

## **Minutes of the November 18, 2019 - Regular School Board Meeting**

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on November 18, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Vonita White Administration Building, 200 S. Denton Tap Road. The meeting was called to order by President Thom Hulme.

Members present: Thom Hulme, President; David Caviness (arrived 6:01 p.m.), Vice President; Nichole Bentley, Secretary; Manish Sethi; Anthony Hill; Leigh Walker and Tracy Fisher

A quorum was present.

Notice of this meeting was posted on November 15, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.

At 6:01 p.m., President Hulme declared the Board in Closed Session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.072 – Deliberations regarding Real Property and Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters.

President Hulme declared the Board in Open Session at 7:00 p.m.

Staff present: Brad Hunt, Superintendent; Carol Snowden, Administrative Assistant; Sid Grant; Kristen Streeter; Diana Sircar; Angela Brown; Kelly Mires; Ron-Marie Johnson; Kit Pehl and Amanda Simpson.

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

A motion was made by Leigh Walker and seconded by Manish Sethi to authorize Mr. Brad Hunt, Coppell ISD Superintendent or his designee, to submit a written complaint to the State Board of Educator Certification with a finding that good cause did not exist pursuant to section 21.105(c)(2) for Leticia Cabezas to abandon her employment contract with the District. The motion passed 7-0.

### **DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS**

- CISD Schools Celebrate Veterans Day
- New Tech High @ Coppell and Richard J. Lee Elementary Selected as Apple Distinguished Schools
- Engagement Update: Feeder Pattern Nights Summary, Pop Up Parties and Engagement Brainstorming Sessions

## **AWARDS**

- Cross Country State Achievements
- Coppell High School Varsity Band Finishes 6<sup>th</sup> at the Bands of America St. Louis Super Regional

Leigh Walker gave the invocation and led the Pledge.

## **OPEN FORUM**

No one came forward to address the Board of Trustees during the Open Forum portion of the meeting.

Board President, Thom Hulme, exercised point of privilege to acknowledge Daniel Harris from Boy Scout Troop #845 who was in attendance to meet a requirement for a Boy Scout badge.

## **DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS – SUPERINTENDENT**

An update on the Strategic Design work in CISD was provided by Kristen Streeter (Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services) and Angela Brown (Executive Director of Communications and Community Engagement).

Sid Grant (Associate Superintendent) provided a status update regarding the Long Range Facilities Planning Committee. Mr. Grant also walked through a presentation on the fall demographer's report for Coppell ISD.

## **CONSENT**

Nichole Bentley requested to have item one removed from the consent agenda. President Hulme excluded item one from the consent vote.

David Caviness made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items excluding item one:

1. Approve minutes of the Board meeting held on October 28, 2019; special Board meeting held on November 4, 2019 and Joint Meeting held with the City of Coppell, November 11, 2019
2. Approve monthly budget amendments for 2019-2020
3. Approve Financial Report for October 2019

Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

## **ACTION**

Nichole Bentley made a motion to approve the minutes listed in item 1 with the following amendments:

- Board meeting on October 28, 2019 under the ACTION items, paragraph two should read Tracy Fisher. Fisher is presently omitted.
- Joint meeting held with the City on November 11, 2109, City staff should read Mike Land not Mark Land and Officer Boyd should be listed as present.
- Minutes for November 4, 2019 will be approved as presented.

Tracy Fisher seconded the motion and the motion carried 7-0.

Manish Sethi made a motion to approve the Amended and Restated Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Coppell Independent School District and City of Coppell, Texas, pending final negotiation of terms between legal counsel with the City of Coppell as it relates to the renovation and shared use of Lesley Field. The motion was seconded by Leigh Walker and the motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Tracy Fisher to approve the final payment of \$50,193 to Northstar Builders Group as the final acceptance and payment for the additions and renovations completed at Coppell Middle School North. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motions passed 7-0.

Anthony Hill made a motion to authorize the Superintendent or the Associate Superintendent to enter into an Agreement with the Billingsley Company for the excavation of a drainage basin, as presented in Exhibit A, to be located on the north side of Coppell ISD's 70 acre tract of land within Cypress Waters at a total cost to Coppell ISD not to exceed \$400,000, and authorize the Superintendent or Associate Superintendent to execute a drainage easement for the basin with the City of Dallas. The motion was seconded by Nichole Bentley. The motion passed 7-0.

David Caviness made a motion to table adopting the resolution for Coppell Independent School District to cast its vote for the Fifth Member of the Board of Directors of the Dallas Central Appraisal District to December 10. Tracy Fisher seconded the motion.

David Caviness made a motion to amend his former motion to table adopting the resolution for Coppell Independent School District to cast its vote for the Fifth Member of the Board of Directors of the Dallas Central Appraisal District to the December 10, 2019 Board Workshop. Nichole Bentley seconded the motion and the motion passed 7-0.

## **DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS – BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

- CTE Advisory Committee, NTAASB Meeting, and Quarterly TASB Risk Management Fund Meeting - Anthony Hill
- Legislative Update and TEA Commissioner's Advisory Council on Gifted Education - Tracy Fisher

- Leadership TASB and School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) - Nichole Bentley
- Education Foundation and School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) - Leigh Walker

Manish Sethi made a motion to adjourn the meeting. David Caviness seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0. The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

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Thom Hulme, Board President

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Nichole Bentley, Secretary  
*Approved on December 16, 2019*