

Summary of the February 9, 2015 School Board Meeting

The school board met on Monday, February 9, 2015.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., with the board addressing these agenda items.

Members Present: Joe Ballard, President; Kirk Pope, Vice President; Patty Willis, Secretary; Joe Rammage, Brandon Skipworth

Members Absent: Brent Clark, Kevin Weatherford

ACTION ITEMS

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Patty Willis, seconded by Kirk Pope and carried with a 5-0 Board vote to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- A. Minutes of the January 12, 2015 Regular Meeting
- B. Gifts – Diamond Shamrock Refinery gave \$1,000 for the purchase of an awning for the track teams.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Update on Campus Targeted Improvement Plans

In the fall, each campus and the district developed a Targeted Improvement Plan to address the 2-5 critical needs on each campus and at the district. Part of the plan includes quarterly evaluations to monitor whether the interventions and strategies are working and what adjustments need to be made. Campus principals were in attendance to brief the board on this progress.

ACTION ITEMS

District Textbook Committee Appointments

Rhonda Artho presented names for the Textbook Committee and information on instructional materials. A motion to approve the 2015 Textbook Committee was made by Kirk Pope, seconded by Patty Willis and carried with a vote of 5-0.

Local Policy Update 101

A motion was made by Patty Willis, seconded by Joe Rammage and carried 5-0 by the board to add, revise and delete local policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service according to the Instructions Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 101 with the exception of policy BE(Local), which shall be changed to require one regular board meeting per month to be held on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

As a result of the change in BE(Local), the DISD School Board will regularly meet on the 2nd Monday of each month as opposed to currently meeting on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month, with the option to hold additional meetings when needed.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Check Register for December 2014

The check register for December 2014 was presented for review.

Financial Report for December 2014

A summary of the full financial report, covering the period from July 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 for all funds was presented to the board.

Enrollment Report

The enrollment report showed a student count of 4,520, as compared to 4,533 last week and 4,541 this time last year.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Transportation Bus Concerns

The board discussed concerns and available options for bus transportation. Eddie Crossland, Director of Operations, was in attendance to answer questions regarding travel and repair costs of the different types of units.

ACTION ITEMS

Personnel

At 8:50 p.m., Board President Joe Ballard called the meeting into closed session, stating that no action would take place during the session.

The meeting returned to regular session at 9:50 p.m., with Mr. Ballard stating again that no action had taken place during closed session.

The following personnel items were presented to the board. A motion was made by Kirk Pope, seconded by Patty Willis and carried 5-0 by the board to approve the personnel agenda as presented.

Appointments: None

Resignations: Val Dutcher, Reading Recovery Teacher at Green Acres

Retirements: None

Contract Considerations - One Year Contract Offered to the following:

Phil Guerra, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel, Central Office
Kelly Legg, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, Central Office
Kurt Baxter, Junior High Principal
Kelly Carrell, Sunset Principal
Philip Rhodes, Intermediate School Principal
Mike Mueller, Director of Information Technology, Central Office
Eddie Crossland, Director of Operations, Central Office
Larry Payne, Chief of Police, High School
Patty Woods, Director of Food Service, Central Office

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Report

Monty Hysinger, DISD Superintendent, presented items of interest to the board.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Dumas ISD School Board will be on Monday, March 9, 2105, 7:00 p.m. at Central Office.