

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
CLEAR CREEK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
JANUARY 27, 2025**

The Board of Trustees for the Clear Creek Independent School District met in a regular meeting in the Board Room at the Education Support Center, 2425 E. Main Street, League City, Texas 77573, on January 27, 2025.

**1. *Call to Order***

President Sanchez called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

**2. *Establishment of a Quorum***

President Sanchez established a quorum.

Trustees present: Arturo Sanchez, President  
Jonathan Cottrell, Vice President  
Jay Cunningham, Secretary  
Scott Bowen, Trustee  
Jessica Cejka, Trustee  
Jeff Larson, Trustee  
Jamieson Mackay, Trustee - ABSENT

Staff present: Karen Engle, Superintendent  
Members of the Superintendent's Cabinet

**3. *Closed Session***

President Sanchez called the meeting into closed session at 6:02 p.m.  
President Sanchez reconvened the meeting into open session at 6:48 p.m.

**4. *Pledge of Allegiance, Texas Pledge, Moment of Silence, and District Mission Statement***

A group of students from Bayside Intermediate Student Council led the Board and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Texas Pledge. Dr. Engle led the Board and the audience in a moment of silence. The students assisted Dr. Engle with the District Mission, Vision, Core Values and Value Statement.

**5. *Recognitions***

**A. *Armand Bayou Elementary School Re-certified as Leader in Me Lighthouse School***  
CCISD is pleased to announce that Armand Bayou Elementary School has successfully been recertified as a Leader in Me Lighthouse School. This prestigious recertification reflects the school's commitment to sustainable growth and continuous innovation within the Leader in Me Framework. The staff and student community at Armand Bayou Elementary is consistently demonstrating exemplary progress and

serves as a national model to follow. Dr. Engle congratulated Ms. Pawlowski, Principal, and her team.

***B. National Board Certification of Teachers***

The number one indicator of a child's academic success is the quality of the teacher in the classroom. As a District CCISD has embarked on an effort to deeply support teachers who want to become nationally certified which is the gold standard in teacher professional development. Four teachers have just done that. Dr. Engle congratulated the following teachers on their achievement.

Nakia Washington, McWhirter Elementary

Mary Purvis, Weber Elementary

Lauren Jeffrey, Mossman Elementary

Josiemar Micheli, Landolt Elementary, was not in attendance at the meeting.

Principal Deb Reno was in attendance to represent her.

Dr. Engle also shared that CCISD has 77 teachers going through the program right now under our new framework of support. Dr. Engle thanked Dr. Britani Moses and our CCISD mentors for all that they do to help CCISD retain the best teachers in the nation.

***C. School Board Recognition Month***

January is School Board Recognition Month, and CCISD is celebrating its trustees for their dedication and commitment to the district and its students. With the theme, Leadership for Tomorrow's Texas, CCISD celebrations will spotlight the essential role school board members play in guiding the future of education. Dr. Engle presented each of the Trustees a framed copy, with signature, of the 2024 Grand Champion artwork which was created by our now graduated Eliza Hoffman from Clear Springs High School. Dr. Engle thanked Ms. Stephanie Albert and Mr. Greg Goodman in our Visual and Performing Arts department for arranging this incredibly beautiful board recognition gift.

***6. District Update***

Dr. Karen Engle, Superintendent of Schools, presented the Board of Trustees with a District Update regarding the CCISD Weather Closure, FFA Show & Auction, and the HEB Education Finalist.

***7. Community Input***

The following members of the Community addressed the Board during the community input portion of the meeting:

- Ms. Cerissa Abbott (Girl Scout Troop) – Thanked the Board of Trustees and presented them with each a box of cookies. (3-minutes)
- Ms. Angela Solis (Harris County Precinct 2) – Presented Certificates to the Board of Trustees for Board Recognition Month. (3-minutes)
- Dr. Glenn Freedman – Thanked the Board of Trustees during National Board Recognition Month by reading a Resolution to the Board. (3-minutes)
- Mr. Tom Davis – Thanked parents, teachers and God. (1-minute)

**8. Action on Closed Session Items**

**A. Consider Approval of Contingent Fee Legal services Agreement with Thompson & Horton, LLP, Eiland & Bonnin, PC, and O’Hanlon, Demerath & Castillo, PC**

Trustee Bowen moved to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation and approve the Contingent Fee Legal Services Agreement with Thompson & Horton, LLP, Eiland & Bonnin, PC, and O’Hanlon, Demerath, & Castillo, PC. Members of the Board made comments about information discussed in closed session regarding protecting students from social media sites. The motion passed unanimously.

**B. Consider Adoption of Resolution Approving Contingent Fee Legal Services Contract, Including Findings Needed for Submission of Contingent Fee Legal Services Agreement and Request for Expedited Review by the Texas Attorney General**

Trustee Larson moved to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation and approve the Resolution Approving Contingent Fee Legal Services Contract, Including Findings Needed for Submission of Contingent Fee Legal Services Agreement and Request for Expedited Review by the Texas Attorney General. The motion passed unanimously.

**9. Action**

**A. Consent Agenda**

Trustee Bowen pulled item #21 and Secretary Cunningham pulled item # 11. Vice President Cottrell moved to accept the consent agenda as presented minus items #11 and #21. The motion passed unanimously.

1. Consider Approval of Board Meeting Minutes
2. Consider Approval of Monthly Human Resources Board Report
3. Consider Acceptance of Donations
4. Consider Approval of Monthly Financial Statement
5. Consider Approval of the Quarterly Investment Report
6. Consider Approval of the 2024 Tax Collection Report
7. Consider Approval of Tax Refunds Exceeding \$500
8. Consider Approval of Recommendation for 2024-2025 T-TESS Appraisers
9. Consider Approval of Contract for Election Services with Galveston County for the May 3, 2025 General Election
10. Consider Approval of Superintendent Appraisal Procedures
- ~~11. Consider Approval of Creekside Intermediate Gym Naming~~
12. Consider Approval of the HCDE 21st Century Cycle 11 Year 4 Interlocal Agreement
13. Consider Approval of Increase of Expenditures with ILA-Region 5 Vendor TK Sales, Inc.
14. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2020.515 School Visitor, Volunteer and Emergency Management Software
15. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2021.507 Environmental Preventative Maintenance
16. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2024.511 C3 Studios Live Production Support and Maintenance, AV Classroom and Special Events Onsite Support

17. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2024.810 Fleet Maintenance, Service, and Repair
18. Consider Approval of Construction Contract 2025.401 for the Bauerschlag, Gilmore and Weber Elementary Priority Repairs Project
19. Consider Approval of Construction Contract 2025.402 for the Falcon Pass, Goforth, and Robinson Elementary Schools Priority Repairs Project
20. Consider Approval of Construction Contract 2025.407 for the Technology Learning Center Roof Replacement Project
- ~~21. Consider Approval of Construction Contract 2025.411 for the Challenger Columbia Stadium Video Board Replacement Project~~

Secretary Cunningham made comments about item #11 and thanked the people that were instrumental in the renaming of the gym. Secretary Cunningham moved to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation and approve the renaming of the Creekside Intermediate gym. Motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Bowen made comments and asked questions regarding item #21 seeking clarification. Mr. Alex Aragon, Director of Facility Services, answered the questions. Trustee Bowen moved to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation and approve Construction Contract 2025.411 to Nevco Sports LLC in the amount of \$528,203.00 for the Challenger Columbia Stadium Video Board Replacement Project. Motion carried unanimously.

***B. Consider Approval of Fiscal Year 2023 – 2024 Annual Financial Report***

Ms. Alice Benzaia, Chief Financial Officer, and Greg Peterson, Partner at Weaver and Tidwell, L.L.P, presented the financial report to the Board. Members of the Board made comments and asked questions. Ms. Alice Benzaia answered the questions. Trustee Cejka moved to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation and approve the Annual Financial Report. The motion passed unanimously.

***C. Consider Approval of an Order and Resolution Calling School Board Trustees Election by Plurality Vote***

Ms. Alice Benzaia, Chief Financial Officer, presented the information to the Board. Vice President Cottrell moved to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation and approve the Order calling a School Board Election as presented. The motion passed five for and one abstention.

***C. Adjournment***

President Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

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Arturo Sanchez, Board President

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Jay Cunningham, Board Secretary

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

