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Minutes of the August 18, 2008 Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on August 18, 2008 at 6:27 p.m. in the Board Room located at the Vonita White Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by President Cindy Warner.

Members present: Cindy Warner, President; Bennett Ratliff, Vice President; Susie Kemp, Secretary; Scott Orr; David Apple; Anthony Hill and Thom Hulme. A quorum was present.

Staff present: Dr. Jeff N. Turner, Superintendent; Kay Ryon, Assistant Secretary; Sid Grant; Kelly Penny; Judy Denman; Sherrye Dotson; Debra Hart; Chad Branum; Denise Sullivan; Dr. Monica Uphoff; Tracey Wallace; Tabitha Branum and Curriculum Staff

Legal counsel present: Bob Luna

Notice of this meeting was posted on August 15, 2008 at 5:35 p.m.

At 6:27 p.m. President Warner declared the Board in closed session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Sections 551.071, 551.072 and 551.074.

At 7:35 p.m. President Warner declared the Board in Open Session.

The invocation was given by Scott Orr.

OPEN FORUM

No one signed up to address the Board during Open Forum.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

Anthony Hill reported on the CTAT awards, the NTAASB (North Texas Area Association of School Boards) Board of Directors meeting, and the IBM GIGA WOT camp.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

A report on accountability will be presented at another meeting.

SAFETY AND SECURITY AUDIT

Debra Hart, Director of Student Services, presented the results of the School Safety Audit.

CONSENT

Anthony Hill made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Approve minutes of board meetings held on July 25, 2008; July 28, 2008; August 1, 2008; August 4, 2008; August 7, 2008; August 11, 2008; and August 14, 2008
2. Approve 2007-2008 final budget amendments
3. Approve Financial Report for July 31, 2008
4. Approve state waiver (TEA) to allow the district to modify the schedule of classes on TAKS testing days
5. Approve Special Education Legal Services Retainer with Walsh, Anderson, Brown, Schulze & Aldridge, P.C.
6. Approve 2008-2009 Appraisal Calendar

Susie Kemp seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

ACTION

Bennett Ratliff made a motion to approve the Natural Gas Development - Part Two RFP #0805 for oil, gas and mineral leases (Item G). Thom Hulme seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Anthony Hill made a motion to approve a Resolution approving and adopting the budget for 2008-2009 fiscal year; (General, Food Service, and Debt Service Funds) appropriating funds for each department, project, and account; and authorizing other matters related to the subject. Scott Orr seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

David Apple made a motion to approve a Resolution of the 2008 Certified Tax Roll as certified by the Dallas Central Appraisal District. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Thom Hulme made a motion to approve a Resolution regarding Texas Education Code 44.011, Proposed Expenditure Targets. Bennett Ratliff seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0. The Board directed the Superintendent to send this resolution to appropriate elected officials.

Bennett Ratliff made a motion to add, revise or delete (LOCAL) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 83 (with the exception of DEA (LOCAL) which was approved by the Board on August 4, 2008). David Apple seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

David Apple made a motion to approve the New Tech High @ Coppell Parent/Student Laptop Handbook for 2008-2009 as presented with modifications as discussed. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

David Apple made a motion to accept resignations for CISD professional personnel as recommended by the Superintendent. Susie Kemp seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Thom Hulme made a motion to accept new hires for CISD professional personnel as recommended by the Superintendent. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Cindy Warner, Board President

Susie Kemp, Secretary