Minutes of Regular Meeting April 14, 2025

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, April 14, 2025 beginning at 5:30 PM in the Merideth Keller Board Room at the Hays CISD Academic Support Center, located at 21003 Interstate 35, Kyle, TX 78640.

CALL TO ORDER: Establish a quorum

Board Vice President Byron Severance called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. All members of the Board were present with the exception of Board President Raul Vela and Trustee Courtney Runkle.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:30 PM 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 Byron Severance called the Board back to order to reconvene in open session at 6:33 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

Trustee Johnny Flores read the Hays CISD Board of Trustees Mission Statement.

SOCIAL CONTRACT

Trustee Geoff Seibel read the Hays CISD Board of Trustees Social Contract.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Dr. Eric Wright provided an enrollment update of 24,397 with an average daily attendance rate of 93.32%. Dr. Wright presented slides to the Board to provide an update regarding student activities district-wide, highlighting areas of achievement in fine arts and athletics. Dr. Wright received feedback from Board Vice President Byron Severance.

PUBLIC FORUM

There was no one present from the public wishing to address the Board of Trustees.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT REPORT

Deputy Superintendent / Chief Academic Officer Marivel Sedillo introduced Jaime Kinslow, the Interim Director of Assessment. Ms. Kinslow presented slides to the Board and responded to feedback and questions from Trustee Johnny Flores, Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea, Trustee Geoff Seibel, Trustee Esperanza Orosco, and Board Vice President Byron Severance. Derek McDaniel, Executive Officer of Curriculum & Instruction also provided response to Board questions.

CAMPUS RECOGNITION – Cullen Elementary School

This presentation is scheduled for the April 24, 2025 Board meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Vice President Byron Severance introduced the agenda item to query trustees regarding any items to be pulled for discussion. Trustee Geoff Seibel requested to pull agenda item K.2 – Budget Amendments.

Consideration and possible approval of meeting minutes

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.

Agreements, Contracts, and MOUs

a. Consideration and possible approval of the Provision of Instructional Materials Certification Form for the 2025-2026 School Year (Formerly the TEKS Certification Form)

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

 b. Consideration and possible approval of the Extension of the Hays CISD Depository Contract – Wells Fargo Bank

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

ACTION ITEMS

Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of Emergency Management Software for Critical Incident Notification

Board Vice President Byron Severance introduced the agenda item to begin discussion. Chief Safety and Security Officer Jeri Skrocki addressed the Board to provide a summarized update and information regarding this agenda item. There were no questions from the Board of Trustees.

Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of Instructional Materials and Start-up Expenses for the Fall 2025 opening of Ramage Elementary School

Board Vice President Byron Severance introduced the agenda item to begin discussion. Deputy Academic Officer Dr. Michael Watson responded to questions and feedback from Trustee Esperanza Orosco and Board Vice President Byron Severance.

Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of Security Fencing and Associated Installation Services (Phase 3) – Encore Fence

Board Vice President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item to begin discussion. Chief Safety and Security Officer Jeri Skrocki addressed the Board to provide an overview of this phase of the fencing project. Ms. Skrocki responded to questions and feedback from Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea and Board Vice President Raul Vela.

Consideration and possible approval of the Design Document Package and Cost Estimate for 2025 Bond Comprehensive High School #4

Board Vice President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item to open discussion. Chief Operations Officer Max Cleaver addressed to Board to introduce Jason Andrus of Huckabee Architects. Mr. Andrus presented slides to the Board to indicate changes to design documents. Mr. Andrus, Deputy Academic Officer David Pierce, Chief Technology Officer Alan Duerr, and Chief Communication Officer Tim Savoy responded to questions and feedback from Trustee Geoff Seibel, Trustee Esperanza Orosco, Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea, Trustee Johnny Flores, and Vice President Byron Severance.

Consideration and possible approval of the Selection of Design Professional and Method of Procurement for 2025 Bond Artificial Turf Installation and Running Track Cycle Replacement at all Hays CISD Middle Schools Board Vice President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item to begin discussion. Chief Operations Officer Max Cleaver addressed the Board. There were no questions from trustees. Board Vice President Byron Severance provided a feedback statement.

Consideration and possible approval of the Selection of Design Professional and Method of Procurement for 2025 Bond Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Life Safety, and Roof Repair Cycle Replacements at Negley Elementary, Pfluger Elementary, Science Hall Elementary, and Chapa Middle School

Board Vice President Byron Severance introduced the agenda item to begin conversation. Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer, provided information regarding this agenda item. There were no questions from the Board of Trustees.

Consideration and possible approval of a Development Agreement and Site Donation at the Kolodzey Tract from GRBK Edgewood LLC for Elementary School #18

Board Vice President Byron Severance introduced the agenda item to open discussion. Superintendent Dr. Eric Wright provided information as to the determination of the next elementary campus and its site donation. Chief Operations Officer Max Cleaver addressed the Board to provide additional information. Mr. Cleaver responded to questions from Trustee Johnny Flores.

INFORMATION ITEM

Report of Continuing Education Requirements for Board Members Under Senate Bill 1566
This agenda item will be discussed at the April 24, 2025 Board meeting.

Update on District Safety & Security Initiatives

There were no new updates related to this standing agenda item. There were no questions from the Board of Trustees.

Update on District Bond, Construction, and Renovation Projects

Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer, provided an update regarding bus fleet inventory. There were no questions from the Board of Trustees.

Presentation of information regarding upcoming Defeasance of Outstanding Bonds

Board Vice President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item. Chief Financial Officer Randy Rau addressed the Board to summarize the included document. Mr. Rau responded to feedback and questions from Trustee Geoff Seibel, Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea, and Board Vice President Byron Severance.

Review and Discussion of the 2025-2026 Budget Calendar

Board Vice President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item. There were no new updates nor questions from the Board.

Financial Statements

Board Vice President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item. There were no questions from the Board of Trustees.

Quarterly Investment Reports

Board Vice President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item. There were no questions from the Board of Trustees.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

There were no requests from the Board of Trustees.

RECAP OF QUESTIONS

There was no recap of questions.

ADJOURN

No further business was conducted, and Board Vice President Byron Severance announced that the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 PM.