

Summary of the September 8, 2014 School Board Meeting

The school board met on Monday, September 8, 2014.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 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 5-0 by the board to approve the consent agenda as presented. (Joe Rammage and Kevin Weatherford were unable to attend the meeting.)

- A. Minutes of August 25, 2014 – Regular Meeting
- B. Gifts – There were no gifts to report.

2014-2015 Tax Rate

A motion was made by Kirk Pope, seconded by Brent Clark and carried 5-0 by the board to adopt a resolution establishing the following tax rates to be applied per one hundred valuation of property on the appraisal roll for 2014:

Maintenance and Operations	\$1.0400
Interest and Sinking	<u>\$0.1046</u>
Total Tax Rate	\$1.1446

Local Policy Update 100

The board voted 5-0, with a motion made by Patty Willis and seconded by Joe Ballard, to add, revise and delete local policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service according to Update 100. The following policies were updated.

- CKE (Local) - Safety Program/Risk Management - Security Personnel
- CPC (Local) - Office Management - Records Management
- CRD (Local) - Insurance and Annuities Management - Health and Life Insurance
- DCB (Local) - Employment Practices - Term Contracts
- DCD (Local) - Employment Practices - At-Will Employment
- DCE (Local) - Employment Practices - Other Types of Contracts
- FDA (Local) - Admissions - Interdistrict Transfers
- FL (Local) - Student Records
- GKB (Local) - Community Relations - Advertising and Fund Raising in the Schools

INFORMATION ITEMS

2013-2014 Reading Recovery Site Report

Frances Whitson and Tammy Robinson were in attendance to present the 2013-2014 Reading Recovery Site Report. First implemented in Dumas ISD in 1993, this short-term literacy intervention targets first graders in the lower 20% of their class and is designed to accelerate their learning to bring them up with the average of their classmates.

In 2013-2014, one hundred eleven of our DISD first grade students were served. Over the last 21 years, DISD has served 2,272 students. The Dumas Site, consisting of Dumas ISD and 7 other area districts, has served 5,770 students over that time. Reading Recovery has proven to be one of Dumas ISD's most beneficial programs for its students.

Superintendent Search Status

The district has posted a Superintendent Vacancy notice on TexasISD, TASA and the DISD website. The application period will close on October 3rd, with the review of applications and interviews following throughout the month of October.

The process will conclude with the naming of a “Lone Finalist” in early November and the board approving the candidate after the mandatory 21 day timeline as outlined in state law. The desire of the board is that the new superintendent will assume their duties with Dumas ISD in January 2015.

Enrollment Report

The enrollment report showed a student count of 4,572, as compared to 4,561 last week and 4576 this time last year.

Facility Improvements

Updates on projects throughout the district were reported.

ACTION ITEMS

Personnel

A motion was made by Joe Ballard, seconded by Brent Clark and carried 5-0 by the board to approve the personnel items as presented.

Appointments: Jessica Kruger, Cactus Pre-K/ESL Teacher

Resignations: None

Retirements: None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

The next meeting of the Dumas ISD School Board will be on Monday, September 22, 7:00 p.m. at Central Office.