

Special Called Meeting  
Thursday, January 29, 2026 6:00 PM Central

Hawkins Administration Building  
441 FM 2821 East  
Huntsville, TX 77320-9223

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

I.A. Announcement by the President as to the presence of a quorum

I.B. Certification that public notice of the meeting was given in accordance with the provision of Section 551.002 et. seq. of the Texas Government Code

## **II. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

II.A. Agenda Item only

## **III. ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

III.A. Consider Board approval of Thompson and Horton LLP as Superintendent search consultants.

**Presenters: David Thompson & Dr. Mike Moses**

To approve Thompson and Horton as Superintendent search consultants. This motion, made by Amanda Burris and seconded by Rissie Owens, Passed.

Amanda Burris: Yea, John Hendricks: Yea, Ken Holland: Yea, J.T. Langley: Yea, Sherry Odom: Yea, Rissie Owens: Yea, Cathy Schweitzer: Yea, Tracy Stoudt: Yea  
Yea: 8, Nay: 0

## **IV. CLOSED SESSION: 6:32pm**

**Closed session may be held for the purposes permitted in Section 551, sub-chapter D et. seq. of the Texas Government Code.**

**Section 551.071 For the purpose of a private consultation between the Board of Trustees and its attorney when the Board of Trustees seeks the attorney's advice with respect to pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, and matters where the duty of the Board of Trustees' counsel to his client pursuant to the Code of Professional Responsibility of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meeting Act.**

**Section 551.072 For the purpose of discussion with respect to the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect of the position of the Board of Trustees in negotiations with a third person.**

**Section 551.073 For the purpose of deliberation regarding prospective gifts or to deliberate a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the Board of Trustees or the school district, if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the Board of Trustees in negotiations with a third person.**

**Section 551.074** For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee, unless such officer or employee requests a public hearing.

**Section 551.075** To confer with an employee or employees where the conference is for the sole purpose of receiving information from the employee(s) or questioning of public business shall take place between the Trustees during the conference.

**Section 551.076** To discuss the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices.

**Section 551.082** For the purpose of considering discipline of a public school child or children or to hear a complaint by an employee against another employee if the complaint or charge directly results in a need for a hearing.

**Section 551.0821** For the purpose of considering a matter regarding a student if personally identifiable information about the student will necessarily be revealed by the deliberation.

**Section 551.084** For the purpose of excluding witness or witnesses from a hearing during examination of another witness.

**Section 39.030** For the purpose of discussing academic skills assessment instruments and individual assessment instruments.

IV.A. Personnel (551.074): for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee.

IV.A.1. Consultation with Thompson and Horton LLP regarding the search process.

IV.A.2. Discuss Superintendent's Voluntary Retirement Agreement

## **V. RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION**

Reconvened at 8:48 PM.

## **VI. ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

VI.A. Consider authorizing the President of the Board of Trustees to execute the Voluntary Retirement Agreement on behalf of the district.

Motion to authorize the President of the Board of Trustees to execute the Voluntary Retirement Agreement on behalf of the district and Dr. Sheppard. This motion, made by Rissie Owens and seconded by Amanda Burris, Passed.

Amanda Burris: Yea, John Hendricks: Yea, Ken Holland: Yea, J.T. Langley: Yea, Sherry Odom: Yea, Rissie Owens: Yea, Cathy Schweitzer: Yea, Tracy Stoudt: Yea  
Yea: 8, Nay: 0

## **VII. ADJOURNMENT-** Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Motion to adjourn meeting. This motion, made by Amanda Burris and seconded by Rissie Owens, Passed.

Amanda Burris: Yea, John Hendricks: Yea, Ken Holland: Yea, J.T. Langley: Yea, Sherry Odom: Yea, Rissie Owens: Yea, Cathy Schweitzer: Yea, Tracy Stoudt: Yea  
Yea: 8, Nay: 0