

Minutes of the October 23, 2017 - Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on October 23, 2017, at 6:01 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; Anthony Hill; Thom Hulme (arrived at 6:10 p.m.), and David Caviness

Members absent: Leigh Walker

A quorum was present.

Notice of this meeting was posted on October 20, 2017, at 1:30 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Kay Ryon, Notary Public, administered the Officer's Statement and Oath of Office to the newly appointed Board member, Susie Kemp (Place 2). Mrs. Kemp was appointed by the Board of Trustees to fill the vacancy created by Jill Popelka's resignation.

CLOSED SESSION

At 6:04 p.m., President Fisher declared the Board in Closed Session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters.

OPEN SESSION

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

Staff present: Brad Hunt, Superintendent; Kay Ryon, Administrative Assistant; Kelly Penny; Kristen Streeter; Stephen McGilvray; Louis Macias; Deana Dynis; Curriculum Staff; Amanda Simpson; and Campus Principals

Anthony Hill made a motion to approve new hires for professional personnel as recommended by the Superintendent. David Caviness seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

- Best of High School Photography Publication – Current and Former Yearbook Staffers
- Lee Elementary and New Tech High were selected as Apple Distinguished Schools for 2017-2019.
- October is National Principals Month.

AWARDS

- Texas Association of School Resource Officers “*Agency of the Year*” for the State of Texas award – Coppell Police Department School Resource Officers Unit
- Texas Association of School Resource Officers “*School Resource Officer of the Year*” for the State of Texas award – CMS East Officer Tonard Warmsley
- PBS Learning Media’s and *Stand Up to Cancer’s* “Emperor of Science Award” – Lekitha Ammaresh

David Caviness gave the invocation and led the pledge.

OPEN FORUM

The following individuals spoke during the Open Forum section of the meeting:

Ray Walker – Facilities Naming

Huan Huang – Lunar New Year

PUBLIC HEARING

A public meeting was held to discuss the Coppell Independent School District’s state financial accountability rating. Kelly Penny, Chief Financial Officer, presented information regarding the school FIRST rating for 2016-2017. No citizen expressed an interest in speaking regarding the rating and financial performance of the district.

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS - SUPERINTENDENT

Construction Update – Louis Macias, Executive Director of Facilities & Special Projects

Facilities Naming Committee – Sangeeta Bachani, Facilities Naming Committee Representative

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS – BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tracy Fisher reported on the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Board and gave a Legislative Update.

A report on the 2017 TASA/TASB Conference was provided by Judy Barbo.

Thom Hulme spoke about TASB Leadership.

The following reports were given by Anthony Hill:

- North Texas Area Association of School Boards (NTAASB)
- School Health Advisory Council (SHAC)
- District Education Improvement Council (DEIC)

CONSENT

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

1. Approve minutes of the regular Board meeting held on September 25, 2017, and the Board training meeting held on October 2, 2017
2. Approve monthly budget amendments for 2017-2018
3. Approve Financial Report for September 2017
4. Adopt resolution recommitting Operating Fund Balance
5. Approve revised Shared Services Arrangement Agreement with the Plano Regional Day School Program for the Deaf

Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

ACTION

A motion was made by David Caviness to award RFQ #27-40 for Bond Counsel to Kristen Savant with Norton Rose Fulbright and that upon approval by the Board of Trustees, the Business Office will execute an engagement letter. Judy Barbo seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

Anthony Hill made a motion to approve the 2017-2018 Campus Improvement Plans as presented. The motion was seconded by Thom Hulme. The motion carried 5-0-1. (Susie Kemp abstained from voting.)

A motion to approve Longhorn Bus Sales as the vendor to supply fourteen (14) International 77 passenger student school buses at a total cost of \$1,341,888.00 was made by Thom Hulme and seconded by Susie Kemp. The motion carried 6-0.

Judy Barbo made a motion to approve a Resolution relating to Agreement with FedEx Trade Networks Transport & Brokerage, Inc. for Foreign Trade Zone and Payment of Taxes; a Payment in Lieu of Tax (PILOT) Agreement, and provide a letter of support for the requested Foreign Trade Zone Exemption. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

David Caviness moved that the Board postpone the decision to name the new middle school and 9th grade campus. Thom Hulme seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

David Caviness made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Judy Babo seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Tracy Fisher, Board President

Leigh Walker, Secretary

Approved on November 27, 2017