

Summary of the March 24, 2014 School Board Meeting

The school board met on Monday, March 24, 2014 to discuss the following agenda items.

Special Recognitions

Eric Clark and the Intermediate School 6th Grade Science Club were at the meeting to demonstrate their robotic projects to the board. Mr. Clark explained the guidelines students were presented and students demonstrated motorized vehicles they had created. Students also visited with the board about how they enjoyed the club and creating their projects.

Items of Special Recognition in the board book were noted.

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 gifts as requested by the donors. Motion was seconded by Brent Clark and carried with a 7-0 board vote.

- A. Minutes of February 24, 2014 – Regular Meeting
- B. Minutes of March 22, 2014 Board Retreat
- C. Gifts
 - There were no gifts to report.

2014 Property Tax Value Exemptions

A motion was made by Brent Clark, seconded by Patty Willis and carried with a 7-0 board vote to continue the optional homestead exemption of 20% for the 2014 tax year.

Order to Cancel May 10, 2014 Trustee Election

There were only two candidates to sign for a place on the ballot for the two open positions in the upcoming school trustee election. Under this circumstance, it is lawful to cancel the election.

A motion was made by Joe Ballard, seconded by Kevin Weatherford and carried by a 7-0 board vote.

Budget Amendment – Band Instruments

With a motion made by Joe Ballard, seconded by Patty Willis and carried 7-0, the board approved amending the budget for \$18,000 for purchase of band instruments.

Stadium Track Improvements

A motion was made by Patty Willis, seconded by Johnny Schmucker and carried 7-0 by the board to authorize administration to proceed with the project of replacing the running track at the stadium, including complete replacement of the underlying asphalt and areas for field events.

Purchasing Method for Stadium Track Improvements

Kevin Weatherford made a motion to approve a resolution by the board to accept competitive sealed proposals as the purchasing method for stadium track improvements. Motion was seconded by Joe Rammage and passed by the board with a 7-0 vote.

Election of Region 16 Board of Directors

Region 16 has two places on their Board of Directors up for election. School districts in the region were invited to cast ballots. Ballots were completed by each board member in order to be returned to Region 16.

Personnel

The following personnel items were presented to the board. A motion was made by Joe Ballard, seconded by Kevin Weatherford and carried 7-0 by the board to approve the appointments as presented. Resignations and retirements do not require board approval.

Appointments: Jennifer Rogers, High School Head Basketball Coach

Resignations: Alice Murrah, Cactus 2nd Grade Teacher

Retirements: Yolanda Flores, Cactus Librarian
Beverly Milligan, High School Spanish Teacher
John Ratliff, Morningside PE Teacher
Carolyn Thatcher, Hillcrest 4th Grade Teacher
Eva Ward, Intermediate School 5th Grade Social Studies Teacher

INFORMATION ITEMS

Enrollment Report

Current enrollment is 4,492 as compared to 4,511 last week and 4,588 this time last year.

Check Register for February 2014

The check register for February 2014 was presented to the board for their information.

Financial Report for February 2014

A summary of the full financial report for all funds covering the period from July 1, 2013 through February 2014 was viewed by the board.

Facility Improvements

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

The next meeting of the Dumas ISD School Board will be on Monday, April 14, 7:00 p.m. at Central Office.