Minutes of the February 24, 2025 - Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District, #057-922, met in a regular session on February 24,2025 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; Anthony Hill and Ranna Raval

Trustee Manish Sethi was not present.

A quorum was present.

Notice of this meeting was posted on February 21, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

Staff present: Brad Hunt, Superintendent; Carol Snowden, Executive Assistant; Kristen Eichel; Dr. Angie Brooks; Diana Sircar; Amanda Simpson; Mary Kennington; Angela Brown; Annelise Ford; Dwight Goodwin; Sid Grant and Naveen Bopanna.

At 6:01p.m., President Caviness declared the Board in Closed Session, as authorized under the Government Code of Texas, as allowed by Section 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney

President Caviness declared the Board in Open Session at 6:24 p.m.

DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS AND UPDATES

Superintendent Dr. Hunt shared the following district highlights:

- Celebrating Black History Month
- Celebrating Career and Technical Education Month
- Signing Day at CHS
- Elementary UIL Competition
- Elementary Schools Celebrate 100 Days of School

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- Metrocrest Health Services Grant
- Campus Teacher of the Year Recognition

Trustee Anthony Hill gave the Invocation and let the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN FORUM

The following community members came forward to speak in person during the Open Forum portion of the agenda:

- Thomas Burrows Who to direct questions to if no longer a parent in the district
- Sheri Hill 504 Plans

A hearing for public discussion of the Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) was held by Mary Kennington, Director of Accountability, Assessment and Multi-Tiered Systems of Support.

DISCUSSION AND REPORT ITEMS - SUPERINTENDENT

- Attendance Matters Campaign Update Angela Brown (Chief Communications Officer)
- Report on the Cycle A Safety Audit as required by Texas Education Code 37.108 and the Coppell ISD Emergency Operations Plan - Greg Alexander (Coordinator of Safety and Security).

CONSENT

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

- 1. Approve minutes of the regular Board meeting held on January 13, 2025, and Board workshops held on January 15, 2025, and February 3, 2025
- 2. Approve Monthly Budget Amendments for February 2025
- 3. Approve Financial Report for December 2024 and January 2025
- 4. Approve the Resolution for Schools and Libraries Universal Services (E-Rate) for 2025-2026 This resolution authorizes filing of the Form 471 applications for funding year 2025-2026 and the payment of the applicant's share upon approval of funding and receipt of services

Anthony Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

ACTION

A motion to approve all matters incident and related to the issuance and sale of "Coppell Independent School District Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2025", including the adoption of an order authorizing the issuance of such bonds, establishing parameters for the sale and issuance of such bonds, and delegating certain matters to authorized District officials was made by Anthony Hill and seconded by Nichole Bentley. The motion passed 6-0.

Jobby Mathew motioned to approve the amendment of the Core Construction Contract to include a Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$3,510,423.00 for the interior refresh of Town Center Elementary and authorize Dr. Brad Hunt or his designee to sign the necessary documents. The motion was seconded by Leigh Walker and passed 6-0.

A motion to approve the amendment of the Core Construction Contract to include a Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$3,723,852.00 for the interior refresh of Denton Creek Elementary and authorize Dr. Brad Hunt or his designee to sign the necessary documents was made by Nichole Bentley and seconded by Anthony Hill. The motion passed 6-0.

Anthony Hill motioned to approve the amendment of the Core Construction Contract to include a Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$1,883,770.00 for the Phase One interior refresh of Coppell Middle School North and authorize Dr. Brad Hunt or his designee to

sign the necessary documents. The motion was seconded by Ranna Raval and passed 6-0.

Nichole Bentley motioned to approve School Specialty as the vendor to supply the furniture replacements at Denton Creek, Town Center, and Valley Ranch Elementaries at a total cost not to exceed \$2,380,546.66. The motion was seconded by Leigh Walker and passed 6-0.

A motion to approve the proposal from Hellas Construction, Inc. for the replacement of the indoor artificial turf at Coppell High School for a total cost not to exceed \$781,915.00 was made by Anthony Hill. The motion was seconded by Jobby Mathew and passed 6-0.

A motion to approve the proposal from Hellas Construction, Inc. for the replacement of the artificial turf and resurfacing of the running track at Coppell Middle School North for a total cost not to exceed \$1,285,865.00 was made by Ranna Raval and seconded by Anthony Hill. The motion passed 6-0.

A motion to approve the hiring of One Source Building Services for miscellaneous ADA compliant sidewalk additions, concrete replacement (interior and exterior), additional safety fencing, irrigation replacement, and elementary walking track resurfacing at a total cost not to exceed \$750,000 was made by Nichole Bentley and seconded by Anthony Hill. The motion passed 6-0.

Anthony Hill motioned that the Board add, revise, or delete (LOCAL) policies as offered by TASB Policy Service for consideration and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 124 as recommended. Policies as listed below:

- I. CAA (LOCAL) Fiscal Management Goals and Objectives: Financial Ethics (Replace Policy)
- II. CDA (LOCAL) Other Revenues: Investments (Replace Policy)
- III. CY (LOCAL) Intellectual Property (Replace Policy)
- IV. DH (LOCAL) Employee Standards of Conduct (Replace Policy)
- V. EHB (LOCAL) Curriculum Design: Special Programs (Replace Policy)
- VI. EHBB (LOCAL) Special Programs Gifted and Talented Students (Replace Policy)
- VII. FFG (LOCAL) Student Welfare: Child Abuse and Neglect (Replace Policy)
- VIII. GKA (LOCAL) Community Relations: Conduct on School Premises (Replace Policy)

The motion was seconded by Nichole Bentley and passed 6-0.

BOARD REPORTS

 Legislative Update and Career & Technical Education (CTE) Update - Nichole Bentley

- Safety and Security Committee Meeting Report and TASB Legislative Conference - David Caviness
- Bond Oversight and Coppell ISD Efficiency Review Committee (CERC) Reports -Jobby Mathew
- North Texas Area Association of School Board (NTAASB), TASB Risk Management Fund Board Quarterly meeting and the Coppell Chamber of Commerce Education Committee meeting - Anthony Hill
- LTASB Session 3 and State Capitol visit for Public Education Advocacy Ranna Raval
- CBAS Quarterly Report and Coppell ISD Education Foundation Meeting Leigh Walker

At 9:40 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 Matters

President Caviness declared the Board in Open Session at 10:01 p.m.

A motion was made by Anthony Hill and seconded by Nichole Bentley to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:01 p.m.

David Caviness, Board President
Jobby Mathew, Secretary