

## **Minutes of the July 23, 2018 - Regular School Board Meeting**

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on July 23, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. at the Vonita White Administration Building, 200 S. Denton Tap Road, Coppell, Texas. The meeting was called to order by President Tracy Fisher.

Members present: Tracy Fisher, President; David Caviness, Vice President; Leigh Walker, Secretary; Manish Sethi; Anthony Hill; Thom Hulme; and Nichole Bentley

A quorum was present.

Notice of this meeting was posted on July 19, 2018 at 1:50 p.m.

At 6:00 p.m., President Fisher 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 Fisher declared the Board in Open Session at 7:00 p.m.

Staff present: Brad Hunt, Superintendent; Kay Ryon, Administrative Assistant; Sid Grant; Kelly Penny; Kristen Streeter; Dr. Angie Applegate; Debbie Youngs; Diana Sircar; Louis Macias; Todd Sissom; Deana Dynis; Kelly Mires; Brooke Sims; Nancy Garvey; Stephen McGilvray; Dr. Shane Conklin; Debbie Youngs; Kathy Creek; and Amanda Simpson

### **ACTION**

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

### **DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS**

Superintendent Hunt provided the following District Highlights in Coppell ISD:

- A. Coppell Education Foundation Interactive Institute STEAM Camp/IBM GIGAWOT – STEM Camp for Middle School Girls
- B. CISD Summer Professional Development & New Hires
- C. CHS Solar Car Race Team competes in National Solar Car Challenge
- D. CMS North SRO Rachael Freeman receives the MADD Commitment to Youth Award and Coppell Police Department Officer of the Year Award
- E. CISD Gearing Up for Back to School

## **AWARDS**

Association of School Business Officials (TASBO) 2018 Eagle Award – Kelly Penny, Chief Financial Officer

District Appreciation Award – Captain Eric Debus, Coppell Police Department

Tracy Fisher 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.

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

- A. Bond Project Update – Louis Macias (Director of Facilities and Special Projects)
- B. Budget Update – Kelly Penny (Chief Financial Officer) and Diana Sircar (Executive Director of Finance)
- C. Technology Update – Dr. Angie Applegate (Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction), Stephen McGilvray (Executive Director of Technology), Nancy Garvey (Director of Instructional Technology), and Brooke Sims (Coordinator of Professional Learning)
- D. Safety Update – Dr. Shane Conklin (Director of Student and Staff Services)
- E. Change in School Hours for the 2018-2019 School Year – Sid Grant (Associate Superintendent)

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

President Fisher will give a legislative update at the next Board meeting. A report on the TASB Risk Management Fund was provided by Anthony Hill, and David Caviness discussed the TASB Summer Leadership Institute.

## **CONSENT**

Thom Hulme made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 25, 2018; special meetings held on June 26, 2018 and July 16, 2018; and training meeting held on July 9, 2018
2. Approve monthly 2017-2018 Budget Amendments
3. Approve Financial Report for June 2018
4. Approve 2018-2019 Appraisal Calendar and Second Appraisers

David Caviness seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

## **ACTION**

A motion was made by Thom Hulme and seconded by Anthony Hill to add, revise or delete (LOCAL) policies as recommended and presented. The motion carried 7-0.

Leigh Walker made a motion to approve the EIF Resolution to Consider Alternative Graduation Requirements. Nichole Bentley seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Anthony Hill made a motion to approve amending of the construction contract between Coppell ISD and Northstar Builders Group, LLC to include the Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$14,853,782 for Phase 2 of the Coppell Middle School East additions and renovations and the Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$2,989,569 for the Coppell Middle School North additions and renovations as proposed by Northstar Builders Group, LLC, and that Sid Grant be authorized to sign the necessary documents. The motion was seconded by David Caviness. The motion carried 7-0.

A motion to approve shifting \$400,000 from 2016 bond project savings/bond interest earnings to project #59, General Classroom Furniture and Equipment was made by Thom Hulme and seconded by Manish Sethi. David Caviness moved to amend the motion by reducing the amount from \$400,000 to \$250,000. The motion was seconded by Nichole Bentley. The amendment to the motion failed with 2 votes in favor (Caviness and Bentley) and 5 against (Hulme, Sethi, Fisher, Walker, and Hill). After further discussion, Nichole Bentley moved to amend the motion to approve \$100,000 for the field house furniture and an additional \$150,000 for discretionary furniture spending, and that the Board would be notified when the fund balance falls below \$50,000 so the account could be replenished as necessary in order not to spend Maintenance & Operations funds. David Caviness seconded the motion. The amendment to the motion failed with 2 votes in favor (Caviness and Bentley) and 5 against (Hulme, Sethi, Fisher, Walker, and Hill). The motion on the table to approve shifting \$400,000 from 2016 bond project savings/bond interest earnings to project #59, General Classroom Furniture and Equipment passed with 5 votes in favor (Hulme, Sethi, Fisher, Walker and Hill) and 2 against (Caviness and Bentley).

Leigh Walker made a motion to approve Siemens Industry, Inc., and Superior Fiber & Data Services, Inc., to complete the security camera upgrade project for \$1,243,467. The motion was seconded by Anthony Hill and carried by a vote of 7-0.

Thom Hulme made a motion to approve McDonald & Associates, Inc. as the firm to complete a closeout construction audit of Northstar Builders Group for the new Coppell Middle School West project at a total cost not to exceed \$58,560. David Caviness seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

The Board of Trustees postponed consideration of Item H (endorsement of candidates for TASB Board of Directors) to the August meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Leigh Walker made a motion to adjourn the meeting. David Caviness seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

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Tracy Fisher, Board President

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Leigh Walker, Secretary

*Approved on August 27, 2018*