# Minutes of Regular Meeting October 6, 2025 Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees

These minutes are a record of the actions taken by the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees in the meeting held on the above date.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Kaufman ISD was held on Monday, October 6, 2025, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Kathy Covington Administration Building, 1000 South Houston Street, Kaufman, Texas 75142.

# **CALL TO ORDER:** Establish a quorum

President Drew Peterson called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM. Christine Borders, Linda Mott, Byron Gregg, Elizabeth O'Donnell, Lindsey Abell, and Casey Townsend (5:04 PM) were present.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:02 PM. Under the authority of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.074-Personnel Matters; TGC-Section 551.072 Real Property Deliberations; TGC-Section 551.076-Safety and Security.

# **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened in open session at 6:00 PM.

# PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES AND TEXAS FLAGS

Board member Byron Gregg led the Board in the Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the US and Texas Flags.

# **DISTRICT CELEBRATIONS**

Jenny Henricks recognized School Board Students of the Month from each campus.

Alica Thurston, Principal at J.R. Phillips Elementary School, introduced Chris Massey and the staff. They showcased some of the Book Buddies and even had students read a great book to the board titled *My New School*, which highlighted their experiences and excitement about learning in a new environment.

The District celebrated National Principals Month by honoring our exceptional principals. Dr. Garcia presented each principal with a bracelet and a certificate in recognition of their hard work. Additionally, the Board hosted a dinner to show its appreciation for the dedication and commitment of all KISD Principals.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one asked to speak.

# **INSTRUCTIONAL FOCUS / PRESENTATIONS**

- Director of CCMR & CTE, Gavin Eastep, updated us on the Class of 2025 CCMR outcomes.
- Katie Harms (Diamond Communications) and Adam Quinn (TASB) presented the Wireless Connectivity opportunity to put a tower on the District property.
- Derek Honea (RBC Capital) presented a KISD Refunding Analysis.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

Consideration and possible approval of the KISD Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2025, as presented.

- Vice President Christine Borders read the suggested motion for the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees to approve the KISD Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2025, as presented.
  - Linda Mott seconded the motion.
  - The motion passed with a vote of 7-0: Drew Peterson, Christine Borders, Linda Mott, Lindsey Abell, Byron Gregg, Elizabeth O'Donnell, and Casey Townsend all in favor.

Consideration and possible approval of the Local Policy EFB.

- Byron Gregg read the suggested motion for the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees to adopt the amended EFB Local Policy, as presented.
  - Elizabeth O'Donnell seconded the motion.
  - The motion passed with a vote of 7-0: Drew Peterson, Christine Borders, Linda Mott, Lindsey Abell, Byron Gregg, Elizabeth O'Donnell, and Casey Townsend all in favor.

Consideration and possible approval of the District of Innovation Plan-Update.

- Byron Gregg read the suggested motion for the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees to approve to adopt the amended District of Innovation Plan, as presented.
  - Lindsey Abell seconded the motion.
  - The motion passed with a vote of 7-0: Drew Peterson, Christine Borders, Linda Mott, Lindsey Abell, Byron Gregg, Elizabeth O'Donnell, and Casey Townsend all in favor.

Consideration and possible approval of the Resolution for Kaufman Central Appraisal District.

- Vice President Christine Borders read the suggested motion for the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees to approve the nominee Dr. Bruce Wood for election to the Board of Directors of Kaufman Central Appraisal District as outlined in the resolution, as presented.
  - Elizabeth O'Donnell seconded the motion.

 The motion passed with a vote of 7-0: Drew Peterson, Christine Borders, Linda Mott, Lindsey Abell, Byron Gregg, Elizabeth O'Donnell, and Casey Townsend all in favor.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

Consideration and possible approval of the Consent Agenda.

- ✓ Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on September 8, 2025.
- ✓ Purchase Approval-Fun and Function.
  - Byron Gregg read the suggested motion that the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees approve the consent agenda, as presented.
    - Linda Mott seconded the motion.
    - There was no further discussion. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0: Drew Peterson, Christine Borders, Linda Mott, Lindsey Abell, Byron Gregg, Elizabeth O'Donnell, and Casey Townsend all in favor.

# SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Mrs. Keith gave an update on Bluebonnet Learning and implementation.
- Dr. Roberts presented the resignations, retirements, and new personnel and welcomed back Ashley Smith as Payroll Supervisor.
- Mr. Miller presented the Financial Reports.
- Mr. Miller presented the Capital Renewal Plan Update.
- Mr. Miller gave an update on Maintenance and Operations.
- Dr. Garcia presented the student enrollment.

## **ADJOURN**

There being no other business, President Drew Peterson adjourned the meeting at 7:41 PM.

Approve:	 
Attest:	