

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 26, 2008 at 6:08 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Charles Stafford who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Alexander, Gallian, Harris, Price, Ramsey, Smith, and Stafford

Board Members Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Braswell, Rutherford, Wilson, Stripling, Monschke, Stephens, Cox and Stevenson.

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

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

Presentations/ Recognitions Carol Hyatt, economics teacher at Denton High School, has been named the Economics Education Secondary Teacher of the Year by the Texas Council of Economic Educators.

Kate McPherson, a sophomore at Ryan High, has been selected to participate in the Peter Jennings Project for Journalists in Philadelphia. She will have the opportunity to participate with 20 professional journalists from print, broadcasting and on-line media, along with 30 other high school journalists and her faculty adviser, Karen Guenther, journalism teacher and newspaper and yearbook sponsor at Ryan High.

1st Open Forum No one wished to speak.

Science Program Report Dr. Mike Mattingly, Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction gave the board an overview of the current science curriculum and instructional activities in grades K-12. The information provided the Board with the current strengths and concerns of the science program, outside partnerships with agencies and groups and future plans regarding science instruction.

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

Elementary Capacity Discussion Jamie Wilson, Deputy Superintendent & Dr. Roger Rutherford, Asst. Superintendent for Elementary Academic Programs presented information to the Board regarding capacity issues affecting various campuses in the southern portion of the district. Due to this growth, the District would need to add 15 temporary portable classrooms at

various affected campuses at an approximate cost of \$380,000. Several options were discussed with the most viable option to open Elementary School #20 (Shady Shores) in the fall of 2008 under limited enrollment and as an overflow for the Southern section of DISD. The cost to the district would be limited to personnel and transportation costs.

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

TASB Policy
Update 82

TASB Update 82 is the second of two post-legislative updates and encompasses changes in the law from the 80th Legislative Session that was not included in Update 81. Update 82 covers numerous issues, including required participation in county appraisal districts, employee health insurance coverage, energy conservation and emergency response. The following TASB Update 82 local policies will be placed on the March 11, 2008 agenda for first reading approval.

- BJCF(LOCAL): SUPERINTENDENT - NONRENEWAL
- DBD(LOCAL): EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS - CONFLICT OF INTEREST
- FN(LOCAL): STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES
- FNAA(LOCAL): STUDENT EXPRESSION - DISTRIBUTION OF NONSCHOOL LITERATURE
- GKDA(LOCAL): NONSCHOOL USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES - DISTRIBUTION OF NONSCHOOL LITERATURE

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

Bond Progress
Committee
Report

Janet Shelton, Bond Progress Committee member presented the Board with an update on the current Bond projects that pertain to the 2002 and 2004 bonds.

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

Construction
Report

The Board was provided a CD that contained the current construction report update.

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

4th Quarter
Growth Report

The information provided by this report will give the Board an understanding of trends in residential home sales, and growth in student population within Denton County and the DFW area. This will assist district staff in developing educational programming, attendance zones and placement of future school facilities.

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

2008 Summer
School Plans

The purpose of this report is to address the 2008 Summer School programs. The program is designed to serve regular education students in grades 3, 5 and 8 in the areas of math and reading,

bilingual students, and students with disabilities who qualify for Extended School Year (ESY) services as determined by their Admission, Review, and Dismissal (ARD) committees. Other summer programs include high school tuition-based summer school, SAT Prep, and 9th grade Jump Start.

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

2nd Open Forum No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda Motion by Mia Price and seconded Curtis Ramsey

To approve (minutes for the February 26, 2008 board meeting, personnel matters and personnel leaves and absences; Summer Feeding Program Agreement with the City of Denton; approval of travel for GHS Choir to travel to the State Music Festival Competition in South Padre Island, Texas, April 17-20, 2008; approval of TEA waiver application for expedited and general state waivers valid through year 2009-2010).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

3rd Open Forum Judy Geise addressed the Board regarding the Science curriculum report and requested the possibility of adding elementary science specialists to schools.

Cornelius Anderson, a DISD teacher also addressed the Board regarding the Science curriculum report.

Closed Session The Board recessed into closed session at 8:27 pm

Open Session The Board reconvened into open session at 9:09 pm

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:19 pm

President

Secretary