

# Minutes of Regular Meeting September 16, 2024

## Hays CISD Board of Trustees

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These minutes are a record of the actions taken by the Hays CISD Board of Trustees in the meeting held on the above date. The complete video of the meeting is accessible at [www.hayscisd.net](http://www.hayscisd.net) for those who wish to hear the specific details of the discussions on the agenda topics presented.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Hays CISD was held on Monday, September 16, 2024 beginning at 5:30 PM in the Merideth Keller Board Room at the Hays CISD Academic Support Center, located at 21003 Interstate 35, Kyle, TX 78640.

### CALL TO ORDER: Establish a quorum

Board President Raul Vela called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. All members of the Board were present.

### CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:30 PM to deliberate regarding safety and security, including security personnel, systems, infrastructure, and/or devices, pursuant to Tx. Gov't Code Section 551.076, to deliberate regarding the Superintendent's recommendations for employment, resignations, extended leave, and other personnel matters pursuant to Tx. Gov't Code Section 551.071, and to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property pursuant to Tx. Gov't Code Section 551.072.

### RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Board Vice President Raul Vela called the Board back to order to reconvene in open session at 6:45 PM.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES AND TEXAS FLAGS

Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the US and Texas flags.

### MISSION STATEMENT

Board Vice President Byron Severance read the Hays CISD Board of Trustees Mission Statement.

### SOCIAL CONTRACT

Trustee Johnny Flores read the Hays CISD Board of Trustees Social Contract.

### SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Dr. Eric Wright addressed the Board to provide an enrollment update of 24,275, with an attendance rate of 94.8%. Dr. Wright then spoke regarding the A-F accountability rating lawsuit pending, with hopes of updating further at the September 24<sup>th</sup> meeting. There were no questions from the Board of Trustees regarding this agenda item.

### PUBLIC FORUM

There were six guests present wishing to address the Board of Trustees. Each speaker was allotted three minutes to address the Board. Maria Bowen spoke regarding "short staffing and SPED needs". Taylor Kelley spoke regarding "crisis in our self-contained special education classroom". Claudia Belcher spoke from the perspective of a "SPED Parent". Lorraine Patterson spoke regarding "crisis in SPED classrooms". Krissie Farmer spoke regarding "SPED classroom consolidation", and Tania Van Bree spoke regarding "SPED support".

### REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Esperanza Orosco, Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea, Trustee Johnny Flores and Trustee Courtney Runkle all requested information as part of this agenda item.

#### CAMPUS RECOGNITION – Carpenter Hill Elementary School (*Scheduled for September 24, 2024*)

Board President Raul Vela introduced this agenda item and noted that the presentation is scheduled for the next meeting, September 24, 2024.

#### STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT REPORT – Career and Technical Education Report

Board President Raul Vela introduced this item. In the absence of Marivel Sedillo, Deputy Superintendent / Chief Academic Officer, Derek McDaniel, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, introduced Rick Bough, Director of Career & Technical Education. Mr. Bough presented slides to the Board of Trustees. After the presentation, Mr. Bough engaged in conversation with the Board based on comments, questions, and feedback from Trustee Esperanza Orosco, Trustee Geoff Seibel, Board Vice President Byron Severance, Trustee Courtney Runkle, Trustee Johnny Flores, Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea, and Board President Raul Vela.

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF HAYS EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Board President Raul Vela introduced this agenda item. Tim Savoy, Chief Communication Officer, introduced Hays Education Foundation President Micah Petrea. Mr. Petrea introduced the Executive Director Ida Musgrove and Foundation Specialist Carmen Sifuentes. Ms. Musgrove recognized Ed Foundation Board members who were present during the meeting. Ms. Musgrove presented slides to the Board of Trustees, after which the Board posed for photos with top donators Jackson Construction (\$15k donation), Bartlett Cocke Contractors (\$20k donation), and O'Connell Robertson Architects (\$15k donation). After photos, Ms. Musgrove engaged in conversation with the Board based on comments, questions, and feedback from Trustee Johnny Flores, Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea, Trustee Courtney Runkle, Trustee Geoff Seibel, Trustee Esperanza Orosco, Board Vice President Byron Severance and Board President Raul Vela. A final note was made that the "State of the District" event, scheduled for Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> still has individual tickets available for purchase.

The Board paused for a break at 8:53 PM, returning to the dais at 9:00 PM.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Board President Raul Vela introduced the consent agenda items as a whole. Item L.1a was pulled for discussion.

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There were no questions from the Board of Trustees regarding this agenda item.

##### Procurements

Consideration and possible approval of the procurement for the Administration of PSAT & SAT Assessments – The College Board

This agenda item was pulled for discussion. Joy Philpott, Director of Advanced Academics, engaged in conversation with the Board based on questions, comments and feedback from Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea, Trustee Courtney Runkle, Trustee Johnny Flores, Trustee Geoff Seibel, Trustee Esperanza Orosco, Board Vice President Byron Severance, and Board President Raul Vela.

##### Budget Amendments

There were no questions from the Board of Trustees regarding this agenda item.

#### ACTION ITEMS

Consideration and possible adoption of the instrument to be used to evaluate the Superintendent

Board President Raul Vela introduced this agenda item. Dr. Eric Wright, Superintendent, summarized the intent of this agenda item. Mr. Vela requested that trustees submit questions and recommendations for edit utilizing the Google questions form.

Review and possible adoption of the Social Contract for the Hays CISD Board of Trustees  
Board President Raul Vela introduced this agenda item, and recommended that discussion be postponed until the September 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Consideration and possible approval to Begin the Process of Attendance Zone Mapping for the Fall 2025

Opening of Ramage Elementary School

Board President Raul Vela introduced the agenda item. Tim Savoy, Chief Communication Officer, addressed the Board to summarize the intent of this agenda item, and provide detail where necessary. Mr. Savoy responded to questions and feedback from Trustee Geoff Seibel.

#### INFORMATION ITEM

Review and Discussion of Schematic Design for 2023 Bond Bid Package 12 Projects and Middle School Renovations and Additions

Board President Raul Vela introduced this agenda item. Max Cleaver introduced Doug Dawson of O'Connell Robertson Architects who presented drawings to the Board of Trustees. Next, Max Cleaver introduced Jason Andrus of Huckabee Architects who presented drawings to the Board of Trustees. It was requested by Mr. Vela that trustees submit questions about this presentation utilizing the Board questions form.

#### CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 10:42 PM to deliberate regarding the Superintendent's recommendations for employment, resignations, extended leave, and other personnel matters pursuant to Tx. Gov't Code Section 551.071, and to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property pursuant to Tx. Gov't Code Section 551.072.

#### RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Board Vice President Raul Vela called the Board back to order to reconvene in open session at 11:08 PM.

#### RECAP OF QUESTIONS

Board Vanessa Petrea did not recap the list of Board questions.

#### ADJOURN

Board President Raul Vela announced that the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 5:30 PM. No further business was conducted, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:08 PM.

Note: The following items listed on the agenda for September 16, 2024 were not discussed at the Agenda Workshop meeting:

#### ACTION ITEMS

M.4: Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of Security Fencing and Associated Installation Services – Viking Fence

M.5: Consideration and possible grant of 1.10-Acre Public Water Line Easement at Hays High School to the City of Kyle

M.6: Consideration and possible approval of a Development Agreement with Clayton Properties and Casetta Ranch Residential Community, Inc. at Lehman High School for the Construction of a Drainage Channel

M.7: consideration and possible approval of an Interlocal Agreement for Region 10 – PACE Purchasing Cooperative

#### INFORMATION ITEMS

N.1: Update regarding Data Center Power

N.2: Update on District Safety & Security Initiatives

N.3: Update on New Dress Code Policy

N.4: Discussion of Legislative Priorities for the upcoming Legislative Session

N.6: Update on District Bond, Construction, and Renovation Projects