

## **Minutes of the July 28, 2025 - Regular School Board Meeting**

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on July 28, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Vonita White boardroom, 200 S. Denton Tap, Coppell, Texas. The meeting was called to order by President David Caviness at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: David Caviness, President; Nichole Bentley, Vice President; Jobby Mathew, Secretary; Leigh Walker; Jonathan Powers; Anthony Hill; and Ranna Raval

A quorum was present.

Notice of this meeting was posted on July 24, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.

Staff present: Doug Williams, Interim Superintendent; Carol Snowden, Executive Assistant; Sid Grant; Kristen Eichel; Dr. Angie Brooks; Diana Sircar; Dwight Goodwin; Annelise Ford; Cooper Hilton; Naveen Boppana and Amanda Simpson

### **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

- CHS Senior Shreeya Gedda Congressional Award Gold Medal Recipient
- New Tech Senior Andy Coffey has been selected to serve on the Hope Squad National Council
- Ranna Raval Achieves Master Trustee Distinction

### **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Trustee Jobby Mathew gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **OPEN FORUM**

Opportunity to speak in person or have a statement read in Open Forum was provided to the community. The following community members spoke:

Subbu Venkat – New Tech

Sujith RC - New Tech

Krishna Kelley – Budget – New Tech

Antonia Kelley – Budget – New Tech

### **DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS – SUPERINTENDENT**

A. Multi-Year Balanced Budget Plan - Diana Sircar (Chief Financial Officer), Angela Brown (Chief Communications Officer), Dr. Angie Brooks (Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction), Kristen Eichel (Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services) and Sid Grant (Chief Operations Officer)

I. 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 Budget Planning

II. New Tech Project Team Update

III. Elementary Campus Configuration

### **CONSENT**

## **DRAFT**

Trustee Anthony Hill requested that item 1 listing the minutes to be approved from previous meetings be pulled from the consent agenda to correct the spelling of Trustee Jonathan Powers last name on the June 23, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes.

Leigh Walker made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items as presented removing item 1 from the list:

1. Approve monthly Budget Amendments for July 2025
2. Approve Financial Report for June 2025
3. Approve Purchasing Cooperative Usage and Associated Fees Paid
4. Approval of Vendors for Informal Catalog Bids for SY2025-2026
5. Approve the 2025-2026 Appraisal Calendar and Second Appraisers
6. Approve the renewal of membership in Walsh Gallegos' Legal Services Retainer Program for 2025-2026

Nichole Bentley seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Anthony Hill motioned to approve the amended minutes of the regular meeting held on June 23, 2025, to the correct spelling for Jonathan Powers last name from Hill to Powers, the special meeting held on July 7, 2025, and the workshop held on July 14, 2025. The motion was seconded by Nichole Bentley and passed 7-0.

### **ACTION**

Nichole Bentley motioned to approve the proposal from Aramark Facilities Management for concrete trip hazard repairs at Cottonwood Creek Elementary and for the assessment of all additional campuses at a total cost of \$46,101.02. The motion was seconded by Anthony Hill and passed 7-0.

Anthony Hill motioned to approve Red River for the purchase and installation of network switching equipment at the Fine Arts building at Coppell High School not to exceed a total cost of \$85,000. The motion was seconded by Jobby Mathew. The motion passed 7-0.

A motion to accept the revised Campus Planning and Boundary Realignment Timeline as presented was made by Jonathan Powers and seconded by Leigh Walker. The motion passed 7-0.

Anthony Hill motioned that the Board add or replace (LOCAL) policies as offered by TASB Policy Service for consideration and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 125 as recommended. The motion was seconded by Nichole Bentley and passed 7-0. Policies as listed below:

- I. BDAA (LOCAL) - Officers and Officials: Duties and Requirements of Board Officers (Replace Policy)
- II. BDB (LOCAL) - Board Internal Organization: Board Committees (Replace Policy)
- III. BDF (LOCAL) - Board Internal Organization: Advisory Committees (Add Policy)
- IV. EI (LOCAL) - Academic Achievement (Replace Policy)
- V. FDE (LOCAL) - Admissions: School Safety Transfers (Replace Policy)

## **DRAFT**

### **VI. FEC (LOCAL) - Attendance: Attendance for Credit (Replace Policy)**

A motion to adopt a resolution regarding the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) regarding Policy EFB (Exhibit) as recommended was made by Anthony Hill. David Caviness seconded the motion and the motion passed 7-0.

Nichole Bentley motioned that the Board approve Texas Association of School Boards (LOCAL) Policy updates and add (LOCAL) policy as recommended. The motion was seconded by Anthony Hill and passed 7-0. Policies as listed below:

- I. EFB (LOCAL) – Instructional Resources/Library Devices (Replace Policy)
- II. FD (LOCAL) – Admissions (Replace Policy)
- III. FM (LOCAL) – Student Activities (Replace Policy)
- IV. FNCE (LOCAL) – Personal Communication Devices/Electronic Devices (Replace Policy)

A motion to adopt the CISD 2025-2026 Student Code of Conduct as recommended was made by Anthony Hill. The motion was seconded by Jobby Mathew and passed 7-0.

### **DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS – BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

- Superintendent Search Update – David Caviness
- Legislative Update – Nichole Bentley
- TASB Risk Management Fund Board Quarterly meeting and Coppell Chamber of Commerce Education Committee – Anthony Hill
- Leadership TASB – Ranna Raval

### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 9:18 p.m., President Caviness declared the Board in Closed Session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.074 - Personnel.

### **OPEN SESSION**

President Caviness declared the Board in Open Session at 9:51 p.m.

No action was taken following Closed Session.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

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David Caviness, Board President

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Jobby Mathew, Board Secretary