

## Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 27, 2025 6:30 PM

Dalton L. James Administration Board Room, 200 E. Belt Line Rd., DeSoto, TX 75115

### 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

**Discussion:** The meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM by President Chasiti McKissic.

### 2. BOARD ORGANIZATION, OPERATIONS AND RECOGNITION

**Discussion:** Trustees in attendance: Trustee Abe Cooper, Trustee Traci McNairy, Trustee Cynthia Watson - Banks, Trustee Chasiti McKissic, Trustee James Durham, Trustee Eboni Mitchell

#### 2.A. Welcome, Invocation, Pledges, District Mission Statement and Emergency Statement, Establish Quorum

**Invocation:** Rev. Millie De Jesus, Lead Pastor, Victory Hill Church

#### 2.B. Teacher Incentive Allotment Presentation

**Presenter:** Sonja Batiste, Data Strategist

#### 2.C. Recognition of 1st Cohort of Cybersecurity Pathway Students

**Discussion:** 6:55 PM - 7:03 PM

**Presenter:** Melinda Pugh, CTE Director

#### 2.D. Recognition of Every Drop Counts- Contest Winner Presentation

**Discussion:** 7:03 PM - 7:06 PM

**Presenter:** Stephanie McCloud, Chief Academic Officer

#### 2.E. Recognition DeSoto High School Boys Track Team 6A Regional Champions

**Discussion:** 7:06 PM - 7:11 PM

**Presenter:** Claude Mathis, Athletics Director

#### 2.F. Recognition Girls Flag Football District Champions

**Discussion:** 7:11 PM - 7:17 PM

**Presenter:** Claude Mathis, Athletics Director

### 3. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

**Discussion:** The Board went to Closed Session at 7:20 PM and returned at 8:26 PM

#### 3.A. Texas Government Code Chapter §551.071 (Legal advice with school attorney)

##### 3.A.1. Discussion regarding *Student v. DeSoto ISD; Docket No 299-SE-0525*

#### 3.B. Texas Government Code Chapter §551.074 (Personnel matters)

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

**Discussion:** 8:26 PM - There are no public comments on agenda items.

### 5. INFORMATION (Discussion Only)

#### 5.A. Financial Updates

**Discussion:** 8:26 PM - 8:41 PM

**Presenter:** Michael McSwain, Interim Chief Business Officer

#### 5.B. Draft Budget Presentation

**Discussion:** 8:41 PM - 9:30 PM

**Presenter:** Michael McSwain, Interim Chief Business Officer

**6. CONSENT ITEMS (All items may be acted upon at the same time by Board of Trustees)**

**Discussion:** 9:30 - 9:40 PM

Motion made by Trustee Abe Cooper, Jr. / 2nd by Trustee Traci McNairy / Vote passed 4 /2 (and 1 abstained (Trustee Karen Lacy)

2 No / Trustee Eboni Mitchell and Trustee James Durham

6.A. Consideration and Possible Approval of the LASO Instructional Leadership Grant **Presenter:** Elizabeth Bostic, Budget & Grants Manager

6.B. Consideration and Possible Approval of Curriculum Associates - iReady **Presenter:** Stephanie McCloud, Chief Academic Officer

6.C. Consideration and Possible Approval of McGraw Hill Social Studies Grades 9-12 for the 2025 - 2026 School Year **Presenter:** Stephanie McCloud, Chief Academic Officer

6.D. Consideration and Possible Approval of SAVAAS Social Studies K - 5 for the 2025-2026 School Year **Presenter:** Stephanie McCloud, Chief Academic Officer

6.E. Consideration and Possible Approval of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Social Studies **Presenter:** Stephanie McCloud, Chief Academic Officer

6.F. Consideration and Possible Approval of McGraw Hill Science Grades K - 5 for the 2025-2026 School Year **Presenter:** Stephanie McCloud, Chief Academic Officer

6.G. Consideration and Possible Approval of McGraw Hill Math Grades 6 - Algebra I - Texas Math Courses 1, 2 and 3 **Presenter:** Stephanie McCloud, Chief Academic Officer

6.H. Consideration and Possible Approval of STEMscopes Science Accelerate Learning Grades 6 - Physics for 2025-2026 School Year **Presenter:** Stephanie McCloud, Chief Academic Officer

6.I. Consideration and Possible Approval for McGraw Hill ALEKS Math Grades 6-12 for the 2025-2026 School Year **Presenter:** Stephanie McCloud, Chief Academic Officer

6.J. Consideration and Possible Approval of Bedford, Freeman, & Worth AP Social Studies (Grades 9-12) for the 2025 -2026 School Year **Presenter:** Stephanie McCloud, Chief Academic Officer

6.K. Consideration and Possible Approval for Additional Funds for Instructional Material for Dual Credit Program **Presenter:** Stephanie McCloud, Chief Academic Officer

6.L. Possible Consideration and Approval of Edgenuity - Imagine Learning **Presenter:** Stephanie McCloud, Chief Academic Officer

6.M. Consideration and Possible Approval of CCMR Educational Products and Services Vendor List **Presenter:** Stephanie McCloud, Chief Academic Officer

6.N. Consideration and Possible Approval of FSMC (Whitsons) Contract Renewal for 2025 - 2026 School Year **Presenter:** Gene Morrow, Executive Director of Student Support Services

6.O. Consideration and Possible Approval of Policy Update 124( Second Read) includes changes to Local Policies: CAA, CDA, CY, DH, EHB, EHBB, FFG, AND GKA **Presenter:** Karen Lacy, Trustee

6.P. Consideration and Possible Approval of Board Meeting Minutes **Presenter:** Chasiti McKissic, Board

**7. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS (Action Requested)**

7.A. Consideration and Possible Approval of Budget Amendment # 21 and # 22  
**Discussion:** Motion made by Trustee Abe Cooper Jr. / 2nd by Trustee Eboni Mitchell / Trustee  
 A decision was made to table and follow up in June. Motion to table was made by Trustee Karen Lacy / 2nd by Banks  
 Vote passed 7/0

**Presenter:** Michael McSwain, Interim Chief Business Officer

7.B. Consideration and Possible Approval of Recommendation School Campus Principals for:  
 Frank D. Moates Elementary  
 Katherine Johnson Technology Magnet Academy  
 West Middle School  
**Discussion:** Motion Made by Trustee Karen Lacy / 2nd by Trustee Abe Cooper Jr.

**Presenter:** Lawrence Davis, Director of Human Capital Management

Trustee James Durham asked to vote for each recommendation individually as opposed to a group. Trustee Karen Lacy rescinded her original motion. / 2nd by Trustee James Durham  
 Motion was made by Trustee Karen Lacy to vote on each recommendation individually. The motion was 2nd by Trustee Cynthia Watson Banks

Frank D. Motes - Administration David Parraham - Vote passed 6/1  
 Katherine Johnson Technology Magnet Academy - Yolanda Hanspard - Vote passed 7/0  
 West Middle School - Brittany Strickland - Vote passed 7/0

7.C. Leadership TASB Nomination or Representative  
**Discussion:** 9:44 PM - 9:46 PM  
 Motion by Trustee James Durham to remove item 7.C from the agenda / 2nd by Trustee Abe Cooper Jr.  
 Vote passed 7/0

**Presenter:** Chasiti McKissic, Board President

7.D. Discussion and Action on Election of Board Officers  
**Discussion:** 9:46 PM - 9:58 PM  
 Board President:  
 Trustee James Durham nominated Trustee Chasiti McKissic  
 There were no other nominations.  
 Motion made by Trustee James Durham / 2nd by Trustee Abe Cooper Jr.  
 Vote passed 7/0

**Presenter:** Chasiti McKissic, Board President

Vice President:  
 Trustee Eboni Mitchell nominated Trustee James Durham / Trustee Karen Lacy nominated Trustee Traci McNairy  
 Trustee Traci McNairy declined the nomination.  
 There were no other nominations.

Vote passed 6/1

Secretary:

Trustee Cynthia Watson Banks nominated herself for the Secretary position. There were no other nominations.

Vote passed 7/0

**8. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON AGENDA ITEMS**

**Discussion:** 10:00 PM

There were no public comments on Non-Agenda Items.

**9. ADJOURN**

**Discussion:** Motion made my Trustee James Durham /  
2nd made by Trustee Abe Cooper Jr.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 PM

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Board Secretary