

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MARCH 20, 2007

The Plano Board of Trustees met Tuesday, March 20, 2007, with the following members present: Duncan Webb, presiding; Melody Timinsky; John Muns; Mary Beth King; Lloyd Jenkins; Missy Bender; Brad Shanklin; and Superintendent Doug Otto.

President Webb called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m. in the hallway outside the Board Library Room, second floor of the Administration Building, 2700 West 15th Street, Plano, and stated that the meeting has been duly called and notices posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551. Mr. Webb announced that the Board will convene in a closed session to consider 1) the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; 2) Personnel: Resignations, employment, evaluation, appointment, assignment, termination, non-renewal, additions and extension and/or renewal of contracts of individual teachers, individual administrators, superintendent, and individual support staff; 3) Private consultation with attorney regarding contemplated litigation; or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551; 4) To discuss purchase, exchange, lease, sale, or value of real property; and 5) School children; School district employees; disciplinary matter or complaint. The closed session was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

The regular meeting reconvened at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room on the first floor, administration building, Plano, Texas, with all previously named Board members present.

President Webb expressed appreciation to the Fine Arts Department for serving as greeters and acknowledged the student duet for their performance in the foyer prior to the meeting.

President Webb introduced Jill Burt of the Autism Society of Collin County who shared words of appreciation on behalf of members of the organization.

AUTISM SOCIETY
PRESENTATION

Kathy Kuddes, director of fine arts, recognized Larry Tucker for being named Outstanding Administrator of the Year at the Texas Music Administrators Conference. Trustee Missy Bender, one of Mr. Tucker's former students, presented a plaque to him.

LARRY
TUCKER

Ms. Kuddes then presented information related to this year's student and staff accomplishments in the fine arts programs.

FINE ARTS

President Webb announced that consent agenda item VI-C(7) was being pulled since it is included in item VI-C(8).

Melody Timinsky made the motion that the Board approve the remainder of the consent agenda as follows:

- a) Personnel recommendations, including extension and/or renewal of contracts of individual teachers, principals, directors, and support staff, as recommended by Deputy Superintendent Danny Modisette as attached and as filed in the Superintendent's Office with the March 20, 2007 binder marked "record copy";
- b) Minutes of February 6, February 12, and February 20, 2007;
- c) Bids as recommended by Associate Superintendent for Business Services Richard Matkin as follows:
 - 1) #2007-001, Recycle dumpsters, awarded to May Fab/Wastequip for an approximate value of \$50,000;
 - 2) #2007-004, Awards, trophies, plaques and related items, awarded to various vendors for an estimated value of \$100,000 as filed in the Superintendent's Office with the March 20, 2007 agenda packet marked "record copy";
 - 3) #2007-005, New Meadows Elementary School contract for construction manager at risk awarded to Cadence McShane;
 - 4) #2007-015, Drill team supplies, awarded to various vendors for an estimated value of \$35,000 as filed in the Superintendent's Office with the March 20, 2007 agenda packet marked "record copy";
 - 5) #2007-016, Armstrong Middle School and Clark Stadium paving improvements, awarded to Miller-Sierra Contractors for an estimated value of \$489,000;
 - 6) #2007-017, Cheerleading supplies and equipment, awarded to various vendors for an estimated value of \$25,000 as filed in the Superintendent's Office with the March 20, 2007 agenda packet marked "record copy";
 - 8) Various cooperative and sole source purchases awarded as filed in the Superintendent's Office with the March 20, 2007 agenda packet marked "record copy";
- d) Property tax refunds in the amount of \$143,825.70 as submitted by the Collin County Tax Office and recommended by Mr. Matkin;
- e) Disposal of surplus property as recommended by Mr. Matkin and as filed in the Superintendent's Office with the March 20, 2007 agenda packet marked "record copy";
- f) Budget amendments for March 20, 2007, as recommended by Mr. Matkin and as attached;
- g) Historic tax abatements for 2007, as submitted by the City of Plano and recommended by Mr. Matkin as filed in the Superintendent's Office with the March 20, 2007 agenda packet marked "record copy";
- h) AVID implementation agreement approved for \$25,245 as filed in the Superintendent's Office with the March 20, 2007 agenda packet marked "record copy";;
- i) School professional legal liability awarded to Independent Insurance Group through Ace American Insurance Company effective 4/1/07 for a 15-month term for \$271,085;
- j) Renewal of employee benefits consultant agreement with Wachovia Insurance Services for \$125,000;
- k) Marketing services/commissions agreement between PISD and Daktronics as recommended by Mr. Modisette and as filed in the Superintendent's Office with the March 20, 2007 agenda packet marked "record copy";

APPROVE
CONSENT
AGENDA

- l) Second amendment to electric energy sales agreement with Texas General Land Office, as recommended by Mr. Matkin;
- m) Selection of SHW Group as architects for Christie and Guinn Center re-roof and WRA Architects for Service Center re-roof, all using competitive sealed proposal, as recommended by Mr. Matkin

Brad Shanklin seconded the motion which carried.

Jim Hirsch, associate superintendent for technology and academic services, presented the DBIC's response to the district advisory committee recommendations that were presented to the Board in the fall of 2006. These will also be shared with each individual advisory committee following the board meeting.

DBIC RESPONSE
TO ADVISORY
COMMITTEES

Mr. Hirsch provided the background on the district professional learning council and its work during this school year. Mark Wellborn, gifted and talented coordinator, reviewed the professional learning vision and belief statements developed to serve as a framework for future professional learning activities in Plano ISD and stated that focus groups of principals and teachers have reviewed and provided input into these statements.

PROFESSIONAL
LEARNING
VISION AND
BELIEF
STATEMENTS

Deputy Superintendent Danny Modisette introduced the historical background of one of the district's college readiness initiatives and asked Mark Allen, director of student services, to present an update on the AVID Program. The presentation included a video highlighting the program with comments from students, staff and parents involved in the program. Two students also shared their thoughts on the benefits of the program.

AVID PROGRAM

Dr. Otto provided an update on various bills being considered during this legislative session on topics such as virtual schools, vouchers, uniform GPA, end-of-course exams, K-8 requirements for physical education, and electric service discounts. Board members and staff continue to dialogue with legislators and provide input on the ramifications of these bills. Dr. Otto thanked our legislators for being receptive to our input.

LEGISLATIVE
REPORT

Associate Superintendent for Business Services Richard Matkin presented a brief report on the 2007-08 budget highlighting the district's local, state and federal revenue estimates and recapture.

2007-08 BUDGET
REPORT

Brad Shanklin made the motion that the Board approve Policy BDAA (Local) Duties and Requirements of Board Officers under 2nd reading as attached. Mary Beth King seconded the motion which carried.

POLICY BDAA(L) –
2nd reading

Lloyd Jenkins made the motion that the Board approve Policy FDB (Local) Intradistrict Transfers under 2nd reading as attached. Mary Beth King seconded the motion which carried.

POLICY FDB(L) –
2nd reading

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Duncan Webb, President

Lloyd Jenkins, Secretary

