

# **DRAFT**

## **Minutes of the February 26, 2024 - Regular School Board Meeting**

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on February 26, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Vonita White Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by President David Caviness.

Members present: David Caviness, President; Anthony Hill, Vice President; Nichole Bentley, Secretary; Leigh Walker; Manish Sethi; Ranna Raval and Jobby Mathew

A quorum was present.

Notice of this meeting was posted on February 15, 2024, at 3:30 p.m.

Staff present: Brad Hunt, Superintendent; Carol Snowden, Administrative Assistant; Angela Brown; Kristen Eichel; Dr. Angie Brooks; Diana Sircar; Chris Trotter; Mary Kennington; Mary Kemper; Taylor Bristow; and Naveen Bopanna.

Sherri Sides with N2 Learning, Inc. was present.

### **DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS AND UPDATES**

Superintendent Dr. Hunt shared the following district highlights:

- Black History Month
- Career and Technical Education Month
- Cynthia Arterbery and Laura Hynson recognized by the Baha'is of Coppell
- February 16 Professional Learning Conference
- Your Bond Dollars at Work
- I Heart CISD/My Home is CISD

### **AWARDS**

- Campus Teacher of the Year Recognition

Trustee Ranna Raval gave the Invocation and let the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **OPEN FORUM**

The following community members came forward to speak in person during the Open Forum portion of the agenda:

- Kevin Chaka – Elementary Zoning
- Wesley Pokluda – CHS & NTH@C Ranking Policy

A hearing for public discussion of the Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) was held by Mary Kennington, (Director of Accountability, Assessment and Multi-Tiered Systems of Support) and Mary Kemper (Executive Director for Instructional Leadership).

### **DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS - SUPERINTENDENT**

Angela Brown (Chief Communications Officer) discussed the Strategic Plan Overview with the assistance of Sherri Sides, N2 Learning Inc.

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## CONSENT

Trustee Leigh Walker requested that item 5, Class Size Waiver to TEA, be removed from the consent agenda.

Nichole Bentley made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items with item 5, Class Size Waiver to TEA be removed from the consent agenda:

1. Approve minutes of the regular Board meeting held on January 22, 2024, and Board workshop held on February 5, 2024
2. Approve Monthly Budget Amendments for February 2024
3. Approve Financial Report for January 2024
4. Approve the Resolution for Schools and Libraries Universal Services (E-Rate) for 2024-2025. This resolution authorizes filing of the Form 471 applications for Funding year 2024-2025 and the payment of the applicant's share upon approval of funding and receipt of services.
5. Approve granting a 780 square foot access easement at Austin Elementary to the City of Coppell for the benefit of the construction of First Station #5

Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Manish Sethi motioned to approve a submission of Class Size Waivers to TEA as presented. Ranna Raval seconded the motion and the motion passed 7-0.

## ACTION

A motion to approve the amendment of the Core Construction Contract to include a Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$3,528,891 for the interior refresh of Wilson Elementary and authorize Dr. Brad Hunt or his designee to sign the necessary documents was made by Anthony Hill and seconded by Nichole Bentley. The motion passed 7-0.

A motion to approve the amendment of the Core Construction AIA A133-2019 Agreement to include a Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$3,453,439 for the interior refresh of Mockingbird Elementary and authorize Dr. Brad Hunt or his designee to sign the necessary documents was made by Jobby Mathew and seconded by Ranna Raval. The motion passed 7-0.

Nichole Bentley motioned to approve School Specialty as the vendor to supply the furniture replacements at Wilson Elementary and Mockingbird Elementary at a total cost of \$1,250,595. Anthony Hill seconded the motion and the motion passed 7-0.

Manish Sethi motioned to approve the elementary school rezoning adjustments as presented by the administration starting in the 2024-2025 school. Jobby Mathew seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

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A motion to approve the Strategic Plan Objectives, Strategies and Specific Results as recommended by the district administration was made by Nichole Bentley. Manish Sethi seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Jobby Mathew motioned to approve the proposed calendar adjustment for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years calendars as presented. The motion was seconded by Leigh Walker and passed 7-0.

## BOARD REPORTS

- Board Operating Procedures Discussion, District Safety and Security Design Committee and 2024-2025 Budget Planning Debrief – David Caviness
- Legislative Update – Nichole Bentley
- CTE Advisory Committee, North Texas Area Association of School Boards (NTAASB), TASB Risk Management Fund Quarterly Meeting and Coppell Chamber of Commerce Education Committee – Anthony Hill
- 2024 Texas Federal Advocacy Conference – Manish Sethi

At 9:09 p.m. President Caviness called the Board into Closed Session under Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters.

At 10:19 p.m. President Caviness called the Board into Open Session.

No action was taken by the Board following closed session.

A motion was made by Anthony Hill and seconded by Manish Sethi to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:19 p.m.

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David Caviness, Board President

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Nichole Bentley, Secretary