

Minutes of Regular Meeting

February 10, 2025

Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees

These minutes are a record of the actions taken by the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees in the meeting held on the above date.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Kaufman ISD was held on Monday, February 10, 2025, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Kathy Covington Administration Building, 1000 South Houston Street, Kaufman, Texas 75142.

CALL TO ORDER: Establish a quorum

Vice President Christine Borders called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Christine Borders, Linda Mott, Byron Gregg, Lindsey Abell, and Casey Townsend were present. Elizabeth O'Donnell joined the meeting via Zoom at 5:21. Drew Peterson was absent.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to a closed session at 5:00 PM under the authority of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.074-Personnel Matters; TGC-Section 551.072 Real Property Deliberations; TGC-Section 551.076-Safety and Security.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in open session at 6:00 PM.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES AND TEXAS FLAGS

Byron Gregg led the Board in the Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the US and Texas Flags.

DISTRICT CELEBRATIONS

Jenny Henricks recognized School Board Students of the Month from each campus.

Taylor Bernhagen, Principal at J. W. Monday Elementary School, spotlighted student groups participating in important activities. Monday Elementary is focused on growing LION Leaders, the Safety Patrol, and programs such as Robotics. There are lots of great things going on at The MONDAY.

The School Board Recognized the 2025 "Mary Edith Ashworth Educators of the Year" with a certificate and a special plaque designed by the high school welding class.

Teachers of the Year are:

- **Helen Edwards Early Childhood Center – Katie Dodson**
- **Monday Elementary School – Angela Whiteman**
- **Nash Elementary School – Crystal Tischler**
- **Phillips Elementary School – Julie Berry**
- **O.P. Norman Junior High School – Charlie White**
- **Kaufman High School – Sonia Burleson**
- **Gary Campbell High School – Terry Mason**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one asked to speak.

INSTRUCTIONAL FOCUS / PRESENTATIONS

- Jenny Henricks Director of Communications gave an update to the board on what is currently going on around the district and what the communications department has achieved in the past year.
- Hannah Kidd Community Relations Coordinator and Executive Director of the Kaufman ISD Education Foundation gave an update about the Kaufman ISD Education Foundation, including the 2024 fall gala, teacher grants, and involvement with the community and school district.

PUBLIC HEARING (6:37 PM)

In a public hearing, Mrs. Amy Keith, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction, and Accountability, presented the results of the 2023-2024 Annual Academic Report. The public was invited to attend and participate in the discussion of the report. The report will be available on the District website. The public hearing ended at 6:48 PM.

ACTION ITEMS

Consideration and possible approval of the 2025-2026 KISD District School Calendar.

- Vice President Christine Borders read the suggested motion that the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees approve the 2025-2026 KISD District School Calendar, as presented.
 - Casey Townsend moved and Linda Mott seconded the motion.
 - The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

Consideration and Possible Approval of Election Resolution.

- Vice President Christine Borders read the suggested motion that the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees approve the Election Resolution, as presented.
 - Lindsey Abell moved and Casey Townsend seconded the motion.
 - The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

Consideration and Possible Approval of the Constitutional Amendment and Joint Election Contract for Joint Election Services with Kaufman County.

- Vice President Christine Borders read the suggested motion that the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees approve the Constitutional Amendment and Joint Election Contract for Joint Election Services with Kaufman County to conduct the general election on Saturday, May 3, 2025, as presented.
 - Byron Gregg moved and Linda Mott seconded the motion.
 - The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

Consideration and Possible Approval the Order General Election for May 3, 2025.

- Vice President Christine Borders read the suggested motion that the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees approve the Order General Election for May 3, 2025, as presented.
 - Casey Townsend moved and Lindsey Abell seconded the motion.
 - The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

Consideration and Possible Approval of the 2024 Annual Investment Review and Resolution.

- Vice President Christine Borders read the suggested motion that the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees vote to adopt the resolution approving the investment policy and strategies of the district, as presented.
 - Casey Townsend moved and Byron Gregg seconded the motion
 - The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consideration and possible approval of the Consent Agenda.

- ✓ Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on January 13, 2025
- ✓ 2025 Public Information Request Calendar
 - Vice President Christine Borders read the suggested motion that the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees approve the consent agenda, as presented.
 - Byron Gregg moved and Lindsey Abell seconded the motion.
 - There was no further discussion, and the motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- Amy Keith gave an update on the District Instructional Coaches this year. They used Joe Knight to do a book study on “The Impact Cycle”.
- Dr. Garcia presented the resignations, retirements, and new personnel.
- Mr. Miller presented the Financial Reports.
- Mr. Miller gave an update on Maintenance and Operations.
- Dr. Garcia presented the student enrollment.

ADJOURN

There being no other business, Vice President Christine Borders adjourned the meeting at 7:20 PM.

Approve: _____

Attest: _____