

Summary of the August 25, 2014 School Board Meeting

The school board met on Monday, August 25, 2014.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m., with the board addressing these agenda items.

ACTION ITEMS

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Patty Willis, seconded by Joe Ballard and carried 6-0 by the board to approve the consent agenda as presented. (Brent Clark was unable to attend the meeting.)

- A. Minutes of August 11, 2014 – Regular Meeting
- B. Gifts – There were no gifts to report.

Chapter 41 – Agreement to Purchase Attendance Credits

With a motion made by Kevin Weatherford and seconded by Joe Rammage, the board approved 6-0 to execute the Agreement to Purchase Attendance Credits for the 2014-2015 school year. Because DISD is a Chapter 41 district, this action is taken to equalize our wealth level to the amount required by law.

Resolution Regarding Hazardous Traffic Conditions

A motion was made by Kirk Pope, seconded by Patty Willis and approved 6-0 by the board to adopt a resolution designating hazardous bus routes in our district. Because students in Cactus and Etter are required to cross US HWY 287 to get to Cactus Elementary, the district designates those routes as hazardous even though they are within the 2 mile exclusion for bus service, ensuring those students can be safely delivered to school.

Nomination of Appraisal District Director

A resolution to nominate Donna Barbour for the vacant seat on the Moore County Appraisal District Board of Directors was made by Joe Ballard, seconded by Kevin Weatherford and carried 6-0 by the board.

INFORMATION ITEMS

504 Guidelines

James Bussard, Director of Special Services, was in attendance to present information on Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Dumas ISD will ensure that students with disabilities within its boundaries are identified, evaluated and provided a free, appropriate public education. Dumas ISD does not discriminate on the basis of disability with regard to admission, access to educational services, treatment or employment in its program or activities.

Bilingual/ESL Program Annual Report

Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §89.1265 states all districts required to conduct a bilingual or English as a second language program shall conduct periodic assessment and continuous diagnosis in the languages of instruction to determine program impact and student outcomes in all subject areas. The district must annually report to the board academic progress, and this report was presented by Kelly Legg.

Check Register as of July 31, 2014

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

Financial Report as of July 31, 2014

A financial report showing ending monthly balances of investments and average daily balances, as well as the monthly tax collection report was presented to the board.

Enrollment Report

Enrollment reports for the first day of school showed 4,481 students, compared to 4,450 at the end of the school year and 4,486 this time last year.

Safety and Security Audit

The district conducts a safety audit every three years as required by law. The audit was done by Edwards Risk Management, and results were presented to the board. Overall, the district received a very good report.

Construction Update

Updates on construction projects throughout the district were presented to the board.

ACTION ITEMS

Personnel

The following items were presented to the board.

Appointments: None

Resignations: Katie Kight, Hillcrest 2nd Grade Teacher

Retirements: None

There was no vote taken, as resignations and/or retirements do not require board approval.

At 7:53 p.m., Board President Johnny Schmucker called the meeting into closed session, stating that no action would take place during that time. At 8:34 p.m., the meeting returned to open session, with Mr. Schmucker stating again that no action had taken place during the closed meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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