

DEKALB ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING
April 20, 2020

Roll call was made with the following members present: Blake Hodges, Kelly Hopkins, Jason Wilson, Steve Starrett, and Tommy Crouch was present. Derrel Hanna and Alonzo Ganaway was absent.

Others present were Superintendent Dr. John Booth, Jennifer Matteson, and Randall Brown.

Live Stream Meeting due to COVID-19

Dr. Booth voiced the invocation.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the DeKalb ISD was called to order on the above date by President Blake Hodges in the Central Office at 7:00 p.m.

Open Forum: None

The Board was called into executive session at 7:01 p.m. in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act. Government Code Chapter 551.074 Subchapter D and E, and returned to open session at 8:05 p.m.

Motion by Jason Wilson, seconded by Tommy Crouch to request a waiver for missed school days due to the COVID-19 all voted for motion carried.

Motion by Tommy Crouch, seconded by Kelly Hopkins to request a waiver for educator's appraisal due to school closure from COVID-19, all voted for, motion carried.

Motion by Steve Starrett, seconded by Tommy Crouch to pass a board resolution to pay hourly workers premium pay (time and a half) for coming in to work during the shelter in place, and adding a line to say they must work 40 hours for shelter in place. All voted for, motion carried.

Motion by Tommy Crouch, second by Kelly Hopkins to delegate the Superintendent the authority to make decisions for the district that do not require additional funds. All voted for, motion carried.

Blake Hodges deferred to Tommy Crouch to take over the meeting.

Motion by Kelly Hopkins seconded by Steve Starrett to approve Lynn Hodges on a 10-month Term contract for the 2020-2021 school year. Blake Hodges abstained. All others voted for. Motion carried.

Motion by Kelly Hopkins, seconded by Steve Starrett to approve Donna Hutson on a 10-month term contract for the 2020-2021 school year. Blake Hodges abstained. All others voted for. Motion carried.

Motion by Jason Wilson, seconded by Kelly Hopkins to approve Jennifer Starrett on a 10-month term contract for the 2020-2021 school year. Steve Starrett abstained. All others voted for, motion carried.

Motion by Tommy Crouch, seconded by Kelly Hopkins to approve contract renewal for Shawna Wilson on a 10-month Term contract for the 2020-2021 school year. Jason Wilson abstained. All others voted for. Motion carried.

Motion by Steve Starrett seconded by Tommy Crouch to hire all other recommended contracts for Teachers, Counselor and Nurse for the 2020-2021 school year, all voted for, motion carried. See attached list.

Motion by Steve Starrett, seconded by Tommy Crouch to not extend the contract for Neilan Hensley. The vote was 5-0 to not extend. No contract given.

Motion by Tommy Crouch, seconded by Steve Starrett to approve bid for fencing for \$81,675 to Texarkana Fencing. 1 bid submitted. All voted for, motion carried.

Motion by Kelly Hopkins to approve the consent agenda from the March 23, 2020 regular meeting seconded by Tommy Crouch, all voted for, motion carried.

Dr. Booth went over the Superintendent Report:

We will have a graduation – hopefully we can have it outside at the football stadium.

Awards- No banquets – but we are going to try to do it virtually.

Possible virtual summer school session.

Possible additional days added – 5 days to calendar next year

Still serving and pick up food around 200 per day

We are now trying to push out new information/TEKS to the students now. It will be a challenge to catch everyone back up.

Federal Programs Director to share with schools, DeKalb, Malta, Hubbard, Avery and Leary.

Cyber Security Training needs to be done by June 14th

HS Gym is looking great

Track is 95% complete and will be done in a week

MS Gym and hallways are being repainted

Took down duct work in front of MS Gym

State Bank is buying a new score board for the HS Gym.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Blake Hodges, President

Kelly Hopkins, Secretary