

**DEXTER CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
November 11, 2024**

I. Regular Session

President Kellie Cobos called the regular meeting of the Dexter Board of Education to order at 6:00 pm and determined a quorum was present.

Board members present were President Kellie Cobos, Secretary Nancy Miles and Member Linda Lopez. Superintendent Dr. Thomas Graves and Vice President Juanita Segovia were absent.

Others present were Diana Rivera, Jeannie Harris, Lorena Castro, Christina Ferguson, Debbie Dumlao, Chris Ferguson, Shelley Montgomery, Raul Salazar, Andrea McGarrah, and Peter McGarrah.

President Kellie Cobos led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Consent Agenda

- A. A motion to approve the meeting agenda was made by Linda Lopez, seconded by Nancy Miles and unanimously passed.

A motion to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2024 regular meeting was made by Nancy Miles, seconded by Linda Lopez and unanimously passed.

III. Reports

- A. Student Report – no report
- B. Board Report – Board members commended on the many accomplishments in the weeks since the flood. They are very appreciative of our community.
- C. Construction Report – Jeannie Harris reported on the first meeting with the design professional for the construction of the new elementary and middle schools.
- D. Director Reports

Debbie Dumlao reported that the PSAT and SAT test scores are beginning to arrive. She recognized Erin Loveland and the National Honor Society for organizing a Veterans Day presentation. Army veteran and DHS alumna Erica Morales Trevino spoke to the middle and high school students. The football team hosts a state playoff game November 15th, and the volleyball team will be playing at the state tournament.

Jesus Morales reported that the two route buses on order will arrive early spring. Christina Ferguson reported that 71% of middle school students qualified for the Q1 Cs or Better activity. She recognized middle school staff for their willingness to provide extra support to students. A talent show is planned for December 19. She expressed her appreciation to the middle school staff and students for their hard work in order to provide a donation center for flood victims.

Shelley Montgomery reported on recent kitchen tours and butter-making with some middle and high school students. The district Thanksgiving Lunch is scheduled November 15.

Jeannie Harris reported that the district has submitted four request for legislative funding for field house renovations, a new track, practice field irrigation systems

and dirt work and projects at the bus barn to include drilling a domestic well and building shade structures for bus parking.

IV. Public Forum

- A. Raul Salazar spoke on behalf of Matthew Mireles.
- B. Andrea McGarrah expressed her appreciation of many happenings connected to our school including the meals in the cafeteria and the ability for parents to have lunch with their children, the community donation center that is in place and the time and labor donations by students who worked this weekend to deliver building supplies to flood victims.

V. Business

- A. First reading of Policy Advisory No. 229 DO – Disposition of School Facilities to Charter Schools – May 2022
- B. First reading of Policy Advisory No. 230 GBA – Equal Employment Opportunity – May 2022
- C. First reading of Policy Advisory No. 231 GCIA – Teacher Residence Program – May 2022
- D. First Reading of Policy Advisory No. 232 GE – Retiree Return to Work – May 2022
- E. First reading of Policy Advisory No. 233 (NEW) ACB – Nondiscrimination Related
- F. First reading of Policy Advisory No. 234 (NEW) ACBB – Human Rights Act Protection for Gender or Gender Identity – August 2023
- G. First reading of Policy Advisory No. 235 (NEW) B – School Board Elections/Holiday – August 2023
- H. First reading of Policy Advisory No. 236 EF – Food Services Regulation EF-R – Food Services – August 2023
- I. First reading of Policy Advisory No. 237 JFB – Open Enrollment – August 2023
- J. There was discussion regarding the process to take to fill the vacant position on the School Board. Letters of interest will be accepted through November 18. The notice will be posted on our website, social media and marquee.
- K. No action was taken regarding out-of-state travel.

VI. Finance and Facilities

- A. A motion to approve October bills and payroll was made by Nancy Miles, seconded by Linda Lopez and unanimously approved.
- B. Business Manager Jeannie Harris presented budget adjustments that were submitted to PED.

VII. Legal Issues

No legal issues were reported

VIII. Personnel

- A. New hires were announced:
 - Steven Honts, Middle School Boys Basketball Coach
 - Ruben Ruiz, High School Baseball Coach
 - Anthony Moragne, Assistant High School Boys Basketball Coach
- B. No resignations were announced

IX. Correspondence, Future Meetings and Events

- A. No correspondence was shared
- B. Future events were announced:
 - November 11 – Veteran's Day luncheon
 - November 15 – Thanksgiving luncheon
 - November 25-29 – District closed
 - November 18 – letters of interest due for Board vacancy
 - December 9 – regular board meeting

IV. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Linda Lopez, seconded by Nancy Miles and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:41 PM.



Nancy Miles, Board Secretary



Kellie Cobos, Board President