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Minutes of the March 31, 2025 - Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on March 31, 2025, 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; Nichole Bentley, Vice President; Jobby Mathew, Secretary; Leigh Walker; Manish Sethi; Anthony Hill and Ranna Raval

A quorum was present.

Notice of this meeting was posted on March 28, 2025, at 2:00 p.m.

Staff present: Brad Hunt, Superintendent; Carol Snowden, Administrative Assistant; Kristen Eichel; Dr. Angie Brooks; Diana Sircar; Angela Brown; Dwight Goodwin; Sid Grant; Mary Kennington; Dr. Josh Howard; Samira Khan; Sabrina Khan; Amanda Simpson; Kim Shuttlesworth, Gerry Miller, and Naveen Boppana

DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

Superintendent Hunt spoke about the following district highlights:

- Early Childhood, Elementary and Middle School Open Houses
- CMS North Chosen as Model PLC Community for 8th Consecutive Year
- Beam Signing Ceremony for the new CHS Fine Arts Rehearsal Building
- Job Shadowing Day
- Coppell Day at the Capitol

AWARDS

- ESGR Patriot Awards for Cisd, CHS, CHS9, New Tech, Victory Place, CMS North and Cottonwood Creek Elementary
- Coppell Cheer Wins 2 National Cheer Association Championships

Trustee Manish Sethi 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

Mary Kennington (Director of Accountability, Assessment, & Multi-Tiered Systems of Support), Dr. Josh Howard (Director of CTE), Samira Khan (Director of Elementary Math & Science); and Sabrina Khan (Director of Elementary Literacy & Social Studies) presented an update on House Bill 3 Goals and Data. Sid Grant (Bond Project Manager) gave an update on current bond projects.

CONSENT

Nichole Bentley made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Approve minutes of Hearing and Regular Board meeting held on February 24, 2025, and Special meeting held on March 6, 2025

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2. Approve Monthly Budget Amendments for March 2025
3. Approve Financial Report for February 2025
4. Approve the Investment Report for period ending February 28, 2025
5. Approve the Recommendation to Award RFP #112-25 for Student Data Management System IEP_FIE_LPAC_Section 504

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

ACTION

Anthony Hill made a motion that the Coppell ISD Board of Trustees approve the Coppell HS Band travel to perform in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Dublin, Ireland during Spring Break 2026 as presented. The motion was seconded by Leigh Walker and approved 7-0.

A motion that the Coppell ISD Board of Trustees the resolution as presented declaring a public purpose for the expenditure of district funds for employee pay to CHS9 employees for the date of March 5, 2025, was made by Nichole Bentley. The motion was seconded by Jobby Mathew and passed 7-0.

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS – BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- Board Operating Procedures – David Caviness
- Coppell ISD Efficiency Review Committee (CERC) Report – Jobby Mathew
- Legislative Update and Emergent Bilingual Advisory Council Meeting – Nichole Bentley
- Coppell Chamber of Commerce Education Committee and the North Texas Area Association of School Boards (NTAASB) – Anthony Hill
- District Educational Improvement Committee (DEIC) - Ranna Raval

At 8:44 p.m., President Caviness called the Board into Closed Session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by 551.074 - Personnel Matters.

President Caviness declared the Board in Open Session at 9:57 p.m.

Nichole Bentley motioned to approve the renewal of administrative contracts as recommended by the Superintendent. The motion was seconded by Anthony Hill and passed 7-0.

A motion was made by Nichole Bentley and seconded by Anthony Hill to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

David Caviness, Board President

Jobby Mathew, Secretary