

Minutes of Regular Meeting November 12, 2024

Hays CISD Board of Trustees

These minutes are a record of the actions taken by the Hays CISD Board of Trustees in the meeting held on the above date. The complete video of the meeting is accessible at www.hayscisid.net for those who wish to hear the specific details of the discussions on the agenda topics presented.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Hays CISD was held on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 beginning at 5:30 PM in the Merideth Keller Board Room at the Hays CISD Academic Support Center, located at 21003 Interstate 35, Kyle, TX 78640.

CALL TO ORDER: Establish a quorum

Board President Raul Vela called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. All members of the Board were present.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:30 PM to deliberate regarding safety and security, including security personnel, systems, infrastructure, and/or devices, pursuant to Tx. Gov't Code Section 551.076, to deliberate regarding the Superintendent's recommendations for employment, resignations, extended leave, and other personnel matters pursuant to Tx. Gov't Code Section 551.071, and to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property pursuant to Tx. Gov't Code Section 551.072.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Board Vice President Raul Vela called the Board back to order to reconvene in open session at 6:40 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES AND TEXAS FLAGS

Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the US and Texas flags.

MISSION STATEMENT

Board Vice President Byron Severance read the Hays CISD Board of Trustees Mission Statement.

SOCIAL CONTRACT

Trustee Courtney Runkle read the Hays CISD Board of Trustees Social Contract.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Dr. Eric Wright addressed the Board to present photos of recent and upcoming events in Hays CISD, speaking to each of the following: Hays String Fest, Hays Heat Bowling, Johnson HS Football playoffs, Johnson HS Volleyball playoffs, Hays HS Band State Marching competition, Lehman HS Mariachi Festival, Customer Service Summit, and Veteran's Day ceremonies. Dr. Wright responded to feedback from Board President Raul Vela.

Public Forum #2 – Attendance Zone Maps

There was no one present from the public wishing to address the Board of Trustees.

PUBLIC FORUM

There was no one present from the public wishing to address the Board of Trustees.

DEMOGRAPHICS REPORT

Report of Hays CISD Demographics – Population and Survey Analysts. Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer, introduced Kris Pool and Justin Silhavy of PASA. Ms. Pool and Mr. Silhavy presented slides to the Board of Trustees and responded to feedback and questions from Trustee Geoff Seibel, Board Vice

President Byron Severance, Trustee Johnny Flores, Board President Raul Vela, and Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea. Dr. Eric Wright, Superintendent, also responded to questions and feedback.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT REPORT – Preliminary Teacher Incentive Allotment Data

Christina Courson, Chief Human Resources Officer, introduced Mary Torres, Assistant Director of Human Resources. Ms. Torres presented slides to the Board of Trustees and engaged in conversation based on feedback and questions from Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea, Trustee Johnny Flores, Trustee Geoff Seibel, Board Vice President Byron Severance, Trustee Esperanza Orosco, and Board President Raul Vela.

CAMPUS RECOGNITION – Fuentes Elementary School

This presentation is scheduled for November 18, 2024.

ATTENDANCE ZONE MAPS – Continued Development of Draft Attendance Zone Maps

This presentation is scheduled for November 18, 2024.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board President Raul Vela introduced this agenda item. There were no consent agenda items requested for discussion.

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There were no questions from the Board of Trustees regarding this agenda item.

Procurements

There were no questions from the Board of Trustees regarding this agenda item

Consideration and possible approval of the Annual Renewal of Assessment, Data Management, and Professional Development Platform – Eduphoria: There were no questions from the Board of Trustees regarding this agenda item.

Consideration and possible approval of the procurement of GPS Products, Services, and Hardware – Samasara: There were no questions from the Board of Trustees regarding this agenda item.

Budget Amendments

There were no questions from the Board of Trustees regarding this agenda item.

ACTION ITEMS

Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of Security Fencing and Associated Installation Services – Encore Fence

Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer, was available for questions. There were no questions from the Board of Trustees regarding this agenda item.

Consideration and possible approval of the Campus Improvement Plans Containing Performance Objectives and Strategies

Marivel Sedillo, Deputy Superintendent / Chief Academic Officer, and Stephanie Norris, Director of Grants and Federal Programs responded to questions and feedback from Trustee Courtney Runkle.

Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of Unique Learning Systems Curriculum

Marivel Sedillo, Deputy Superintendent / Chief Academic Officer, introduced Michelle Velasquez, Executive Officer of Special Education who clarified the need for this agenda item based on questions and feedback from the Board.

Consideration and possible approval of Phase I of Audio Sound Systems / AV Repairs – Various Vendors
Alan Duerr, Chief Technology Officer, introduced James Rodriguez, System Security Administrator, who presented slides to the Board of Trustees. He and Mr. Duerr responded to questions and feedback from Trustee Geoff Seibel, Trustee Esperanza Orosco, Board Vice President Byron

Severance, Trustee Johnny Flores, Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea, Trustee Courtney Runkle, and Board President Raul Vela.

The Board paused for a short break from the dais, returning at 8:49PM.

Consideration and possible approval of the Facilities and Bond Oversight Committee recommendation regarding a potential may 2025 Bond Election.

Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer, and Jessica Bedwell, FBOC Chair, spoke to address the Board of Trustees. The pair indicated that there is an FBOC meeting planned for the evening of November 13, 2024. Additional information, based on the outcome of the November 13th meeting, will be provided to the Board for review prior to the November 18, 2024 Board meeting. Both Mr. Cleaver, Ms. Bedwell, and Tim Savoy, Chief Communication Officer, responded to question and feedback from the Trustee Geoff Seibel, Board Vice President Byron Severance, and Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea. Cassandra Behr, Director of Transportation, responded to questions from the Board as well.

Consideration and possible grant of a Utility Easement for Pedernales Electric Cooperative at Ramage Elementary School

Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer, addressed the Board to provide a general overview and concept of the ask. There were no questions from the Board of Trustees.

Consideration and possible approval of the 2023-2024 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

Randy Rau, Chief Financial Officer, addressed the Board regarding this agenda item. There were no questions from the Board of Trustees.

Consideration and possible vote to elect Directors of the Hays Central Appraisal District

Dr. Eric Wright, Superintendent, provided a summary of the process. There were no questions from the Board of Trustees.

INFORMATION ITEM

Update on District Safety & Security Initiatives

There was no update necessary. Trustee Courtney Runkle addressed the group regarding the recent election of Sheriff Anthony Hipolito with no further comment.

Update regarding Staffing of the Hays CISD Special Education Department

Christina Courson, Chief Human Resources Officer, addressed the Board of Trustees and presented slides. She engaged in conversation with the Board based on feedback and questions from Board Vice President Byron Severance, Trustee Johnny Flores, Board Secretary Vanessa Petrea, and Board President Raul Vela.

Update on District Bond, Construction, and Renovation Projects

There was no update necessary. Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer, responded to questions and comments from Board Vice President Byron Severance regarding security fencing/bollards/stones potentially placed along a new roadway adjacent to the PAC.

Financial Statements

This information will be presented at the November 18, 2024 Board meeting.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

Trustee Esperanza Orosco requested an update on the cell tower construction at Barton Middle School.

RECAP OF QUESTIONS

There was no recap of questions from the Board of Trustees.

ADJOURN

Board President Raul Vela announced that the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 18, 2024 at 5:30 PM. No further business was conducted, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:24 PM.