

Minutes of Regular Meeting

June 17, 2024

Hays CISD Board of Trustees

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 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, June 17, 2024 beginning at 5:30 PM in 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 discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property pursuant to Tx. Gov't Code Section 551.072 and to deliberate regarding safety and security, to deliberate regarding safety and security, including security personnel, systems, infrastructure, and/or devices, pursuant to Tx. Gov't Code Section 551.076.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Board Vice President Raul Vela called the Board back to order to reconvene in open session at 6:40 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.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing of the Optional Flexible School Day Program (OFSDP) at Live Oak Academy – Dr. Michael Watson, Deputy Academic Officer, addressed the Board of Trustees to summarize the intent of this program. There were no questions from the Board of Trustees regarding this agenda item.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing of the Budget for the 2024-2025 School Year will be held on Monday, June 24, 2024.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Dr. Wright reminded the Board and audience about PASA Projection information, wished fathers a belated Happy Father's Day, and announced a recent change in UIL Legislative Council to amend the playoff structure. UIL Music will now follow heat precautions with cooling zones. There were no new sports adds to UIL at this time. Dr. Wright responded to questions from Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea.

PUBLIC FORUM

There were five guests present wishing to address the Board of Trustees. Stephanie Scheffel addressed the Board regarding Music Therapy in Hays CISD. Luis Munoz addressed the Board regarding Music Therapy. Lisa Wolfe-Schacter addressed the Board regarding Music Therapy and the need for it in our schools. Tania Van Bree addressed the Board in support of Music Therapy. Elizabeth Van Bree addressed the Board in support of Music Therapy. Dr. Eric Wright, Superintendent, addressed the Board regarding revenue shortfall.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT REPORT

Kevin Malandrucolo, Director of Assessment & Accountability, presented slides to the Board of Trustees. He and Derek McDaniel, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, responded to feedback and questions from the Board of Trustees. Dr. Eric Wright also provided responses.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Procurements

Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of Learning Management System - Schoology

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

Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of Online Learning System, Edgenuity – Imagine Learning

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

Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of IEP and 504 Software – Frontline Education (Formerly SuccessEd)

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

Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of Reading Instructional and Intervention Software – Amplify Boost

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

Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of Intensified Algebra I Program – Agile Mind

Derek McDaniel, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, responded to questions from Trustee Johnny Flores regarding this agenda item.

Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of Universal Screener for Mathematics, Secondary Reading, and Science – NWEA MAP Growth

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

Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of a Universal Screener for Reading – Amplify mCLASS

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

Consideration and possible renewal of the Cooperative Agreement between Hays CISD and the Teacher Fellows Program of Texas State University

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

Budget Amendments

Chief Financial Officer Randy Rau responded to questions from Trustee Geoff Seibel.

Consideration and possible approval of the Application for Optional Flexible School Day Program at Live Oak Academy for the 2024-2025 School Year

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

ACTION ITEMS

Consideration and possible approval of the 2024-2025 Hays CISD Board Meeting Calendar
The Board discussed recommended adjustments to the proposed meeting calendar.

Consideration and possible appointment of a Texas Association of School Board Delegate and Alternate Delegate for the Annual 2024 TASA/TASB Convention

Board President Raul Vela introduced the agenda item to begin discussions. Board Vice President Byron Severance volunteered as the delegate, and Trustee Esperanza Orosco volunteered as the alternate delegate.

Consideration and possible approval of the recommendation to name a part or parts of school facilities – Academic Support Center Board Meeting Room

Board President Raul Vela introduced the agenda item. Tim Savoy, Chief Communication Officer, was unable to attend the meeting due to family emergency. Dr. Eric Wright spoke regarding the naming nomination. Trustee Esperanza Orosco, Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea, Trustee Courtney Runkle, and Board President Raul Vela all spoke in support of this agenda item.

Consideration and possible approval of the Reassignment of Construction Manager At-Risk Assignments for Major 2023 Bond Projects

Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer, addressed the Board to explain the rationale behind this agenda item. John Hearnberger of Jackson Construction was in attendance. Mr. Cleaver responded to questions from Board Vice President Byron Severance and Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea.

Consideration and possible approval of the 2023 Bond purchase of additional Access Control Systems for Districtwide Use

Board President Raul Vela introduced the agenda item. Chief Safety & Security Officer, Jeri Skrocki, provided a generalized summary of the request. Ms. Skrocki and Mark Timmons, Director of IT Safety & Security, responded to questions from Trustee Geoff Seibel.

Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of Harris Handheld Radios and Desktop Systems to replace current units

Board President Raul Vela introduced the agenda item. Chief Safety & Security Officer Jeri Skrocki responded to feedback and questions from Trustee Geoff Seibel.

Consideration and possible approval of the selection of General Legal Counsel for Hays CISD

Dr. Eric Wright, Superintendent, responded to a request from Trustee Esperanza Orosco.

Consideration and possible approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between Hays CISD and Texas State University Teacher Residency Partnership

Board President Raul Vela introduced the agenda item. Christina Courson, Chief Human Resources Officer, responded to feedback and questions from Trustee Geoff Seibel, Trustee Esperanza Orosco, Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea, Trustee Courtney Runkle and Trustee Johnny Flores.

Consideration and possible approval of a Cooperative Construction Contract for the 2023 Bond Bid Package 10 Adaptive Playgrounds

Board President Raul Vela introduced the agenda item. Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer, provided details and responded to questions from Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea, Trustee Courtney Runkle, Trustee Geoff Seibel, Trustee Esperanza Orosco, and Board President Raul Vela.

The Board paused for a short break at 8:43 PM, returning to the dais at 8:53 PM.

Consideration and possible approval of Request to Apply for TEA State Waiver: Missed School Day Waiver for Hemphill Elementary School

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

Consideration and possible approval of Third-Party Medicaid Billing Services – Texas Association of School Boards

Board President Raul Vela introduced this agenda item. Trustee Esperanza Orosco noted that she will abstain from voting on this item as she is an employee of TASB.

Consideration and possible approval of a Drainage Facility Escrow Agreement with Clayton Properties at Lehman High School

Board President Raul Vela introduced this agenda item. Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer, responded to questions from Trustee Byron Severance.

Consideration and possible approval of an Elementary School Site Donation and Development Agreement at Crosswinds Subdivision

Board President Raul Vela introduced the agenda item. Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer, responded to questions from Trustees Esperanza Orosco, Geoff Seibel and Johnny Flores.

Consideration and possible approval of a School District Land Development Standards Agreement with City of Austin

Board President Raul Vela introduced this agenda item. Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer, responded to questions from Trustees Esperanza Orosco and Max Cleaver.

Second Reading and possible adoption of revisions to Local Policy FC – School Attendance Areas

Board President Raul Vela introduced this agenda item. Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea and Trustee Esperanza Orosco spoke in support of this agenda item.

Second Reading and possible adoption of the proposed addition of Local Policy GBBA – News Media Relations

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

Second Reading and possible adoption of TASB Policy Update 123 Affecting Local Policies

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

Consideration and possible adoption of the Compensation Plan for the 2024-2025 School Year

Board President Raul Vela introduced this agenda item. Christina Courson, Chief Human Resources Officer, presented slides and addressed the Board. She responded to questions and feedback from each trustee.

Consideration and possible adoption of the General Fund, Debt Service Fund, and Food Service Fund budgets and approval of the budget for additional accelerated instruction pursuant to HB 5 requirements for the 2024-2025 School Year

Board President Raul Vela introduced this agenda item. Randy Rau, Chief Financial Officer, responded to feedback and questions from Board Vice President Byron Severance, Trustee Esperanza Orosco, Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea, Board President Raul Vela and Trustee Courtney Runkle.

INFORMATION ITEM

Update on Safety and Security Initiatives in the District

There was no new information to share with the Board regarding this agenda item. The Board did not have questions regarding this agenda item.

Presentation of the Hays CISD Survey Results

This presentation is scheduled for Monday, June 24, 2024.

Notice of Intent to Apply for Federal Grant Funds

This presentation is scheduled for Monday, June 24, 2024.

Update on Bond, Construction, and Renovation Projects

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

First Reading of TASB Policy Update 123 Affecting Local Policies

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

First Reading of Proposed Revisions to Local Policy FC – School Attendance Areas

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

First Reading of Proposed Addition of Local Policy GBBA – New Media Relations

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

Hays CISD Financial Statements

This information will be provided to the Board of Trustees at the June 24, 2024 meeting.

Quarterly Investment Report for the 4th Quarter of 2023-2024 Fiscal Year

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

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Esperanza Orosco requested that a SPED Audit review be placed on an upcoming agenda, in possibly August or September with a complete presentation of findings.

RECAP OF QUESTIONS

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

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 10:16 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.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Board Vice President Raul Vela called the Board back to order to reconvene in open session at 10:41 PM.

ADJOURN

Board President Raul Vela announced that the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 24, 2024 at 5:30 PM. No further business was conducted, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:41 PM.