

Minutes of the January 13, 2025 - Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on January 13, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Vonita White Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Nichole Bentley.

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

David Caviness was not present.

A quorum was present.

Notice of this meeting was posted on January 7, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.

Staff present: Bard Hunt, Superintendent; Carol Snowden, Executive Administrative Assistant; Diana Sircar; Dr. Angie Brooks; Kristen Eichel; Angela Brown, Sid Grant; Amanda Simpson; Naveen Boppana; and Dwight Goodwin

Robert Lake with Rutherford, Taylor & Company P.C. was present.

At 6:20 p.m., Vice President Bentley declared the Board in Closed Session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.071 – Private Consultation with Board's attorney.

Vice President Bentley declared the Board in Open Session at 7:06 p.m.

AWARDS

- Eric Hanson County Music Association Teacher of Excellence
- Each Board Member was recognized for Board Appreciation Month

DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS AND UPDATES

- CHS Theatre Presents Matilda
- Texas Thespian Festival Success
- Congratulations Middle School Spanish Spelling Bee Winners
- Congratulations 2nd Grading Period Super Teachers
- State of the District on January 14 at 6:30 p.m. at CHS

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Leigh Walker gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN FORUM

No community members requested to address the Board in Open Forum.

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS - SUPERINTENDENT

A CISD 2030 Strategic Plan update was given by Amanda Simpson (Director of Communications). Diana Sircar (Chief Financial Officer) continued the Superintendent Reports with an update regarding the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 Budget Planning. Finally, a discussion of Proposed Boundaries for 2025-2026 was provided by Dr. Brad Hunt (Superintendent) and Diana Sircar (Chief Financial Officer).

CONSENT

Anthony Hill made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Approve minutes of regular Board meeting held on December 9, 2024, and Special meeting held on December 12, 2024
2. Approve Monthly Budget Amendments for January 2025
3. Approve Financial Report for November 2024

Ranna Raval seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

ACTION

A motion to approve the 2024 Property Tax Roll as presented was made by Jobby Mathew and seconded by Manish Sethi. The motion passed 6-0.

Auditor Robert Lake presented the results of the annual audit. Anthony Hill motioned to approve the annual financial audit for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2024, as presented. The motion was seconded by Leigh Walker and passed 6-0.

Anthony Hill made a motion to approve Spectrum Resource Roofing, LLC for the 75% flat roof replacement at Coppell High School at a total cost not to exceed \$5,750,111.00. The motion was seconded by Nichole Bentley and passed 6-0.

Nichole Bentley moved that the Order calling a School Board Trustee General Election for Places 1, 2, and 3 on May 3, 2025, be adopted as presented. Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS – BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- Legislative Update – Nichole Bentley

At 8:04 p.m., Vice President Bentley declared the Board in Closed Session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.074 - Personnel Matters.

Vice President Bentley declared the Board in Open Session at 8:18 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Leigh Walker and seconded by Ranna Raval to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

David Caviness, Board President

Jobby Mathew, Secretary