MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting, May 21, 2018

The Board of Trustees of the Deer Park Independent School District met in a
Regular Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on May 21, 2018, in the Board Room of the
Education Support Center, 2800 Texas Avenue, Deer Park.

Board Members Present: Jason Cable, Brenda Cothran, Lynn Kirkpatrick, Lee
Giddens, Rhonda Lowe, Ken Donnell, and Jason Morris.

Central Office Staff Present: Victor White, Peaches McCroskey, Stephen Harrell,
Ronda Kouba, Matt Lucas, Joe Perez, Sheri Vaughn, Janet Byers and others who
did not sign the register.

Others Present: Brett Day, Steve Corry, Clyde Skarke, Leslie Cruz and others
who did not sign the register.

President Donnell called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Opening exercises were led by students from the Early Childhood Center. The
invocation was led by Joshua White. The pledge to the American and Texas
Flags were led by Violeta Prado and Talia Williber. The Early Childhood Center
Cub Pledge was led by Avery Coronado.

Director of Communications Matt Lucas introduced special guests including:
Scholastic Award Winners, DPHS Varsity Softball Team, Ruth Steinfield,
Holocaust Survivor, DPHS Varsity Baseball Team, Rubik’s Cube Team, TCEA
Robotics Winners, UIL Academic Competition Winners, DPHS Girls Track
Team, DPHS Girls Varsity Soccer Team, Career and Technology Education
Winners, DECA Marketing and Business Winners, FCCLA Winners, FFA
Winners, Skills USA – Law Enforcement Winners, and Clyde Skarke, Leslie
Cruz and Vanessa Gonzales accepted on behalf of DPHS Wolters Campus, the
Get Schooled 2017-18 Grant.

President Donnell opened the floor for audience participation. The Board heard
from the following patrons: Morgan Rogers and Robert Jeter III.

Trustee Giddens moved, seconded by Trustee Lowe, that the Board of Trustees
approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of April 9, 2018, and the Regular
Meeting of April 16, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports given include: Enrollment, Financial Statements, Quarterly Investment
Reports, and Calendar of Events.
Trustee Giddens moved, seconded by Trustee Lowe, that the Board of Trustees adopt the proposed calendar of meetings for the Board of Trustees for the 2018-2019 school year as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Kirkpatrick moved, seconded by Trustee Cothran, that the Board of Trustees approve the addendum to the 2018-2019 Program of Studies regarding additional classes and dual credit courses, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Lowe moved, seconded by Trustee Morris, that the Board of Trustees approve the increase of student meal prices for the 2018-2019 school year, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Lowe moved, seconded by Trustee Kirkpatrick, that the Board of Trustees approve Budget Amendment #8 for 2017-2018 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Giddens moved, seconded by Trustee Lowe, that the Board of Trustees approve increasing the monthly employer contribution for health insurance to $260 per month beginning September 1, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Lowe moved, seconded by Trustee Morris, that the Board of Trustees authorize Deer Park ISD to join and participate in the (Region 6 Education Center) EPIC6 Purchasing Cooperative. The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Giddens moved, seconded by Trustee Kirkpatrick, that the Board of Trustees approve the prevailing wage rate schedule for Harris County to be applied as specified in Government Code 2258.022 for the 2017 Bond Construction Project as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Lowe moved, seconded by Trustee Morris, that the Board of Trustees adopt the Student Handbooks for the 2018-2019 school year as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Kirkpatrick moved, seconded by Trustee Cothran, that the Board of Trustees adopt the Student Code of Conduct for the 2018-2019 school year as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Giddens moved, seconded by Trustee Lowe, that the Board of Trustees adopt the Athletic Handbook and Code of Conduct for the 2018-2019 school year as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
Trustee Cothran moved, seconded by Trustee Kirkpatrick, that the Board of Trustees adopt the Fine Arts Handbook and Code of Conduct for the 2018-2019 school year as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 122
Adopt Fine Arts Handbook and Code of Conduct

Trustee Lowe moved, seconded by Trustee Giddens, that the Board of Trustees approve the 2018-2019 Highpoint Annual Contract with the Harris County Department of Education as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 123
Approve High Point Contracts

Trustee Giddens moved, seconded by Trustee Morris, that the Board of Trustees approve a 2.75% of midpoint salary increase for all teachers. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 124
Approve 2.75% Salary Increase for Teachers

Trustee Lowe moved, seconded by Trustee Giddens, that the Board of Trustees approve a 2.75% of midpoint salary increase for all administrators and non-instructional support personnel. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 125
Approve 2.75% Increase for Administrators and Non-Instructional Support Personnel

Trustee Kirkpatrick moved, seconded by Trustee Lowe, that the Board of Trustees approve a 2.75% of midpoint salary increase for all non-certified employees. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 126
Approve 2.75% Salary Increase for all Non-Certified Employees

Trustee Giddens moved, seconded by Trustee Lowe, that the Board of Trustees approve a 2.75% of midpoint increase for all employees who receive compensation on the extracurricular pay schedule and the Career and Technology Education stipend pay schedule. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 127
Approve 2.75% Increase – Extra Curricular and CTE Stipend Schedule

Trustee Lowe moved, seconded by Trustee Cothran, that the Board of Trustees approve a starting salary of $53,500.00 for a Bachelor’s degree and 0 years of experience. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 128
Approve Salary for Beginning Teachers

Trustee Lowe moved, seconded by Trustee Giddens, that the Board of Trustees approve the recommendation to keep any additional stipends at their current levels. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 129
Approve Recommendations Regarding Stipends

Trustee Lowe moved, seconded by Trustee Cothran, that the Board of Trustees approve purchases from cooperatives and sole source vendors in excess of $50,000 for 2017-2018, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 130
Approve Purchases from Vendors and Cooperatives
Judge Mark Ellis gave the oath of office to incumbent Trustees Rhonda Lowe, Lee Giddens and Jason Cable.

President Donnell called for a closed meeting following the Texas Government Code Section 551.074.

Open meeting resumed at 7:57 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

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Approved at the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees on June 18, 2018.

Ken Donnell
President, Board of Trustees

Rhonda Lowe
Secretary, Board of Trustees

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