comments/Events**

- Employee Banquet
- East SOAR Awards
- DHS Honors Assembly
- FC Stars of Success
- DHS Academic Awards
- Relay for Life
- Prize Patrol

### **Superintendent**

**Comments-Concerned DeSoto Citizens Reception for Mayor Waddle**

### **Calendar**

- May 26-DeSoto Chamber Luncheon Honoring outgoing Mayor Bobby Waddle-Town Center-11:30am
- May 30-Baccalaureate-Friendship West-3pm
- June 4-Graduation-Dallas Convention Center-7pm
- June 14-Next Regular board meeting (only regular meeting in June)
- June 21-Budget Workshop

The Board heard a Level III Employee complaint in open session; deliberated and voted 3/3 with one abstention, thus killing the motion and therefore rendering no decision, which in turn upheld the Level II decision.

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MOTION**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The President adjourned the meeting at 12:05 a.m.