

Minutes of the July 27, 2026 - Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on July 27, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Vonita White boardroom, 200 S. Denton Tap, Coppell, Texas. The meeting was called to order by President Nichole Bentley at 6:00 p.m.

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

A quorum was present.

Notice of this meeting was posted on July 21, 2026, at 2:30 p.m.

Staff present: Dr. Leanne Shivers Superintendent; Carol Snowden, Executive Assistant; Randy Fite; Cooper Hilton; Dr. Amber Lasseigne; Angela Brown Dwight Goodwin; Mark Bradford; Naveen Boppana and Amanda Simpson

DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS AND UPDATES

- Summer Learning Activities
- July 4th Parade
- Back-to-School Prep

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- National School Public Relations Association (NSPRA) Gold Achievement Award for Cowboys United

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Trustee Leigh Walker 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:

- Thomas Burrows – Regarding No Response to Inquiries

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS – SUPERINTENDENT

- A. Superintendent Shivers introduced Dr. Emily Camarena as the new Executive Director for Human Resources and Jorge Acevedo as the new Principal for Denton Creek Elementary
- B. Dr. Amber Lasseigne (Chief Financial Officer) provided a Budget report for Child Nutrition and Debt Service
- C. Randy Fite (Chief Operations Officer) provided an update on current construction projects
- D. Cooper Hilton (Assistant Superintendent for Leadership and Administrative Services) discussed TASB Policy Update 127

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CONSENT

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

1. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 22, 2026
2. Approve monthly Budget Amendments for July 2026
3. Approve Financial Report for June 2026
4. Approval of Vendors for Informal Catalog Bids for SY2026-2027
5. Approve the purchase of Child Nutrition Dish Machines for various campuses
6. Approve a Good Cause Exception Resolution for Armed Security Staffing as required under House Bill 121
7. Approve adoption of the Coppell ISD 2026-2027 Student Code of Conduct
8. Approve the 2026-2027 Appraisal Calendar and Second Appraisers
9. Approve the Interlocal Agreement by and between the Metrocrest Hospital Authority and the Coppell Independent School District
10. Approve the renewal of membership in Walsh Gallegos' Legal Services Retainer Program for 2026-2027

Ranna Raval seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

ACTION

Jobby Mathew motioned to approve the Charge to the 2027 Bond Steering Committee as presented. The motion was seconded by Jonathan Powers and passed 7-0.

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS – BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- TASB Risk Management Fund Board Quarterly meeting – Anthony Hill

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:32 p.m., President Bentley declared the Board in Closed Session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.074 – Personnel and Section 551.076 - Security Devices and Security Audits.

OPEN SESSION

President Bentley declared the Board in Open Session at 8:00 p.m.

No action was taken following Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Nichole Bentley, Board President

Anthony Hill, Board Secretary