

Summary of the March 25, 2013 School Board Meeting

The school board met on Monday, March 25, 2013 to discuss the following agenda items.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Rudy Sanchez and representatives from the DHS Band were in attendance. The band is in the process of making a decision regarding new uniforms, so samples were worn by students for the board to compare. Questions were asked of the students regarding their preferences and opinions of both samples.

DJHS 8th graders, along with Science teachers Kevin Smith and Cuffy Beauchamp, did a great job of demonstrating the theory of motion through mouse trap cars. They also presented a song called Phases of the Moon.

Other items of special recognition on DISD students were noted by the board from the handbook.

ACTION ITEMS

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Brent Clark, seconded by Joe Ballard and approved by a 6-0 board vote to approve the consent agenda as presented and to amend the budget in order to approve gifts as requested. (Kevin Weatherford was unable to attend the meeting.)

A. Minutes of February 26, 2013 Regular Meeting

B. Gifts

Dumas Baseball Boosters - \$2,500 for travel in the program

Demon Softball Boosters - \$1,818 for travel in the program

Property Tax Value Exemptions

A motion was made by Jordan Mills, seconded by Johnny Schmucker and approved with a 6-0 board vote to continue the optional homestead exemption of 20% for the 2013 tax year.

2012-2013 School Calendar Modifications

The 2012-2013 school calendar was originally approved with April 20th being a Weather Day and May 3rd being a staff development day. DISD canceled school on February 25th due to a blizzard. After reviewing the calendar and receiving input from District Council, it was suggested that the makeup day could be changed to Friday, May 3rd in order to not require students to attend on Saturday, and the staff development day would be moved to April 20th.

Motion to approve May 3rd as the school makeup day and April 20th as the staff development makeup day was made by Brent Clark, seconded by Patty Willis and carried with a 6-0 board vote.

2013-2014 School Calendar

The calendar for the 2013-2014 school year as proposed by District Council was presented to the board and approved with a motion by Patty Willis, second by Jordan Mills and a 6-0 board vote.

Order to Cancel May 11, 2013 Trustee Election

There are currently only two candidates for the two open positions in the upcoming school trustee election and the filing period for a place on the ballot has closed. Under these circumstances, it is lawful to cancel the election. The two positions that were up for election are those for current board members Jordan Mills and Patty Willis. The two candidates for those

positions are Mrs. Willis and Joe Rammage. Mr. Mills has decided not to run for re-election to the board.

A motion to approve cancellation of the May 11, 2013 Trustee Election was made by Joe Ballard, seconded by Brent Clark and approved with a 6-0 board vote.

Tax Collection Contract with Moore County

A motion was made by Johnny Schmucker, seconded by Patty Willis and carried with a 6-0 board vote to approve the Contract for Assessment and Collection Services with Moore County for the period from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

Instructional Materials Allotment and TEKS Certification, 2013-2014

Districts are required to certify annually to the State Board of Education and the Commissioner that for each subject in the required curriculum, students have access to the instructional materials that cover all of the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills. The Instructional Materials Allotment and TEKS Certification form must be presented before the local board of trustees or governing body.

With a motion made by Jordan Mills, seconded by Joe Ballard and carried by a 6-0 board vote, the board approved the Instructional Materials Allotment and TEKS Certification for 2013-2014.

Purchasing Method for Roof Replacement Project

A resolution to use a Competitive Sealed Proposal to determine the replacement and repair of roofs district wide was approved with a motion made by Patty Willis, seconded by Brent Clark and carried with a 6-0 board vote.

Budget Amendment

A budget amendment to move \$20,000 remaining in a transportation account to a maintenance account was requested.

A motion was made by Johnny Schmucker, seconded by Jordan Mills and carried by a 6-0 board vote to approve the budget amendment as requested.

Personnel

The following personnel items were presented to the board. A motion was made by Joe Ballard, seconded by Brent Clark and carried with a 6-0 board vote to approve the appointment as requested. Resignations and retirements do not require board approval.

Appointments: Victoria Clark, High School French Teacher

Resignations: Irma Davila, Green Acres Kindergarten Teacher
Holli Floyd, Cactus 1st Grade Teacher

Retirements: Linda Ladd, Intermediate School 6th Grade Teacher
Sheryl McCracken, Intermediate 5th Grade Teacher
Joyce Snow, Central Office Diagnostician

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Local Policy Update #96 – First Reading

The first reading of Policy Update #96 from TASB was presented to the board.

INFORMATION ITEMS

DEDC Grant

The DEDC Community Grant Committee approved to partially fund our Ag Barn for \$11,000. The recommendation will now go before the City Commission for a public hearing and approval on April 5th. After a 60 day waiting period is completed on May 10th, funds for the project will be available if approved by all entities.

Enrollment Report

Current enrollment is 4,588 as opposed to 4,597 last week and 4,543 this time last year.

Check Registers for February 2013

The check register for February 2013 was presented to the board for their information

Financial Report for February 2013

A review of financial information for February 2013 was presented.

Construction Update

The board reviewed the construction update on current projects throughout the district.

The next meeting of the Dumas ISD School Board will be on Monday, April 8, 2013, 7:00 p.m. at Central Office.