

MINUTES
DAINGERFIELD-LONE STAR ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
December 18, 2017

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:03 P.M.

PRESIDING: Neil Roney

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Neil Roney

Bob Scaff

Jerry Stoermer

Marie Skipper

Mike Cox

Miguel Larsen

SCHOOL PERSONNEL:

Sandra Quarles, Superintendent; Ryan Carroll, High School Principal; Sharmeca Harris, Assistant High School Principal; Amy Billingslea, Junior High School Principal; Daniel Pritchett, South Elementary Principal; Lesia Lewis, West Elementary Principal; Vicki Lilley, Special Education Director; David O'Dell, Business Manager; and Rona Ellwell, Administrative Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION: Ryan Carroll

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

STUDENTS RECOGNIZED

Elementary and Junior High School principals and individual coaches proudly introduced students who competed in recent University Interscholastic League events. Students, parents, and sponsors were congratulated by school board members for their hard work and dedication to performing well in the competitions.

2016-2017 AUDIT REPORT

Chris Arnold of Arnold, Walker, and Arnold Company, P.C. reported on their recent financial audit of the 2016-2017 school year. Mr. Arnold reported that all was found to be in good order.

2016-2017 FINANCIAL AUDIT APPROVED

Jerry Stoermer made a motion to approve the 2016-2017 financial audit as presented by Chris Arnold of Arnold, Walker, and Arnold Company, P.C. Marie Skipper seconded the motion with board members Neil Roney, Jerry Stoermer, Marie Skipper, Bob Scaff, Miguel Larsen, and Mike Cox voting their approval.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED ACCEPTING DONATION OF REAL PROPERTY

Following a discussion with executives of Texas Heritage National Bank, John Bryan, Dwight Bell, and Brenda Howard, board member Jerry Stoermer made a motion to adopt a Resolution Accepting Donation for Real Property. Upon formal adoption of the resolution, donation of the property adjacent to South Elementary School by Texas Heritage National Bank would be finalized. Mike Cox seconded the motion with board members Neil Roney, Jerry Stoermer, Marie Skipper, Miguel Larsen, Bob Scaff, and Mike Cox voting their approval.

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DONATION OF REAL PROPERTY

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Education Code section 11.151, the Board of Trustees of the Daingerfield-Lone Star Independent School District ("District") is authorized to acquire and hold real and personal property and to receive bequests and donations; and,

WHEREAS, Texas Heritage National Bank ("Donor") has determined that it desires to donate the property more particularly described on Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes (the "Property"), to the District; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Daingerfield-Lone Star Independent School District certifies that its acceptance of the Property will further the District's abilities to meet the needs of the students residing in the District; and,

WHEREAS, the Gift Deed ("Deed") donating the Property to the District has been submitted to the Board of Trustees of the District for its review and consideration; and,

WHEREAS, the Donor represents and warrants that it has unrestricted fee ownership and use of the Property and that by signing the Deed it is forever relinquishing and transferring all rights and interest in and to the Property to the District; and,

WHEREAS, the District has not offered any benefit to the Donor for the donation of the Property.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE DAINGERFIELD-LONE STAR INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT:

SECTION 1. The facts and recitations contained in the preamble of this Resolution are hereby found and declared to be true and correct.

SECTION 2. The District determines that acceptance of the donation will provide a public benefit and an educational benefit to the District, and determines that such acceptance does not influence or appear to influence the District in the performance of its duties.

SECTION 3. The Board hereby accepts and receives the donation of the Property described on Exhibit "A" from the Donor.

SECTION 4. The District approves the form and content of the Gift Deed as presented to the Board of Trustees and attached hereto.

SECTION 5. The Board hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Trustees of the Daingerfield-Lone Star Independent School District to execute any and all other documents necessary to accept and consummate the donation of the Property on behalf of and in the name of the Board and the District.

SECTION 6. The District neither approves nor is responsible for any representations made by the Donor for tax purposes.

SECTION 7. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED and ADOPTED THIS 18th day of December, 2017, by the Board of Trustees of the Daingerfield-Lone Star Independent School District by the following vote:

AYES: 6

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 1

ABSTAIN: 0

Signed: Neil Roney, President, Board of Trustees

Attest: Marie Skipper, Secretary, Board of Trustees

Exhibit "A"

All that certain tract or parcel of land located in the City of Daingerfield, being a part of the JOHN KING SURVEY, A-167, Morris County, Texas. Said tract being the same tract conveyed to O. F. Tallant by Mr. O. M. Fuquay in Vol. 63, page 131, Deed Records, Morris County, Texas, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at an "X" cut in concrete at the most Westerly Northwest corner of a 5.56 acre tract conveyed to the Daingerfield Independent School District by Jocie C. Fuquay in Vol. 65, page 28, Deed Records, Morris County, Texas, and in the East line of U. S. Highway No. 259;

THENCE N. 12 deg. 56 min. W. with the East line of U. S. Highway No. 259, for a distance of 75.0 feet to an iron rod set;

THENCE N. 77 deg. 04 min. E for a distance of 175.0 feet to an iron rod set in a West line of the abovementioned school tract;

THENCE S. 12 deg. 55 min. 59 sec. E. with said line for a distance of 75.41 feet to an iron rod set at an ell corner of the abovementioned school tract;

THENCE S. 77 deg. 12 min. W. with the most Southerly North line of said school tract for a distance of 175.0 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.30 acres of land, more or less.

PUBLIC HEARING - FINANCIAL INTEGRITY RATING SYSTEM OF TEXAS (FIRST) REPORT

In a Public Hearing, Business Manager David O'Dell presented the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) Report. The report explains the district's performance under 15 indicators, as well as the district's resulting rating. For the 2015-2016 school year and the budgetary and actual financial data for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2016, Daingerfield-Lone Star ISD received a "Superior" rating, with a score of 100 out of 100 possible points.

CONSENT ITEMS APPROVED

Jerry Stoermer made a motion to approve minutes of the regular meeting on November 13, 2017. Following a second by Bob Scaff, the following board members voted their approval: Neil Roney, Bob Scaff, Jerry Stoermer, Marie Skipper, Miguel Larsen, and Mike Cox.

Jerry Stoermer made a motion to approve disbursements over \$10,000. Marie Skipper seconded the motion with board members Neil Roney, Jerry Stoermer, Marie Skipper, Bob Scaff, Mike Cox, and Miguel Larsen voting in agreement. The approved disbursements greater than \$10,000 are as follows:

- a. Morris County Appraisal District, Quarterly Assessment, January 2018 - \$50,282.65
- b. Longview School District, Regional Day School Services for Hearing Impaired - \$29,565.00
- c. Arnold, Walker, Arnold and Company, P. C., 2016-2017 Financial Audit Services - \$25,700.00

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Superintendent Sandra Quarles read thank you cards for expressions of sympathy from Mark Young and Pat and Martha Campbell in the loss of their family members. She reviewed dates of interest within the district and directed attention to the new 2018-2019 Morris County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

Business Manager David O'Dell reviewed the November, 2017 financial reports.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Neil Roney reported hours of required continuing education accumulated by each board member from January 1, 2017 through December 18, 2017.

Neil Roney, President	5.25 hours
Jerry Stoermer, Vice President	19.00 hours
Marie Skipper, Secretary	33.50 hours
Miguel Larsen	14.50 hours
Jim Snyder	10.00 hours
Bob Scaff	23.50 hours
Mike Cox	8.00 hours

Mr. Roney stated that board members meeting or exceeding the continuing education requirements for Tiers 1 and 3 are Neil Roney, Jerry Stoermer, Marie Skipper, Miguel Larsen, Bob Scaff, Jim Snyder, and Mike Cox. He also stated that according to our TASB policy specialist, since Mike Cox was appointed as a board member on August 21, 2017, his continuing education requirements are more flexible. He met requirements, but did not exceed them. Tier 2 (Team of 8 Training) is scheduled on Monday, February 26, 2018.

High School English teacher Halie Buckner reviewed her application for the McCarthy Dressman Education Foundation Grant.

APPROVAL OF HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM ROOF REPAIR TABLED

Following a discussion of the High School Gymnasium roof repair options, Jerry Stoermer made a motion to table approval of the roof repair until more information could be obtained. Miguel Larsen seconded the motion. Board members Neil Roney, Jerry Stoermer, Marie Skipper, Miguel Larsen, and Bob Scaff voted in agreement. Mike Cox abstained. The motion passed.

DISMISS INTO CLOSED SESSION

Time: 7:32 P.M.

1. Deliberation concerning the resignation/retirement of professional personnel - *Texas Gov't Code §551.074*
2. Deliberation concerning employment of new professional personnel - *Texas Gov't Code §551.074*
3. Consultation with Attorney - *Texas Gov't Code §551.071*
4. Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of individual public officer or employee - *Texas Gov't Code §551.074*

OPEN MEETING RECONVENED

Time: 7:43 P.M.

Neil Roney stated that during executive session, board members discussed personnel and that no action was needed.

FUTURE TOPICS

Superintendent Quarles reminded board members that the January board meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 and that a dinner honoring board members and their spouses will be held just prior to the meeting at South Elementary Cafeteria. She also reminded them of the February 26, 2018 Team of 8 training. Bob Scaff thanked and congratulated all campuses for their participation in the Daingerfield Christmas Parade.

ADJOURNMENT

Time: 7:47 P.M.

Marie Skipper made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jerry Stoermer seconded the motion, with board members present voting in agreement.

President

Secretary

Date January 22, 2018