

Summary of June 18, 2012 School Board Meeting

The school board met Monday evening to address the following agenda items.

ACTION ITEMS

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Patty Willis, seconded by Joe Ballard and approved with a 5-0 board vote to approve the consent agenda as presented. (Kevin Weatherford was unable to attend the meeting. Brent Clark arrived at 7:05 and was included in the next vote.)

- A. Minutes of the May 21, 2012 Regular Meeting
- B. Gifts
 - There were no gifts to report.

DCD (Local) Employment Practices – At Will Employment – 2nd Reading

A motion was made by Jordan Mills and seconded by Johnny Schmucker to approve changes to this policy, stating that an employee who is dismissed is to be paid for hours that are in the time system as opposed to being paid through the end of the day. Motion carried with a 6-0 board vote. (Brent Clark arrived at the meeting and was included in this vote.)

DEA (Local) Compensation and Benefits – Wage and Hour Laws – 2nd Reading

A motion was made by Joe Ballard, seconded by Patty Willis and carried with a 6-0 board vote to adopt a change to this policy allowing comp time to be accrued up to 80 hours and deleting the section that states comp time must be used within the same year that it is earned.

Region 16 Education Service Center Contracts

The Region 16 Education Service Center in Amarillo offers a variety of services for school districts in our region, and DISD participates in several of those. A list of contracts to renew with the Service Center was presented to the board.

A motion was made by Johnny Schmucker, seconded by Joe Ballard and carried by a 6-0 board vote to approve the proposed contracts as listed for the 2012-2013 school year.

Budget Amendment – Two DISD Police Cars

A motion was made by Joe Ballard, seconded by Jordan Mills and carried with a 6-0 board vote to amend the general fund budget for \$61,500 in order to purchase two police cars from the state contract.

Fund Balance Transfers

A motion was made by Patty Willis, seconded by Brent Clark and carried 6-0 by the board to transfer \$1.4 million to the Other Commit Fund Balance in the General Operating Fund.

Sale of Tax Foreclosed Property at 712 Binkley

The County foreclosed on the property at 712 Binkley due to unpaid property taxes of \$9,401.87. The property went through a tax sale but no bids were made. The tax assessor/collector reported a person has tendered \$7,000 for the property. Each taxing entity is required to decide if they will approve the sale since the amount is for less than the taxes owed.

Since the property had already been through a sale and no bids were offered, motion was made by Brent Clark and seconded by Jordan Mills to approve the sale. Vote carried 6-0.

Request by DCP Midstream to Waive Tax Penalty

A request by DCP Midstream was received to waive the penalty and interest accrued on unpaid property taxes owed on several mineral interest accounts in the district.

A motion to deny the request was made by Patty Willis, seconded by Joe Ballard and carried with a 6-0 board vote.

Revised 457 Deferred Compensation Plan

The district has had a 457 Deferred Compensation Plan for several years. Although the district does not match contributions made by employees, the plan does allow staff members to contribute tax free to a retirement account.

Because the district is changing third plan administrators in September, a motion was made by Jordan Mills, seconded by Johnny Schmucker and carried with a 6-0 board vote to approve the amendment and restatement of the 457 Deferred Compensation Plan and authorize Greg Lewis to execute any required documents.

Personnel

The following personnel items were presented to the board. A motion was made by Jordan Mills, seconded by Brent Clark and approved with a 6-0 board vote to approve the appointments. Resignations and retirements do not require board approval.

- A. Appointments: Kassandra Crabtree, Green Acres Kindergarten Teacher
 Irma Davilla, Green Acres Bilingual Teacher
 Lance Hagler, Junior High 7th Grade Math Teacher
 Jaclyn Schultz, Cactus 3rd Grade Teacher
 Kevin York, Junior High Teacher/Coach

- B. Resignations: Lana Anderton, High School World History Teacher
 Ryan Crawford, Morningside 4th Grade Teacher
 Kim Hancock Eli Jalkh, Tech Specialist
 Brian Ozbun, High School Teacher/Coach
 Mark Wittie, Dumas ISD Police Officer

- C. Retirements: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Board Policy FFAF (Local) – Wellness and Health Services, Care Plans – 1st Reading

SB 27 from the 82nd Legislative Session requires districts to adopt local policy by August 1, 2012 addressing students with food allergies who are at risk of anaphylaxis. The board discussed Policy FFAF (Local) as a 1st Reading.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Spring 2012 Preliminary TAKS-STAAR-EOC Results

Sally Heaton presented preliminary test results with TAKS (10th and Exit Level) and STAAR EOC assessment data to the board.

Regulation FP-R – Cafeteria Charges

The board received information on this regulation which addresses and limits student meal charges.

2012-2013 Federal Program Planning Amounts

A report was presented by Kelly Legg showing details of each of the Federal programs that the district will apply for as well as a comparison chart showing the difference in last year's planning amounts compared to the projected 2012-2013 amounts.

Reading Recovery Annual Report

Frances Whitson reviewed successes of the Reading Recovery Program in the district over the last 20 years.

Reading Recovery is a short-term literacy intervention designed for first graders having difficulty learning to read and write. The Dumas ISD Reading Recovery Site serves six districts with 24 Reading Recovery teachers and 2 teacher-leaders. These districts include Dumas, Borger, Pampa, Spearman, Friona and Gruver.

In DISD, 40 teachers have been trained and 2 teachers will be in training for the 2012-2013 school year. One teacher-leader, Tammy Robinson, was trained in 2011-2012. We have served a total of 2,048 DISD children. The entire Dumas ISD Reading Recovery Site has trained 101 teachers and served 5,203 Reading Recovery students, thus several activities were held this year to celebrate the teaching of our 5,000th child!

Enrollment Report

Enrollment figures for the final week of school was 4,499 as opposed to 4,520 the prior week and 4,493 at the end of the 2010-2011 school year.

Check Register as of May 2012

The check register for May 2012 was reviewed.

Financial Report as of May 2012

A summary of the full financial report for all funds for the period from July 1, 2011 through May 31, 2012 was presented.

Construction Update

A construction update on current projects throughout the district was discussed with the board.

There will not be a second school board meeting in the month of June. The next one is set to be scheduled in July.