

AT A BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ECTOR COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT HELD AT THE ADMINISTRATION BOARD ROOM, 802 NORTH SAM HOUSTON, ODESSA, ECTOR COUNTY, TEXAS, AT 6:00 P.M., JUNE 11, 2024, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

Present:

Delma Abalos
Dr. Steve Brown
Tammy Hawkins
Dawn Miller
Christopher Stanley
Robert Thayer
Wayne Woodall

Absent:

School Officials: Dr. Scott Muri, Mike Adkins, Dr. Lilia Náñez, Deborah Ottmers, Dr. Keeley Boyer, Dr. Anthony Sorola, Alicia Syverson, Dr. Kellie Wilks

Others: Tatiana Dennis, Michael Hawley, Lisa Wills, Andrea Moreno-Hewitt, A. Feliz Abalos, Ryan Merritt, Christopher Bartlett, Peggy Dean, Lorraine Perryman, Ray Perryman, Mariann Bagley, Sarah Hawkins, Betsy Triplett-Hurt, Dustin Fawcett, Robin Fawcett, Matthew Spivey, Mark Gabrylczyk, Tracey Borchardt, Rita Lopez, Sandra Talavera, Mary Franco

26745 **Meeting Called to Order:** Christopher Stanley, Board President, called the Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

26746 **Verification of Compliance with Open Meeting Law – this is to certify that the provisions of Section 551.001 of the Texas Government Code have been met in connection with the public notice of this meeting:** Board President Christopher Stanley, verified that the provisions of Section 551.001 of the Texas Government Code have been met in connection with public notice of this meeting.

26747 **Opening Remarks by Superintendent:** In Dr. Muri's opening remarks, he talked about making two special trips to the sites for the new middle school and the new Career & Technical Education facility. The two properties are now officially owned by ECISD, and signs are up announcing this. He also delivered exciting news that ECISD's latest graduation rate is up two points from one year ago to 85.7% and that is the highest mark in at least 22 years. He reminded Trustees graduation rate lags by a year, and this official figure from the state is for the Class of 2023.

26748 **Public Comment:** Individuals who wish to participate during the portion of the meeting designated for public comment shall sign up with the presiding officer or designee before the meeting begins as specified in the Board's procedures on public comment and shall indicate the agenda item on which they wish to address the Board. *BED(LOCAL)*

In public comment, Peggy Dean, Mariann Bagley, and Betsy Triplett-Hurt all spoke in support for Delma Abalos for president of the school board, highlighting her years of service to ECISD and the board's regular succession plan as reasons for her election as president for the 2024-2025 school year.

(At the request of Board Member Delma Abalos, Action Item 6.A was moved for discussion and action immediately following Public Comment.)

A five-minute recess was taken to collect and tally the ballots.

Action Items

26749 Discussion of and Request for Approval of Reorganization of Board of Trustees Naming President, Vice-President and Secretary: The Texas Education Code, Section 11.061(C) requires that each school board "organize at the first meeting after the election and qualification of trustees." Trustees submitted the following nominations for the official voting ballot.

The following votes for Board President were cast:

Delma Abalos	Three (3) Votes
Chris Stanley	Four (4) Votes

Moved by Brown, seconded by Thayer to approve Chris Stanley as elected by majority vote to serve as the 2024-2025 Ector County ISD Board President.

For:	Against:
Brown	Abalos
Hawkins	Miller
Thayer	
Stanley	
Woodall	

Motion carried.

The following votes for Board Vice-President were cast:

Tammy Hawkins	Five (5) Votes
Dawn Miller	Two (2) Votes

Moved by Woodall, seconded by Thayer to approve Tammy Hawkins as elected by majority vote to serve as the 2024-2025 Ector County ISD Board Vice-President.

For:	Against:
Brown	Abalos
Hawkins	Miller
Thayer	

Stanley
Woodall

Motion carried.

The following votes for Board Secretary were cast:

Delma Abalos	Zero (0) Votes
Steve Brown	Six (6) Votes
Robert Thayer	One (1) Vote

Moved by Hawkins, seconded by Thayer to approve Steve Brown as elected by majority vote to serve as the 2024-2025 Ector County ISD Board Secretary.

For:	Against:
Brown	Abalos
Hawkins	Miller
Thayer	
Stanley	
Woodall	

Motion carried.

Report/Discussion Items

26750 **PBK Architects Design Update:** Superintendent of Schools Dr. Scott Muri opened this item for discussion. PBK Design Director Daniel De La Garza provided Trustees with an update on the design for the new middle school. Regarding the project's scope and sequence, the school will serve approximately 1,000 students; there is an overall projected budget of \$120 million, \$90 million for construction; groundbreaking is planned for January 2025 with an opening in August 2026; a community committee has discussed goals, explored some design concepts, and visited an existing middle school – Griffin MS in Lewisville – that was designed by PBK, and are now taking the feedback received to fit that concept into a plan that fits ECISD's needs. Architects also reviewed the site plan showing how the school could best fit on the property on S. Tripp Avenue, for instance the main entrance would face west, the classroom wing would face north and south for the best natural lighting, and extra-curricular fields and practice areas on the eastern/southern sides of the school building. Trustees viewed digital renderings of different points of view of the design. The floor plan is a two-story concept, similar to the style of the three newest elementary schools (Buice, Downing, and West) with classrooms on two floors on one end of the building and athletics, fine arts, and CTE spaces on one floor on the other end. The cafeteria and a school hub sit in the middle of the building, with a media center in between the first-floor academic area and the administrative offices. Trustees discussed the design at length with representatives from PBK.

No action required.

- 26751** **Discussion of Resolution of the Board to Lease or Allow for a Purpose other than a District Purpose of any Unused or Underused District Facility:** Associate Superintendent of Student & School Support Alicia Syverson presented this item for discussion. This resolution would allow ECISD to partner with an outside organization to use part of the Travis Elementary School building for a high-quality daycare facility. Texas Education Code allows a school district to lease or allow use of an unused or underused facility for a purpose other than a district purpose. In March, Trustees voted unanimously to establish an attendance boundary for Zavala Elementary that will include students who attended Travis Elementary. As a result, Travis will be repurposed. Trustees have identified a need for a high-quality childcare provider for the Ector County community. Statistically, several zip codes in Ector County are considered Childcare Deserts due to lack of high-quality childcare centers for the number of children ages 0-5 in that area. This resolution, if approved, will establish the parameters of any future agreement to use Travis Elementary for this purpose.

No action required.

- 26752** **Spring 2024 MAP Assessment Presentation:** Associate Superintendent of C & I Dr. Lilia Náñez presented an update on Spring 2024 MAP Assessment for discussion. MAP stands for Measure of Academic Progress; it is an assessment given three times to measure a student's growth from beginning to end of the school year, this update will show growth for students from Fall 2023 to the Spring 2024 for English Language Arts and Reading (ELAR), Math and Science. The MAP assessment measures student growth in comparison to projected growth standards. In ELAR, six grade levels (K, 2, 8, 10, 11, & 12) met or exceeded the growth projections, even as the bar was raised from last year to this year. In Math, which is administered kindergarten through 8th grade, four grade levels (K, 1, 2, 3, & 4) met or exceeded projected growth. In Language in high school, three grade levels (9, 11, & 12) met or exceeded projected growth. In Science, administered 3rd through 8th, four grade levels (3, 4, 5, & 8) met or exceeded projected growth. The work now is to dig into these results to discover causes for individual grade levels missing the targets.

No action required.

- 26753** **Possible Request for Approval to Move to Closed Meeting - Personnel Matters - Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code - [Board will deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of public employee of the District or hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee.]** (The Board of Trustees will deliberate on the hiring of a Principal at San Jacinto Elementary). **Consultations with Attorney – Section 551.071 of the Texas Open Meetings Act [The Board will meet in Closed Session in Consultation with the Board's Attorney Regarding all Matters as Authorized by Law.]:**

Board President Christopher Stanley convened the Board of Trustees to closed session at 7:54 p.m.

Board President Christopher Stanley reconvened the Board of Trustees to open session at 8:06 p.m.

26754 **Closing Remarks by Superintendent:** In his closing remarks, Dr. Muri announced Sam Martinez as the new principal at San Jacinto Elementary. He has been the principal at Fly Elementary for the past eight years. He announced his intention to retire at the end of this school year, however, he reconsidered and is being placed at San Jacinto.

26755 **Adjournment:** Christopher Stanley Board President, adjourned the Board meeting at 8:06 p.m.

Board President
Christopher Stanley

Board Secretary
Dr. Steve Brown