PURPOSE	The Board of Trustees of the Channelview Independent School District met for a regular meeting in the CISD Education Support Center Boardroom.
MEMBERS PRESENT	Alex Ybarra, Hector Martinez, Shumona Collins (arrived at 6:48 p.m.), Lynette Breedlove
MEMBERS ABSENT	Dennis Cedillo, Steven Dennis, Ramiro Granados
STAFF PRESENT	Dr. Tory C. Hill, Dr. Michael Houston, LaKeisha LeBlanc, Robert Laird, Lila Hollin, Kim Robbins, Helen Whisenhunt, Anthony Mirales, Emily Laird, Amber Logan, Troy Michaud, Emeterio Cruz, Dr. Atina Young, Vanessa Garza, Taylor Lovinggood, Claudia Davila, Jerry Bowling, Mark Sims, Lizette Castelline, Neiman Owens, Ruben Rodriguez, Ezell Brown, Jr., LaToya Terry, Tihesha Morgan Porter, Jose Lopez, Jennifer Tunink, Nancy Kennedy, Cynthia Benitez, Tiffany Wilson, Dr. Ryan Wheeler, Celina Alanis, Damion Hopkins
GUEST PRESENT	Marilynn Williams, Sean Robinson, Mia Nelson, Yesenia Cruz, Candelario Polanco, Fatima Acosta, Samantha Lopez, Jeanah Bratton, Sandra Guzman, Sharbie Rivaz, Brendel Roches, Octavio Arrambide, Laura Arrambide, Danielle Jiminez, Joel Jiminez, Ivory Jiminez
CALL TO ORDER	Alex Ybarra, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.
PUBLIC COMMENTS	There were no public comments.
CLOSED SESSION	Adjourn to Closed Session at 6:11 p.m., as Authorized by Section §551.001 et seq. of the Government Code - A. §551.071 - Private Consultation with the Board's Attorney regarding any item on the agenda B. §551.071 – Matters on which the district's attorney's duty to the district under the Code of Professional Responsibility clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Law, including consultation with board attorney regarding legal issues related to Policies DGA and FNA. C. §551.074 - Personnel - deliberate appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public employee D. §551.076 - Deliberation regarding the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices; or a security audit
RECONVENE	The meeting returned to open session at 7:02 p.m.
INVOCATION, PRAYER & PLEDGES	Shumona Collins, led the prayer and pledges.
PUBLIC COMMENTS	There were no public comments.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT	Hector Martinez, Board Secretary**,** expressed his excitement about the meeting. He shared that at the February 4th GCAASB Meeting, Steven Dennis won a $500 prize, which he generously donated to the National Honor Society. Mr. Martinez also jokingly remarked that several board members are "competing" each month to see who can win the most scholarships at the meetings. He referenced the State of the District held on February 6th, noting that although he was unable to attend, he heard it was a tremendous success and beautifully decorated by the Communications Team. Additionally, he reported that on February 12th, Dr. Hill and several board members

attended the HAABSE Awards & Recognition Ceremony, where several district teachers and Shumona Collins were recognized. He proudly shared that Shumona Collins received Trustee of the Year.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Dr. Hill reported that although it was a short month, the district remained very busy. He shared that the annual State of the District, held at the Campbell Learning Center, was a success and well attended by students, staff, parents, and community members.

He also highlighted the district's participation in the HAABSE Awards & Recognition Ceremony, where Board Member Shumona Collins was named Board Member of the Year. Several Channelview ISD teachers were recognized, and Channelview High School student Erik Montes received a scholarship.

Dr. Hill announced the upcoming ribbon cutting for the new Channelview ISD Museum at the Campbell Learning Center and recognized Amber Logan of Hamblen Elementary and Emeterio Cruz of Channelview High School as the 2025–2026 Principals of the Year.

He concluded by sharing updates on The Voice student group, including volunteer efforts at a local food drive, an upcoming visit to the University of Houston Downtown, and participation in naming the new "Foundation of Hope" health hub.

Dr. Hill and the Board of Trustees recognized the Students of the Month, recipients of the Texas School Counselor Association CREST Counseling Award. In Steven Dennis's absence, Lynette Breedlove accepted recognition on his behalf for receiving a scholarship from the Gulf Coast Area Association of School Boards. Dr. Houston also recognized Dr. Hill for being named the 2026 TABSE Superintendent of the Year, a significant honor.

PRESENTATIONS:
CHANGE OF FISCAL YEAR FOR 2026 - 2026

Jennifer Carnathan and Taylor Lovinggood presented a proposal to change the District's fiscal year for 2026 – 2027. They reviewed Board Policy CE (Local) and TEA guidance, noting the first-year implementation would require a 10-month accounting period with adjusted reporting.

Pros included a one-time fund balance increase, earlier budget adoption, and alignment with federal grant cycles. Cons included a busier summer for the Business Office.

The proposed timeline is: February 17th – presentation; March 17th – board action on intent and policy update; April 21st – approval of March minutes; and April 30th – submission to TEA.

PRE-K EXPANSION TO INCLUDE THREE-YEAR-OLD STUDENTS

LaKeisha LeBlanc and Emily Laird presented a proposal to expand its Pre-K program for eligible three-year-olds starting in 2026–2027. The expansion aims to improve kindergarten readiness, early literacy, math skills, social-emotional development, and long-term academic persistence.

The plan includes a full-day program with 4 teachers and 4 paraprofessionals (~$400,000 annual staffing), Frog Street curriculum ($4,000–$9,000), and possible transportation for one additional bus. Cost efficiencies were identified in classroom materials and furniture. Marketing and enrollment outreach will be supported by a $15,000 GRH-funded campaign.

	Expected benefits include stronger academic outcomes, reduced future remediation costs, increased equity, and long-term district gains such as improved campus performance and family engagement.
REPORTS: BUSINESS OFFICE REPORTS	Business Office Reports are for informational purposes and do not require Board action.
DISTRICTWIDE INTRUDER DETECTION AUDIT	No report was presented.
2026 – 3745 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 8, 2026, AND JANUARY 20, 2026, SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS	Mrs. Breedlove moved to approve the minutes from the January 8 and 20, 2026, School Board meetings as presented. Mr. Cedillo seconded the motion. All Trustees were in favor and the motion carried with a 5 - 0 vote.
2026 - 3746 CONSIDER ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2026 – 2027	Mrs. Breedlove moved to approve the administrative contract recommendations for the 2026 - 2027 school year as presented. Mr. Cedillo seconded the motion. All Trustees were in favor and the motion carried with a 5 - 0 vote.
2026 - 3747 CONSIDER HB2 DISTRICT OF INNOVATION EXTENSION	Mrs. Breedlove moved to approve HB2 District of Innovation Extension. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. All Trustees were in favor and the motion carried with a 5 - 0 vote.
2026 - 3748 CONSIDER BUDGET AMENDMENT #4	Mrs. Breedlove moved to approve Budget Amendment #4 as presented. Mr. Cedillo seconded the motion. All Trustees were in favor and the motion carried with a 5 - 0 vote.
2026 - 3749 CONSIDER DONATION FROM THE CHANNELVIEW ISD EDUCATION FOUNDATION	Mrs. Collins moved to approve the donation from the Channelview ISD Education Foundation. Mr. Cedillo seconded the motion. All Trustees were in favor and the motion carried with a 5 - 0 vote.
2026 - 3750 CONSIDER MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CISD EDUCATION FOUNDATION AND CHANNELVIEW ISD FOR BUS ADVERTISEMENT PROGRAM	Mr. Cedillo moved to authorize the administration to negotiate final terms of the Memorandum of Understanding between the CISD Education Foundation and Channelview ISD for Bus Advertisement Program. Mrs. Breedlove seconded the motion. All Trustees were in favor and the motion carried with a 5 - 0 vote.
2026 - 3751 CONSIDER GENERAL GOVERNING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CISD EDUCATION FOUNDATION AND	Mrs. Breedlove moved to authorize the administration to negotiate final terms of the Memorandum of Understanding between the CISD Education Foundation and Channelview ISD. Mr. Cedillo seconded the motion. All Trustees were in favor and the motion carried with a 5 - 0 vote.

CHANNELVIEW ISD AND RELATED ACTIONS	
CONSIDER POLICY CNB (LOCAL) UPDATE	No action was taken.
2026 - 3752 CONSIDER CHANNELVIEW ISD 2026 – 2027 ACADEMIC CALENDAR	Mrs. Collins moved to approve the 2026 – 2027 academic calendar, Calendar A, as presented. Mrs. Breedlove seconded the motion. All Trustees were in favor and the motion carried with a 5 - 0 vote.
2026 - 3753 CONSIDER EXPANSION OF PRE-K TO INCLUDE THREE-YEAR-OLD STUDENTS AND RELATED ACTIONS	Mrs. Collins moved to approve the expansion of Pre-K to include three-year-old students and related actions. Mr. Cedillo seconded the motion. All Trustees were in favor and the motion carried with a 5 - 0 vote.
2026 - 3754 CONSIDER RESOLUTION REGARDING SENATE BILL 11 AND UPDATES TO BOARD POLICIES DGA AND FNA	Mrs. Breedlove moved that the Board decline to adopt the resolution under Texas Education Code §25.0823, allowing existing rights to voluntary religious expression to remain in place in accordance with law and District Policy. Mr. Martinez seconded the motion. At the time of the vote, Mr. Ybarra, Mr. Martinez, Mrs. Breedlove, Mr. Cedillo, were in favor, Ms. Collins was against, resulting in a 4 - 1 vote. After the meeting, Ms. Collins requested that her vote be recorded as in favor of the motion. The official record reflects all Trustees in favor, and the motion carried with a 5 - 0 vote.
DISCUSSION OF FUTURE MEETINGS	Dr. Hill shared these upcoming events: March 9th - 13th - Spring Break March 17th - Regular Board Meeting April 3rd - Student/Staff Holiday April 21st - Regular Board Meeting
2025 – 3755 ADJOURNMENT	Ms. Collins moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Cedillo. All Trustees were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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