

Regular Meeting

Thursday, January 16, 2025, 5:30 PM

Board Room at the Education Center, 2602 South Belt Line Road, Grand Prairie, Texas 75052

1. 5:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER

Board President Amber Moffitt called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. Other trustees present were Gloria Carrillo, Terry Brooks, Nancy Bridges, Emily Liles, David Espinosa, and Bryan Parra.

2. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

A. Personnel Matters (§ 551.074)

Appointments, Discipline, Dismissals, Duties, Employment, Employment Contracts, Evaluations, Extensions, Leaves of Absence, Nonrenewals, Proposals for Nonrenewals, Renewals, Reassignments, Retirements, Job Abandonment, Terminations, Proposed Terminations, Requests for Leave of Absence, Requests for Extended Leave Without Pay, Proposed Suspension Without Pay, Resignations, and Settlements, for Superintendent, Administrators, Principals, Teachers and/or other employees.

1. Termination of Probationary Contract During the Term of the Contract

B. Deliberation Regarding Real Property (§ 551.072).

1. District Facilities and Properties

C. School Children; School District Employees; Disciplinary Matter or Complaint (§ 551.082).

D. Consultation with Attorney (§ 551.071)

Consultation with the attorney with respect to pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, and matters where the attorney's duty to the district, pursuant to the code of professional responsibility of the State Bar of Texas, clearly conflicts with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, or on a matter which the attorney determines should be confidential, including, but not limited to, contract negotiations in accordance with the Texas Government Code §§ 551.071, 551.082, 551.0821, 551.087.

1. Legal issues related to employment of Superintendent, including Cause No. DC 24-18108 and Dkt. 067-LH-12-2024

E. Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits (§§ 551.076; .089).

The deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices; or a security audit.

1. Intruder Detection Audit.

3. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in open session at 7:23 p.m.

4. INVOCATION

5. PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG AND TEXAS FLAG

6. RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

Sam Buchmeyer, Public Information Officer

A. School Board Recognition Month

- B. National Merit Scholars
 - C. Students of Character
7. **OPEN FORUM FOR AGENDA ITEMS**
No one addressed the Board during Open Forum for Agenda Items.
8. **ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION**
No action taken.
9. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**
Ms. Liles made the motion that the consent agenda be approved as presented. Mr. Parra seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.
- A. Minutes
 - 1. Minutes 12.2.24
 - 2. Minutes 12.12.24
 - B. Personnel: Routine Action
 - 1. Employment, Retirement(s), Termination(s)/Proposed Termination(s), Proposed Nonrenewal(s), Request(s) for Leave of Absence, Request(s) for Extended Leave Without Pay, Resignation(s), Reassignment(s), Request(s) for Temporary Disability, Job Abandonment, Proposed Extension of Probationary Contract(s), Proposed Suspension Without Pay, Administrator Contract Recommendations, Non-Administrator Contract Recommendations
 - 2. Personnel Report
 - a. Personnel Report
 - C. Regular Reports of the Superintendent
 Tracy Ray, Deputy Superintendent of Business Operations
 - 1. Contract Listing
 - 2. Property Tax Collection Report
 - a. Tax Report
 - 3. Revenue and Expenditure
 - a. Revenue and Expenditure
 - b. Revenue and Expenditure - \$16 Million Donation
 - c. Revenue and Expenditure - Capital Funds Project
 - 4. Budget Transfers and Amendments
 - a. Budget Transfers and Amendments - General Fund #5
 - D. Quarterly Reports
 - E. Waiver for Missed School Days
 Dr. Melissa Steger, Chief Data and Information Systems Officer
10. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ACTION AGENDA ITEMS**
- A. HVAC at Grand Prairie High School Tower
 Joel Falcon, Chief of Operations
 - B. Mr. Brooks made the motion to approve the HVAC at Grand Prairie High School Tower as presented. Mr. Parra seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.**
 - C. Campus Kitchen Equipment Replacement
 Joel Falcon, Chief of Operations
Ms. Liles made the motion to approve the Campus Kitchen Equipment Replacement as presented. Mr. Parra seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

- D. Elementary Shade Structures
Joel Falcon, Chief of Operations
Ms. Carrillo made the motion to approve the Elementary Shade Structures as presented. Mr. Parra seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.
- E. Order of Election
Debbie Torres, Director of Purchasing/Elections Coordinator
Mr. Brooks made the motion to approve the Order of Election as presented. Ms. Liles seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.
- F. Resolution to Pay during Emergency Weather Closure
Tracy Ray, Acting Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Parra made the motion to approve the Resolution to Pay during Emergency Weather Closure as presented. Ms. Carrillo seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.
- G. Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2024
Tracy Ray, Deputy Superintendent of Business Operations
Mr. Parra made the motion to approve the Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2024, as presented. Ms. Carrillo seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.
- 11. **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**
 - A. Targeted Improvement Plans
Traci Davis, Associate Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, School Leadership and Innovation, and Susanna Ramirez, Associate Superintendent of Early Learning and Family Engagement
 - B. Replacement of Underground Fuel Storage Tanks at Gentry Long Service Center
Joel Falcon, Chief of Operations
 - C. Local Policy Update
Dr. Melissa Kates, General Counsel
- 12. **OPEN FORUM FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS**
Gracie Cortez
Daniel Becerra
Claudia Flores
Araceli Mercado
- 13. **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**
- 14. **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**
The Board reconvened in open session at 9:43 p.m.
- 15. **COMMENTS FROM INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS AND SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE**
 - A. Board of Trustees' expressions of thanks, congratulations, and condolences.
- 16. **ADJOURNMENT**
President Moffitt adjourned the meeting at 9:55 p.m.

Approved: February 13, 2025

President, Board of Education

Attest: _____
Secretary, Board of Education