

## **Minutes of the December 17, 2018 - Regular School Board Meeting**

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on December 17, 2018, at 5:31 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 Tracy Fisher.

Members present: Tracy Fisher, President; David Caviness, Vice President (arrived at 5:40 p.m.); Leigh Walker, Secretary; Manish Sethi; Anthony Hill; Thom Hulme (arrived at 6:20 p.m.); and Nichole Bentley

A quorum was present.

Notice of this meeting was posted on December 14, 2018 at 3:15 p.m.

Great Educators Matter (GEM) recognition was held in the Board Room of the Vonita White Administration Building.

At 6:14 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 and Section 551.072 – Deliberations regarding Real Property.

President Fisher declared the Board in Open Session at 7:04 p.m.

Staff present: Brad Hunt, Superintendent; Kay Ryon, Administrative Assistant; Kelly Penny; Sid Grant; Kristen Streeter; Dr. Angie Applegate; Deana Dynis; Stephen McGilvray; Kelly Mires; Louis Macias; Diana Sircar; Patricia Cheatham and Jennifer Villines

A motion was made by Anthony Hill and seconded by David Caviness to accept the new hires for professional personnel as recommended by the Superintendent. The motion carried 7-0.

Leigh Walker made a motion to approve Ashley Minton as the Principal of Canyon Ranch Elementary. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

### **DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS**

GEM Recognition

SuperTeachers

CISD Campuses announce Teachers of the Year

Coppell ISD Education Foundation Grant Patrol

CHS Cowboy Pep Rally Visits to Elementary Schools

Chamber of Commerce Legislative Town Hall Luncheon

### **AWARDS**

Barbara S. Austin Elementary 5<sup>th</sup> grader Uttalika Dutta was recognized as the CISD Holiday Greeting Card winner. Diya Firos, a 3<sup>rd</sup> grader at Richard J. Lee Elementary, was congratulated for being among the winners of the 2018 Barbara Bush Foundation student essay contest.

## **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

David Caviness gave the invocation and led the Pledge.

## **OPEN FORUM**

The following individuals addressed the Board during the Open Forum portion of the meeting:

Ty G Jones – Leadership TASB presentation to Thom Hulme

Tammie Stewart – Represented Huntington Ridge neighborhood in support of Option A2 plan for rezoning

Sumedh Panaparambil – Elementary school rezoning

Nikil Watkar – Boundary realignment affecting Parkside elementary students

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

Louis Macias, Executive Director of Facilities and Special Projects, presented a construction project update including Canyon Ranch Elementary school, Coppell Middle School East, and Coppell Middle School North. Associate Superintendent Sid Grant gave an update on the district's boundary realignment process.

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

President Fisher gave a legislative update and provided information on the District Education Improvement Committee (DEIC). A report on the Long Range Technology Planning Committee was presented by Anthony Hill. Manish Sethi reported on the Coppell Education Foundation, and David Caviness updated information on the Superintendent's evaluation procedures.

## **CONSENT**

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

1. Approve minutes of the meeting held on November 26, 2018
2. Approve Monthly Budget Amendments for 2018-2019
3. Approve Financial Report for November 2018
4. Approve Quarterly Investment report for Period Ending November 30, 2018
5. Approve changes made to Board Operating Procedures

Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0. (Hulme was not present when the vote was taken.)

**ACTION**

Thom Hulme made a motion to approve the annual financial audit for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2018, as presented. (Robert Lake from Rutherford, Taylor & Company presented the audit.) Nichole Bentley seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Thom Hulme seconded by Anthony Hill that the Board adopt revisions to (LOCAL) policies CKC: Safety Program/Risk Management – Emergency Plans, DH: Employee Standards of Conduct, and GKA: Community Relations – Conduct on School Premises, as presented. The motion carried 7-0.

Thom Hulme made a motion to approve the identified and specifically designated individual with authority to carry a firearm in accordance with administrative regulations and Board policies. Nichole Bentley seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

A motion to approve a Resolution, Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreement and a letter of support for the creation of a Foreign Trade Zone to be located at 220 N. Freeport Parkway, Coppell, Texas was made by David Caviness. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

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Tracy Fisher, Board President

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Leigh Walker, Secretary

*Approved on January 14, 2019*