

## **Minutes of the February 24, 2020 - Regular School Board Meeting**

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on February 24, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Vonita White Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by President Thom Hulme.

Members present: Thom Hulme, President; Nichole Bentley, Secretary; Manish Sethi; Anthony Hill; Tracy Fisher and Leigh Walker. A quorum was present.

David Caviness was absent.

Notice of this meeting was posted on February 21, 2019, at 11:30 a.m.

At 6:00 p.m., President Hulme declared the Board in Closed Session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.074 - Personnel Matters and Section 551.072 – Deliberations regarding Real Property.

President Hulme declared the Board in Open Session at 7:03 p.m.

Staff present: Brad Hunt, Superintendent; Carol Snowden, Administrative Assistant; Sid Grant; Kristen Streeter; Dr. Angie Applegate; Diana Sircar; Kelly Mires; Amanda Simpson; Debbie Youngs, Susie Williams; Justin Hill and Dr. Deana Dynis.

A motion was made by Nichole Bentley 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 21.10(c)(2) for Christopher Chase Vaughn to abandon his employment contract with the District. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

A motion to accept new hires for CISD professional personnel as recommended by the Superintendent was made by Anthony Hill. Manish Sethi seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

Anthony Hill made a motion to approve the administrative contracts as recommended by the Superintendent. Leigh Walker seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

### **DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS**

Superintendent Hunt spoke about the following district highlights:

- Pinkerton Elementary featured on NBC's "Brag About Your School"
- Social and Emotional Learning Professional Development Day
- CHS student exhibit at the Dallas Museum of Art
- Cottonwood Creek, Lakeside, and CMS East students appear in local media and national TV

- CISD 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pop Up Parties Update

## **AWARDS**

The Board of Trustees presented the following awards:

- State Lions Club Peace Poster Winner CMS West student Sana Abusaad
- All-State Choir for 2020 – Ethan Koshy (CHS), Max Madlambayan (CHS), Joseph Mathew (CHS) and Rishab Pulugarta (CHS)

Fawaz Anwar from State Rep. Julie Johnson’s office presented the Board of Trustees with a Resolution in recognition of Board Appreciation Month.

Nichole Bentley gave the Invocation and led the Pledge.

A hearing for public discussion of the Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) was held by Debbie Youngs, Director of Accountability and Assessment.

## **OPEN FORUM**

No one spoke during the Open Forum portion of the meeting.

## **DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS - SUPERINTENDENT**

Susie Williams (Coordinator of Assessment) presented the 2019 December STARR Retest results.

Kristen Streeter (Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services) and Dr. Deana Dynis (Executive Director of Teaching and Learning) provided a Strategic Design update.

Sid Grant (Associate Superintendent of Business and Support Services) provided an update the Long Range Facilities Planning Committee and 2016 Bond Program.

As a point of privilege, President Hulme, Trustees Fisher and Hill spoke to recognize Associate Superintendent, Sid Grant and his 22 years of service to the District.

## **CONSENT**

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

1. Approve minutes of regular Board meeting held on January 13, 2020
2. Approve Monthly Budget Amendments for 2019-2020
3. Approve Financial Report for January 2020

Manish Sethi seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

## **ACTION**

A motion to approve the Director of Purchasing to negotiate and enter into a contract with either Gomez Floor Covering or One Source Commercial Flooring at a total cost not to exceed \$240,000.00 for the replacement of the gym floors at Austin, Cottonwood Creek, Denton Creek, Lakeside, Town Center, Valley Ranch, and Wilson elementaries and New Tech High @ Coppell. was made by Nichole Bentley and seconded by Tracy Fisher. The motion passed 6-0.

A motion to adopt an Order authorizing the issuance of “Coppell Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2020”, establishing parameters for the sale and issuance of such bonds and delegating certain matters to authorized officials of the District was made by Manish Sethi and seconded by Anthony Hill. The motion carried 6-0.

Anthony Hill made a motion that the Coppell ISD Board of Trustees approve the final payment of \$ 151,953.00 to Northstar Builders Group as the final acceptance and payment for the additions and renovations of the new Coppell Middle School East. Leigh Walker seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

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

- Tracy Fisher – Legislative Update, TEA Commissioner’s GT Advisory Committee, NSBA Network Advocacy and Social Emotional Wellness Advisory Committee
- Leigh Walker – Coppell Education Foundation and Community Based Accountability System (CBAS) Board Training
- Anthony Hill – North Texas Area Association of School Boards (NTAASB) and District Education Improvement Council (DEIC)
- Superintendent Hunt on behalf of Nichole Bentley – Safety and Security Committee

A motion was made by Tracy Fisher and seconded by Nichole Bentley to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

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Thom Hulme, Board President

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Nichole Bentley, Secretary  
*Approved on March 23, 2020*