

# Minutes of Regular Meeting, December 16, 2024

## The Board of Trustees Grapevine-Colleyville ISD

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A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Grapevine-Colleyville ISD was held December 16, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at the Administration Building, 3051 Ira E. Woods Ave., Grapevine, TX 76051.

### **I. OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER**

### **II. REGULAR SESSION**

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

GCISD Trustees Present: Shannon Braun, Dalia Begin, Kathy Florence Spradley, Tammy Nakamura, A.J. Pontillo, Dianna Sager, and Mary Humphrey.

GCISD Trustees absent: none.

School Officials Present: Dr. Brad Schnautz, Paula Barbaroux, Dr. Shiela Shiver, Kyle Berger, Dr. Holly Ray, Derick Sibley, and Kelly Mires.

### **III. MOMENT OF SILENCE & PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE**

Dr. Schnautz led the pledges to the U.S. and Texas flags.

### **IV. RECOGNITIONS**

The Colleyville Heritage High School Choir performed holiday songs.

Trustees recognized the three districtwide winners of the 2024 Holiday Greeting Card Art Contest. This year's winners were Kanoelani Parker from Colleyville Elementary School, Addison Wooddell from Colleyville Middle School, and Ashly Akrache from Grapevine High School.

Trustees recognized Piyush Mallick for achieving a perfect score of 26 on the ACT.

Trustees recognized Sophia Thompson who is the UIL 5A Congress State Qualifier. She placed fourth place in the regions debate competition.

Trustees recognized Coach Josh McKinney who was named the National Federation of State High School Associations' 2023 Volleyball State Coach of the Year

### **V. MUNICIPAL MINUTE**

Colleyville City Councilmember Mark Alfonso shared updates on the City of Colleyville including the Rec Center, field trip opportunities, and Heroes Park.

**VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Trustee Tammy Nakamura congratulated CHHS Volleyball player Suli Davis on being named the 2024 411VBALL.com DFW Offensive Player of the Year by GM Sports Media.

Trustee Dianna Sager reminded everyone of early release on Friday and return to school dates in January.

Trustee Kathy Spradley encouraged people to sign up on the District's website for the spring semester class for Leadership GCISD.

President Shannon Braun shared information about our CTE partnership with Bell Helicopter.

Superintendent Dr. Brad Schnautz thanked staff, volunteers, students, and partnerships with the City of Grapevine and the Grapevine Chamber of Commerce for another fun Parade of Lights.

Trustee Mary Humphrey shared information regarding the 8th grade AVID shadow day that took place last week.

Trustee Dalia Begin shared that GCISD's Aero 404 team won the Exemplary Team Award at the national Advanced Vertical Robotics Championship.

Trustee A.J. Pontillo shared that last week the Grapevine-Colleyville Education Foundation surprised 28 GCISD educators with Star Teaching Grants equaling \$43,427. He also praised the GHS Theatre group for competing in the 2024 Texas Thespian state festival.

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board adjourned to closed or executive session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 from 6:03 – 7:08 p.m.

*551.071: Private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law*

**VIII. OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened in open session at 7:13 p.m.

**IX. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individual addressed the Board of Trustees during public comment.  
Hilarie Benedetto.

**X. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Shannon Braun shared holiday wishes to everyone on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

## **XI. REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

### **A. GCISD Balanced Scorecard Priority Report on Key Strategic Actions 1.1.1**

This month's update was on Priority 1: Student Achievement and Post Secondary Preparedness; Performance Objective 1: Academic Growth and Development; Key Strategic Action 1: Implement the comprehensive curriculum management plan with fidelity providing a clear direction that details systematic, on-going program of curriculum development, implementation, assessment, and evaluation.

Brooke Schuster provided an update on the progress of the science adoption and implementation. She highlighted changes related to the TEKS, curriculum, and instructional materials. She shared the multiple ways the Science department is collecting feedback and offering support and shared needs that have been identified and solutions. Questions and comments took place.

### **B. Act on Recommendation for the Executive Director of Special Services**

The recommendation is for the Board of Trustees to approve Lindsey Fuentes as the Executive Director of Special Services.

This motion, made by Tammy Nakamura and seconded by Kathy Florence Spradley, passed 7-0.

Dr. Schnautz introduced Lindsey Fuentes. Mrs. Fuentes said a few words.

**C. Discuss and consider adoption of an Order Authorizing the Issuance of Grapevine-Colleyville Independent School District Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2025; Appointing a Pricing Officer and Delegating to the Pricing Officer the Authority to approve on behalf of the District the Sale of the Bonds; the terms of the Bonds and the Offering Documents for the Bonds; Establishing Certain Parameters for the Approval of such matters by the Pricing Officer; Approving the use of a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement; Levying an Annual Ad Valorem Tax for the Payment of the Bonds; and Enacting other Provisions relating to the Subject**

Josh McLaughlin from BOK Financial Securities shared financial planning information related to the District's 2024 bonds. He highlighted money saved, shared historical tax rates, and the structure of the District's Bonds. He provided a Municipal Market Overview of interest rates. He also reviewed the goals of the finance plan for the 2024 Bond Program and shared the preliminary financing plan. He reviewed first sale information, a summary of projected results, and gave an overview of the parameters bond order - Series 2025 Bond Sale.

Move for the Board of Trustees to approve the Order authorizing the issuance and sale of \$59,235,000 in bonds.

This motion, made by A.J. Pontillo and seconded by Kathy Florence Spradley, passed 7-0.

**D. Act on Professional Services Agreement with Universal Engineering Services (UES Professional Solution 44, LLC) for Geotechnical Engineering & Materials Testing Services**

Paula Barbaroux explained the need for the agreement.

Move for the Board of Trustees to approve Universal Engineering Services, and the contract for Professional Services, to provide geotechnical engineering and materials testing services for the GCISD Bond Program.

This motion, made by Mary Humphrey and seconded by Tammy Nakamura, passed 7-0.

E. Act to Appropriate Undesignated TxDOT Funds for Shades

Paula Barbaroux provided a brief history of the TxDOT funds.

Move for the Board of Trustees to appropriate \$9,745 of undesignated TxDOT funds for shades to be installed in the foyer of the administration building.

This motion was made by Tammy Nakamura and seconded by Mary Humphrey.

Questions and comments took place.

Motion passed 7-0.

F. Act to Appropriate Undesignated 2016 Bond Funds for Architect, Engineering and Consulting Fees

Paula Barbaroux explained the need for funds to be appropriated.

Move for the Board of Trustees to appropriate \$2,037,083 of undesignated funds in the 2016 Bond to address the categories identified in the recommendation.

This motion was made by A.J. Pontillo and seconded by Dianna Sager.

Questions took place.

Motion passed 7-0.

G. Act on Donation of Funds to Install a French Drain, Turf and Activity Structures at Glenhope Elementary School

Move for the Board of Trustees to accept the donation of \$22,125 from Glenhope PTA to cover the cost of a French drain, turf, and activity structures.

This motion, made by Kathy Florence Spradley and seconded by Tammy Nakamura, passed 7-0.

H. Act on Donation of Funds to Offset Owed Meal Balances in Support of Students and Families

Move for the Board of Trustees to accept the donation of \$10,000 to cover unpaid student meal balances.

This motion, made by Kathy Florence Spradley and seconded by Dianna Sager.

Comments took place.

Motion passed 7-0.

I. Course Selection Guide - Updates for 2025-2026

Dr. Elena Guerrero provided a summary of the Course Selection Guide process. She shared information on the recommended course additions, revisions, and deletions.

Questions and comments took place.

J. 2025-2026 School Year Budget Planning Calendar

Derick Sibley presented the 2025-2026 School Year Budget Planning Calendar.

K. Review Board Planning Calendar

Dr. Schnautz presented the Board Planning Calendar.

L. Requests for Reports to the Board

No reports were requested.

**XII. CONSENT AGENDA FOR APPROVAL**

Move for the Board of Trustees to approve the consent agenda.

This motion, made by Tammy Nakamura and seconded by Mary Humphrey, passed 7-0.

A. Approved Previous Board Minutes: Regular Meeting, November 18, 2024

B. Approved Personnel Report: December 16, 2024

C. Approved Financial Reports: November 2024

D. Approved Construction Report: November 2024

E. Approved Tax Collection Report: November 2024

F. Approved Budget Amendments: December 2024

G. Approved Bid: General Services and Supplies

H. Approved Bid: Technology Related Equipment, Software and Services

I. Approved Math Instructional Materials Adoption Committee

J. Changed Bond Appropriation for Athletic Department

K. Reviewed Policies FFG(LEGAL) and FFG(LOCAL) Student Welfare: Child Abuse and Neglect

**XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E.

No additional executive session was needed.

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

Move for the Board of Trustees to adjourn the meeting.

This motion, made by A.J. Pontillo and seconded by Kathy Florence Spradley, passed 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

The term Approval in the wording of any Agenda item contained herein serves as notice that the Board may, in its discretion, dispose of any items by any action in the following non-exclusive list: amendment, approval, disapproval, deferral, table, take no action, or receive and file.

*Individuals with disabilities are entitled to have access to and participate in public meetings. An individual requiring an accommodation for access to the meeting must notify the Grapevine-Colleyville Independent School District by informing the Director of Facility Services, in writing 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting, of the necessity of an accommodation. Upon receipt of this request, the District will furnish appropriate auxiliary aids and services when necessary to afford an individual with a disability an equal opportunity to participate in and enjoy the benefits of the Board meeting as non-disabled individuals enjoy.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Approved,

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Stephanie Heppenstall, Board Clerk

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Shannon Braun, Board President

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Kathy Florence-Spradley, Secretary