

Summary of the January 20, 2014 School Board Meeting

The school board met on Monday, January 20, 2013 to discuss the following agenda items.

School Board Appreciation Month

We had a full house in observation of Texas School Board Appreciation Month. Campus principals and students expressed their appreciation to the board and then presented them with a gift certificate and thank you card.

Our DISD School Board



Kirk Pope, Pres.



Johnny Schmucker, Vice-Pres.



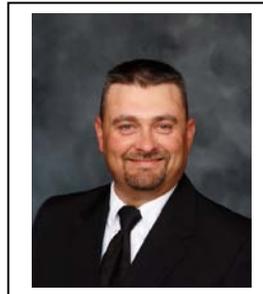
Joe Ballard, Sec.



Brent Clark



Joe Rammage



Kevin Weatherford



Patty Willis

A big thank you goes to our board members for the many, many hours they dedicate to the district. These community service positions not only come without a paycheck, but they also require an election in order to serve a three year term. Their service is greatly appreciated by the students, parents, staff and community of Dumas ISD!

Special Recognitions

Sunset teacher Harmony Rubalcaba, along with five of her students, were in attendance to present a research program they conducted by an online blog with students of the same age in Australia. They not only shared written information with each other but were also able to hear the voices of the children from the other country. It was an exciting opportunity to learn about the world via the internet.

Carl Clements, Principal of the North Plains Opportunity Center, had two of the students from his campus share how the campus has given them the opportunity to succeed in high school classes and the positive effects it has had on them personally.

ACTION ITEMS

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Patty Willis to approve the consent agenda as presented and to amend the budget in order to spend donations as requested by the donor. Motion was seconded by Brent Clark and carried with a 6-0 board vote. (Kevin Weatherford was unable to attend the meeting.)

- A. Minutes of December 16, 2013 – Regular Meeting
- B. Gifts – \$1,300 from the Boys Soccer Booster Club for program travel.

Budget Amendments

A motion was made by Joe Ballard, seconded by Patty Willis, and carried 6-0 by the board to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$25,000 to the transportation repair account.

District Textbook Committee Appointments

A motion was made by Johnny Schmucker, seconded by Joe Rammage and carried 6-0 by the board to approve the 2013-2014 Textbook Committee.

Personnel

The following personnel items were presented to the board.

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| Appointments: | None |
| Resignations: | Diamon Hughes, World History Teacher/Coach |
| Retirements: | None |

Because resignations and retirements do not require board approval, no action was necessary on behalf of the board.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Update on Campus Targeted Improvement Plans

This past fall, campuses and the district developed a Targeted Improvement Plan to address the 2-5 critical needs on each of their campuses and at the district. Principals, along with Kelly Legg, Frances Whitson and Sally Heaton, were in attendance to share their quarterly evaluations of progress towards meeting their goals.

Gym Floor Graphics

At the December 16, 2013 school board meeting, the board voted to replace the gym floor at the high school. They were presented with suggestions for floor graphics this meeting.

Enrollment Report

Current enrollment is 4,554 as compared to 4,561 last week and 4,639 this time last year.

Financial Report for November and December 2013

A summary of the full financial report covering the period from July 1, 2013 through November 2013 and then December 2013 for all funds was viewed by the board.

Check Register for November and December 2013

The check registers for November and December 2013 was presented to the board for their information.

Facility Improvements

The board reviewed work projects as reported by the operations department.

ACTION ITEM

Superintendent Evaluation and Consideration of Contract

Board President Kirk Pope called the meeting into closed session at 10:03 p.m., stating that no action would take place during that time. The meeting returned to open session at 10:58 p.m., with Mr. Pope stating again that no action was taken during the closed session.

Upon return to open session, a motion was made by Patty Willis and seconded by Joe Ramage to extend Superintendent Mark Stroebel's contract one year. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

The next meeting of the Dumas ISD School Board will be on Monday, February 10, 7:00 p.m. at Central Office.