Minutes of Board Workshop
The Board of Trustees
Cedar Hill ISD

A Board Workshop of the Board of Trustees of Cedar Hill ISD was held Monday, November 2, 2026, beginning at 5:30pm in the Third Floor Training Room
285 Uptown Blvd.
Cedar Hill, Texas 75104.

I. **OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER – 5:30 PM**
Announcement by the Board President whether a quorum is present, and that the notice of the meeting has been duly called, and posted in the time and manner required by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.
Meeting called to order by VP Ramona Ross-Bacon at 5:30pm – quorum established with the following trustees present: Ramona Ross-Bacon (left meeting at 6:05pm), Carma Morgan, Ayanna Cabrera-Cook, Jacquetta Haygood, Dr. Lester Singleton and Superintendent Maria Gamell. Trustee Dr. Denise Roache-Davis arrived at 5:36pm, Absent was Trustee Denishea Williams. Attorney Rhonda Crass was present.

II. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
Individuals desiring to address the Board regarding an item on an Agenda for a Special, must submit a completed Public Comment Request Form on the day of the meeting. Forms are available in the lobby area. The correct procedure for addressing the Board during Public Comments is as follows: Each speaker should address the Board from the podium microphone and state his or her name before speaking. All speakers will be limited to three minutes to make comments regarding items on the agenda, unless modified by the Board president based on Board Policy BED (LOCAL). Specific factual information or recitation of existing policy may be furnished in response to inquiries, but the Board shall not deliberate or decide regarding any subject that is not included on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting. Copies of presentations should be made available to all trustees and the Superintendent.
There were no public comments

III. **CLOSED SESSION**
The Board may declare itself in a closed meeting as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Sections 551.001-551.146. In the event a closed meeting is to be convened, the presiding officer shall publicly identify the section or sections authorizing the closed meeting. Those sections may include without limitation the following sections under SUBCHAPTERS D AND E, which authorize a closed meeting to discuss the following topics:

A. Section 551.071: For the purpose of private consultation with the Board's attorney regarding pending litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the District or Board under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.

1. Consultation with an Attorney to receive legal advice regarding TEA Appeal of Grievance
2. Provide board training on legal aspects of conducting a grievance hearing

B. Section 551.074: For the purpose of deliberating the appointment, employment, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee, unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests an open hearing.

1. Discussion of Teacher Contract Abandonment of Position without Good Cause and Proposed Complaint to the State Board for Educator Certification.

C. Section 551.0821: To discuss specific personal identifying information about a student.

Proceeded into closed session at 5:34pm

IV. DECLARE CLOSED SESSION ENDED & RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Closed session ended at 6:46pm and reconvened in open session at 6:46pm

V. ACTION ITEMS

A. Consider Action on Teacher Contract Abandonment of a Position without Good Cause and Proposed Complaint to the State Board for Educator Certification

Ayanna Cabrera-Cook made a motion to approve the Teacher Contract Abandonment of a Position without Good Cause and Proposed Complaint to the State Board for Educator Certification. Dr. Lester Singleton seconded the motion.

- ***Dr. Denise Roache-Davis voted – yes***
- ***Carma Morgan voted – yes***
- ***Dr. Jacquetta Haygood voted – yes***
- ***Ayanna Cabrera-Cook voted – yes***
- ***Dr. Lester Singleton voted - yes***
- ***The motion passed 5-0 all in favor***

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Ayanna Cabrera-Cook moved to adjournment – Dr. Lester Singleton seconded. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 6:49pm

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Dr. Denise Roache-Davis, Board of Trustees President Date

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Denishea Williams, Board of Trustees Secretary Date