The Board of Trustees of the Deer Park Independent School District met in a Combined Workshop and Regular Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on March 18, 2013 in the Board Room of the Education Support Center, 2800 Texas Avenue, Deer Park.


Central Office Staff Present: Superintendent Arnold Adair, Don Dean, Peaches McCroskey, Victor White, David Webb, Matt Lucas, Sheri Vaughn, Kari Murphy, Sam Sessions, Shelly Childers, Pam McClean, Stacey McDowell, David Berrier, Cindy Hart, and others who did not sign the register.

Others Present: Ana Mercado, Kristina Lewis, George Watanabe, Debbie Yampey, Officer Pocs, Tiffany Regan, Kathy Manzano, Bobby Vasquez, Steve Corry, Jill Marsh, and others who did not sign the register.

President Kirkpatrick called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Opening exercises were led by students from Parkwood Elementary. Alexa and Alexander Yanez gave the invocation. Kamron Cummings and Danna Garcia led the pledge to the Texas Flag. Julia Jackson and Domuhnic Phillips led the pledge to the US Flag.

Director of Communications Matt Lucas introduced Special Guests: Scholastic Award Winners: Chris Arredondo, Adrian Romero, Savannah Zak, Sidney Wright, Reagan Baughman, Calub Brown, Chloe Bryant, Brody Jenkins, Kayleigh Thomas, Monika Zapata, Christine Harris, Kyle Lottinville, Thanh Nguyen, Haley Poche, Allision Gruetzner, Jake Moody, Leila Whatley, and Kandyce Henson.

President Kirkpatrick opened the floor for audience participation. No one signed the register to speak.

Trustee Giddens moved, seconded by Trustee Lowe, to approve the minutes of the Academic Excellence Indicator System Hearing of February 18, 2013, the Combined Workshop and Regular Meeting of February 18, 2013, and the Special Meeting of February 25, 2013. The motion carried unanimously.

Monthly reports given include: Enrollment, Financial Statements, and Calendar of Events.
Workshop Discussion: Report on Summer School Offerings, Tax Exempt Coalition Renewal, Coalition to Change Special Education Evaluation Timelines, Voluntary Benefits Selection, Budget Amendment #5, Order of Cancellation of Trustee Election, Campus Door Security Upgrades, and Construction Reports. The report regarding the First Draft of the 2013-2014 Budget was postponed until the April 2013 workshop.

Trustee Mills moved, seconded by Trustee Lowe, that the Board of Trustees approve renewal of membership in the Tax Exemption Coalition for 2013 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 66  Approve Membership in the Tax Exemption Coalition

Trustee Giddens moved, seconded by Trustee Taylor, that the Board of Trustees approve the district joining the Coalition to Change Special Education Evaluation Timelines as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 67  Approve Joining Coalition to Change Special Education Evaluation Timelines

Trustee Lowe moved, seconded by Trustee Thomas, that the Board of Trustees approve employee voluntary vision insurance coverage with VSP for the plan year beginning September 1, 2013, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 68  Approve Voluntary Vision Insurance

Trustee Thomas moved, seconded by Trustee Mills, that the Board of Trustees approve employee voluntary dental, basic life, basic AD&D, supplemental Life and AD&D, STD and LTD coverage with MetLife for the plan year beginning September 1, 2013, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 69  Approve Voluntary Benefits Selection

Trustee Giddens moved, seconded by Trustee Thomas, that the Board of Trustees approve budget amendment #5 for 2012-2013 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 70  Approve Budget Amendment #5

Trustee Lowe moved, seconded by Trustee Taylor, that the Board of Trustees adopt the Order of Cancellation for the May 11th, 2013 Trustee Election. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 71  Adopt Order Cancelling Election

Trustee Thomas moved, seconded by Trustee Mills, that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase and installation of security upgrades at Deer Park ISD campuses from Commercial Door Services not to exceed $300,000 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 72  Approve Security Upgrades at Campuses

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

Closed Meeting 7:28 p.m.

Open meeting resumed at 8:14 p.m.

Open Meeting Resumed
Trustee Mills moved, seconded by Trustee Lowe, that the Board of Trustees approve the employment of one person as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 73
Personnel - Employment

Trustee Lowe moved, seconded by Trustee Taylor, that the Board of Trustees approve a temporary disability leave of absence for one employee as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 74
Personnel – Disability Leave of Absent

Trustee Taylor moved, seconded by Trustee Lowe, that no subsequent contract be offered to six persons who are serving under a term contract as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 75
Personnel - No Subsequent Contract

Trustee Giddens moved, seconded by Trustee Lowe, that no action be taken on term contracts for 19 persons giving them each at least a one-year contract as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 76
Personnel – No Action on Term Contracts

Trustee Giddens moved, seconded by Trustee Lowe, that the Board of Trustees approve the renewal of term contracts for 740 persons for the number of years indicated as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 77
Personnel – Renewal of Contracts

Trustee Lowe moved, seconded by Trustee Giddens, that the Board of Trustees appoint Paul Moore to the position of junior high principal. The motion carried unanimously.

No. 78
Appoint Paul Moore to the Position of Junior High Principal

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned

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Approved at the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees on April 15, 2013.

Lynn Kirkpatrick
President, Board of Trustees

Rhonda Lowe
Secretary, Board of Trustees

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