

**OFFICIAL MINUTES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
NORTHWEST INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
April 25, 2022  
REGULAR MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 P.M. by President Anne Davis Simpson in the Northwest ISD Board Room, 2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76177.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.0821, 551.071, 551.072, and 551.074, the Board convened into Executive Session in the Northwest ISD Executive Board Room, 2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76177. Executive session recessed at 6:30 P.M.

**OPEN SESSION**

The regular meeting resumed at 6:30 P.M. in the Northwest ISD Board Room, 2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76177. Dr. Warren gave the invocation followed by the pledge to the American Flag and the pledge to the Texas Flag. The pledges were led by students from Sendera Ranch Elementary.

**REGULAR MEETING MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ms. Copp, Dr. Simpson, Dr. Rauch, Mr. Sprowls, Mr. Schluter, Ms. Murphy, and Ms. Hatfield

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Dr. Warren, Mr. McClure, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Tosie, Ms. Carlisle, and Ms. Scott

**RECOGNITIONS**

Anthony Tosie recognized members from Haslet Elementary school and district support staff for supporting a student in need. Hailee Fojtasek recognized Pogue Construction, Northstar Builders and TexOp for sponsoring the Northwest ISD Education Foundation Gala. Wilma Adams was recognized for earning the Going the Extra Mile (GEM) Award.

**REPORT AND ACTION ITEMS:**

**NO. 8256 LEVEL III APPEAL DECISION (EH):** It was moved by Dr. Rauch and seconded by Ms. Hatfield to deny the relief requested in the Level III Appeal of E.H. and uphold the Level II decision. Motion carried 5-0 with Mrs. Copp and Mr. Sprowls abstaining.

**NO. 8257 LEVEL III APPEAL DECISION (SG 1):** It was moved by Ms. Copp and seconded by Ms. Murphy to deny the relief requested in the Level III Appeal of S.G. and uphold the Level II decision. Motion carried 6-0 with Mr. Sprowls abstaining.

**NO. 8258 LEVEL III APPEAL DECISION (SG 2):** It was moved by Ms. Murphy and seconded by Ms. Copp to deny the relief requested in the Level III Appeal of S.G. and uphold the Level II decision. Motion carried 6-0 with Mr. Sprowls abstaining.

**NO. 8259 CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO NAME LONE FINALIST AS SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT:** It was moved by Ms. Copp and seconded by Dr. Rauch to name Dr. David Hicks as Northwest ISD Superintendent of Schools and enter into an employment contract. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

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### **OPEN SESSION**

The regular meeting resumed at 8:05 P.M. in the Northwest ISD Board Room, 2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76177.

**NO. 8260 APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:** It was moved by Mr. Schluter and seconded by Dr. Rauch to approve the consent agenda as submitted:

- A. Drainage facility vacation- Hatfield Elementary replacement site.
- B. Ratify joint election agreement and contract for election services between Denton County and Northwest ISD.
- C. 2022-2023 Region XI contract for administrative and business services, comprehensive services, instructional services and technology.
- D. Memorandum of Understanding with Lamar University for diagnostician practicum.
- E. Memorandum of Understanding with Stephen F. Austin State University for diagnostician practicum.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

**NO. 8261 PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS, INCLUDING REORGANIZING AND ASSIGNING ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES AND TITLES, EXTENSION, HIRING, AND/OR RENEWAL/NON-RENEWAL OF CONTRACTS OF INDIVIDUAL TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, PRINCIPALS, SUPPORT STAFF, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS, RESIGNATIONS, AND TEACHER CONTRACTS:** It was moved by Dr. Rauch and seconded by Ms. Hatfield to approve the personnel recommendations and teacher contracts for 2022-2023 as recommended by the administration.

Motion carried 5-0 with Ms. Copp and Mr. Sprowls abstaining.

**NO. 8262 NAMING OF TRUETT WILSON MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL:** It was moved by Mr. Sprowls and seconded by Ms. Copp to name Dr. Laura Koehler as principal of Truett Wilson Middle School as recommended by the administration.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

**NO. 8263 2022-2023 CLASS SIZE RATIOS:** It was moved by Mr. Schluter and seconded by Ms. Hatfield to approve class-size ratios for the 2022-2023 school year as follows: kindergarten 22:1, first through fourth grade 24:1, and fifth grade 25:1.

Motion carried 4-3 with Dr. Simpson, Dr. Rauch and Ms. Copp voting against.

**NO. 8264 LEASE OF PORTABLE BUILDINGS:** It was moved by Mr. Sprowls and seconded by Ms. Hatfield to approve the lease of 11 portable buildings through William Scottsman (WillScot) through OMNIA Partners Purchasing Cooperative and authorizing the Superintendent of his designee to enter into contracts.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Dr. Warren and Kim Barker presented the 2022-2023 program staffing request for discussion.

**NO. 8265 ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UNLIMITED TAX SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS; APPOINTING A PRICING OFFICER THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE THE SALE OF THE BONDS; ESTABLISHING CERTAIN PARAMETERS FOR THE APPROVAL OF SUCH MATTERS; LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT:** It was moved by Ms. Hatfield and seconded by Ms. Murphy to approve the adoption of an order authorizing the issuance of unlimited tax school building bonds, establishing sale parameters, authorizing the execution of a purchase contract, approving an official statement, and enacting other provisions relating to the subject.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

**NO. 8266 PREKINDERGARTEN EXEMPTION WAIVER RENEWAL:** It was moved by Ms. Murphy and seconded by Dr. Rauch to approve the renewal of the prekindergarten exemption waiver for three additional years as recommended by the administration.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

**NO. 8267 HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS**

**ADOPTION:** It was moved by Ms. Copp and seconded by Dr. Rauch to approve the health and physical education instructional materials adoption as recommended by the administration.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Tommy Osborne and Tim McClure presented the facilities, planning, construction and growth report.

Jonathan Pastusek presented the March financial and third quarter investment report.

Jonathan Pastusek presented the 2022-2023 budget process update report.

Dr. Simpson presented the Board President's report. Dr. Simpson also reported on the board training hours for each board member as follows:

Under State Board of Education Rule, completing required continuing education each year of service is a basic obligation and expectation of any sitting board member.

There are four tiers, or categories, of board member continuing education:

Tier 1 local district orientation, basic legal orientation and legal update training;

Tier 2 team-building training with all board members and the superintendent;

Tier 3 annual continuing education; and

Tier 4 evaluating and improving student outcomes.

All Board members have completed the required Tier 1 continuing education.

The Board members have not completed the required Tier 2 team-building continuing education training, as of yet. Board members are planning to complete this training with the new superintendent.

All Board members have exceeded the required Tier 3 continuing education by the following amounts of time, beyond what was required:

Judy Copp, 17.75 additional hours

DeAnne Hatfield, 18.5 additional hours

Lillian Rauch, 30.75 additional hours

Mark Schluter, 13 additional hours

Anne Simpson, 17.75 additional hours

Steve Sprowls, 7.75 additional hours

Jennifer Murphy, 15 additional hours

All Board members have completed the required Tier 4 continuing education.

Dr. Warren presented the Superintendent's report.

**NO. 8268 ADJOURN:** It was moved by Dr. Rauch and seconded by Ms. Murphy to adjourn at 9:09 P.M.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.