

Denton Independent School District
2018/2023 Bond Progress Committee Minutes

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

Location: New Newton Rayzor Elementary School

- Dean Anthony
- Catherine Bell
- Becca Burris
- Happy Carrico
- Doug Chadwick
- Suzanne Danhof
- Larry Fisher
- Aimee Jones
- Kathy Lawson
- Nancy Murphy-Chadwick
- Anita Martinez-Strickland
- Susan McGuire-Cooksey
- Efren Olvera
- Anita Reeves
- Rod Reeves
- Brian Roberson
- Theresa Starrett
- Alana Presley Taylor
- Artie Williams

SD Staff Present: Crystle Abbott, Sheryl Alden, Gina Anderson, Paul Address, Sherry Arrington, Brandon Boyter, Shane Bryan, Kathleen Carmona, Colby Cervantes, Susan Cheatham, Mary Davis, Vicki Garcia, Barbara Hoyle, Christopher Ice, Sandra Nulty, Robert Pierce, Deron Robinson, Sarah Simpson, Emily Smith, Kim Stevenson, Jennifer Stewart, Scott Stoneburner, Caleb Straughan, Phil Thomas, Jeremy Thompson, Leigh Ann Weaver, Cindy Willis, Jamie Wilson, Wally Younger,

Other Attendees:

Erin Bossart – Corgan Architects
Keith Cummins – Corgan Architects
Tosin Kusa – VLK Architects
Tony Schmitz – Pfluger Architects
Jordan Dial – Joeris General Contractors
Corbin Roberts – Joeris General Contractors
Anthony Cano – BWC Contractors

Dr. Jaime Wilson, Superintendent, welcomed everyone to the new Newton Rayzor Elementary School. Just take a couple of quick announcements then we will begin. By looking at this school you can tell it is pretty far along. We are waiting for some of the technology and a few other things to finish up. There will be an update on that. Thank you all for being here.

Dr. Wilson passed the meeting over to committee co-chairs Nancy Chadwick and Dean Anthony.

Nancy Murphy-Chadwick, committee co-chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting today, and is excited to be in this new building.

The first thing that Nancy wanted to address was to approve the last meetings minutes. Susan McGuire-Cooksey motioned to approve the minutes, and Happy Carrico seconded the motion to approve the minutes. Nancy introduces the financial department to present.

Sarah Simpson, Director of Budget and Bonds, went over the financials of the remaining balances of the 2018 bond and the 2023 bond budgets that have begun with a side by side comparison. The 2018 Bond financials focus on the Calhoun Middle School budget. The 2023 Bond financials focus

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on Hill Elementary and Martinez Elementary School budgets. More details on all projects are listed on the Denton ISD website.

Vicki Garcia, Executive Director of Financial Operations, Denton ISD presented figures received in investments since we have received and sold bonds. Current amounts for Cash & Pools, Term Investments, Interest Earnings Received and Accrued Interest Earnings for the first two quarters were given. We will continue working with the construction department to follow the project cashflow timeline for project expenses. These reports will be presented quarterly.

Vicki explained that arbitrage has not been a question for investments with the interest rates being so low in the past. With interest rates becoming higher Denton ISD has specialists helping calculate spending down our money and planning towards the future.

Robert Pierce, Chief Technology Officer, updated everyone on what technology has implemented or completed on the 2018 and 2023 bond projects with timeframes of completion. The technology lifespan is about five years to run with the manufacturer's updates. The threats with cybersecurity increase after the manufacturer no longer update equipment. More details on technology projects are listed on the Denton ISD website.

Network Infrastructure

- New Construction Fiber Infrastructure
- Campus Infrastructure
- Network Switching

Systems Infrastructure

- Data Center Refresh
- Cloud-based Identity Management

Technology Services

- Chromebooks
- BMMS Café upgrade completed.
- SRO TV Refresh – In progress

Dr. Jaime Wilson, the growth update will be presented at every other meeting, but it will be sent out to the group for you to keep track of the growth within the district. Denton ISD is still the fastest growing district in North Texas and next to the top five growing districts as well. Growth updates and investment updates will alternate every other meeting.

Brandon Boyter, Executive Director of Construction & Growth, presented information regarding the renovations underway to the new Calhoun Middle School Replacement, Hill Elementary and Martinez Elementary. Brandon also gave an update on future upcoming projects that are starting construction this summer or are in the planning and design phases. Information on the projects are on the Denton ISD website to view.

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Calhoun Middle School project

Tasks completed previous 90 days:

- Ceilings, Paint and Tile installed
- Millwork, Fixtures and Flooring under construction
- Kitchen and Cafeteria complete
- HVAC and controls under construction
- New Track and Turf Field installed
- Sidewalks and Landscaping under construction

Upcoming tasks:

- Final Paint and Wall trim out
- Complete Millwork and fixtures
- Complete Marker and Tack Boards, Room Signage
- Flooring installed and resurface Wood floors
- Final Clean of Building
- Furniture assembly and install beginning in May
- Landscaping
- Network and Final Punch

Hill Elementary School project

Tasks completed previous 90 days:

- CMU walls for gym
- FRP slab on metal deck in all areas mid January
- Prefab panels completion for all areas by February.
- Installation of courtyard storefront to begin first of February.
- Metal panel system install on South, East, North & West elevation Interior framing in classrooms/admin area

Upcoming tasks:

- Overhead and In wall MEP is ongoing in all areas. In wall inspections to be completed by end of April.
- Tape, bed and paint has started
- Sheetrock has started in two areas
- Cabinets/millwork will begin in April-May.
- Temp air will be in the building mid March for climate control.
- Pre-Fab canopies will begin in April.
- Permanent power onsite in March. Permanent power in building end of May.
- Fencing, irrigation, landscaping will begin mid-end of April.

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- Playground installation will begin in April.
- Courtyard Turf/landscaping will begin end of April.

Martinez Elementary School project

Tasks completed previous 90 days:

- CMU walls for gym
- Steel structure for the main building
- Joist and decking for gym completed.
- Prefab panels installed
- Interior framing in kitchen and dining
- MEP overhead and sprinkler two areas
- Roofing has started

Upcoming tasks:

- Drop ceiling panels in admin, kitchen and grid for cloud ceilings in cafeteria
- Plumbing fixtures in admin, kitchen/dining in April-May.
- Kitchen equipment starting in May.
- Curtain walls are ongoing with glazing beginning in March.
- Courtyard turf and landscaping starting mid May.
- Door hardware install end of April in admin
- Tape/bed/paint in area admin.
- Cabinets/millwork starting in April – May.
- Flooring installation starting end of April.
- Fencing, irrigation, landscape, and other site work beginning in March.

Dr. Jaime Wilson, Reeves Elementary construction process was slowed down a bit because of Bonnie Brae and Riney Road construction. The school may still finish before the construction gets done. In hopes they will be done, but you never know what projects do and how those contracts work. Part of the slow down on that was Bonnie Brae and Riney Rd and the delay on Hill. While we may be finished with construction for Hill, the delay of the roads and the budget shortfall from the state of Texas not funding for schools is delaying the opening of Hill until 2025. How is the lack of funding from the state legislature directly affecting you now you wonder? One thing is delaying the opening of an elementary school that's needed means classes are going to be bigger at those schools for a time in 2024 to 2025. It also allows for the road and the infrastructure to get to get further along. Three schools, including the New Calhoun Middle, New Newton Rayzor and Martinez Elementaries will open this August of 2024. Two schools will open next year in August of 2025.

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Dr. Sheryl Alden, Director of Transportation, updated on the arrival of the new buses equipped with additional safety features for students while current units being equipped with safety equipment and communication upgrades. Denton ISD Transportation has partnered with Denton County and the city of Denton to receive brand new radio equipment on our new and current buses. In case of any emergencies this allows us to communicate with any campus, district, police or fire and rescue. In addition to each bus having a radio, each campus SRO will receive one as well.

Nancy Murphy-Chadwick, encourages everyone to come to the Cheek Middle School dedication on March 5th at 6:00pm. The Teresa Grant Riggs Wellness Center dedication has been moved. A new date and time has not been set, but information will be sent out once it is confirmed.

Dr. Jaime Wilson, Thank you all for being here and working through the information. Thank our team, our construction team, our partners for the work that's going on.

The next meeting will be held at the Central Services Building or the Professional Development Center (PDC) on May 15, 2024, Noon. Aimee Jones and Suzanne Danhof will be presenting before the Board of Trustees on March 26, 2024.

Meeting ended at 12:53 pm.