

Minutes of the July 24, 2017 - Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in regular session on July 24, 2017, at 6:17 p.m. in the Board Room of 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; Judy Barbo, Vice President; Leigh Walker, Secretary; Anthony Hill; Thom Hulme; and David Caviness

A quorum was present.

Notice of this meeting was posted on July 20, 2017 at 3:45 p.m.

At 6:17 p.m., President Fisher declared the Board in Closed Session as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters), and Section 551.0821 (School Children and Personally Identifiable Information about Public School Students)

Legal counsel present: Chad Timmons (Abernathy, Roeder, Boyd & Hullett, P.C.)

President Fisher declared the Board in Open Session at 7:53 p.m.

Staff present: Mr. Wilburn O. Echols, Jr., Interim Superintendent; Kay Ryon, Administrative Assistant; Brad Hunt; Dr. Marilyn Denison; Kelly Penny; Sid Grant; Louis Macias; and Curriculum Staff

ACTION ITEM

Judy Barbo made a motion to hire Dr. Gregory Axelson as the Coppell Middle School North Principal. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by David Caviness and seconded by Thom Hulme to deny the Level IV appeal and uphold the Administration's prior decision. The motion carried 6-0.

AWARDS

UIL State Solo and Ensemble – Band and Choir

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Anthony Hill gave the invocation and led the Pledge.

OPEN FORUM

Elizabeth Chappell – CHS Solar Car Team

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS – SUPERINTENDENT

- A. Summer Construction Update – Louis Macias, Director of Facilities
- B. Richard J. Lee Elementary Repair Update – Sid Grant, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Support Services
- C. Durham Student Transportation Conversion Update – Sid Grant, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Support Services
- D. Budget Update – Kelly Penny, Chief Financial Officer
- E. Curriculum Writing Project Update – Dr. Marilyn Dension, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

DISCUSSION AND REPORTS ITEMS – BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tracy Fisher – Legislative Report
Anthony Hill – Visioning Conference

CONSENT

Item VI (CMS East athletic complex wrought iron fence) was pulled for separate consideration.

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

- 1. Approve minutes of the regular meeting held on June 26, 2017, and special meetings held on June 27, 2017; July 5, 2017; and July 10, 2017
- 2. Approve monthly 2016-2017 Budget Amendments
- 3. Approve Financial Report for June 2017
- 4. Approve 2017-2018 Appraisal Calendar and Second Appraisers
- 5. Approve the conveyance of a wastewater utility easement on the CISD 70 acre tract within Cypress Waters to the City of Dallas

Judy Barbo seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

ACTION

A motion was made by Thom Hulme to complete the Coppell Middle School East Athletic Complex fence replacement - 2017 Bond Project #30 (Item IV from the Consent Agenda). David Caviness seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Anthony Hill and seconded by Thom Hulme to endorse Donald Gant (DeSoto ISD) to fill a position on the TASB Board of Directors. The motion carried 6-0.

At 9:13 p.m., President Fisher declared the Board in Closed Session as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney),

Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters), and Section 551-0821 (School Children and Personally Identifiable Information about Public School Students).

President Fisher declared the Board in Open Session at 9:38 p.m.

Anthony Hill made a motion to employ professional personnel as recommended by the Interim Superintendent. David Caviness seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Judy Barbo and seconded Leigh Walker. The motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Tracy Fisher, Board President

Leigh Walker, Secretary

Approved on August 29, 2017