

**MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
CLEAR CREEK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
JULY 28, 2025**

The Board of Trustees for the Clear Creek Independent School District met in a regular meeting in the Board Room at the Education Support Center, 2425 E. Main Street, League City, Texas 77573, on July 28, 2025.

1. *Call to Order*

President Cottrell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. *Establishment of a Quorum*

President Cottrell established a quorum.

Trustees present: Jonathan Cottrell, President
 Jessica Cejka, Vice President
 Jeffrey Larson, Secretary
 Jay Cunningham, Trustee - ABSENT
 Arturo Sanchez, Trustee
 Jamieson Mackay, Trustee
 Rebecca Lilley, Trustee

Staff present: Karen Engle, Superintendent
 Members of the Superintendent's Cabinet

3. *Closed Session*

President Cottrell called the meeting into closed session at 6:01 p.m.

President Cottrell reconvened the meeting into open session at 6:51 p.m.

4. *Pledge of Allegiance, Texas Pledge, Moment of Silence, and District Mission Statement*

Ms. Stephanie Cooper, PTA Principal of the Year, led the Board and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Texas Pledge. Dr. Engle led the Board and the audience in a moment of silence. Ms. Cooper also assisted Dr. Engle with the District Mission, Vision, Core Values and Value Statement.

5. *Recognitions*

A. *PTA Principal of the Year*

Congratulations to Ms. Stephanie Cooper, Principal of Westbrook Intermediate. She has been named the Secondary Principal of the Year by the TEXAS PTA for her leadership and the level of parent engagement she inspires at Westbrook. Candance McCormack with the Westbrook PTA nominated Ms. Cooper and said a few words on behalf of the Westbrook PTA.

6. *District Update*

Dr. Karen Engle, Superintendent of Schools, presented the Board of Trustees with a District Update regarding the 2025 – 2026 School Year Preparations.

7. *Community Input*

The following members of the Community addressed the Board during the community input portion of the meeting:

- Mr. Thomas Davis – TASB Mythology – (1 minute)

8. *Action on Closed Session Items*

1. *Consider Approval of Recommendation for Director of Transportation*

Trustee Sanchez moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation and name Ms. Tammy Pickett as Director of Transportation. The motion passed unanimously.

9. *Action*

A. *Consent Agenda*

Trustee Sanchez moved to accept the consent agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

1. Consider Approval of Board Meeting Minutes
2. Consider Nomination for the Board of Directors of the Texas Association of School Boards.
3. Consider Approval of 2025-2026 District Goals
4. Consider Approval of Monthly Human Resources Board Report
5. Consider Approval of 2025-26 CCISD Health Insurance Premium Contributions
6. Consider Approval of Budget Amendment #2
7. Consider Approval of Monthly Financial Statement
8. Consider Approval of Acceptance of the 2024 - 2025 Certification of Excess Debt Collections and the 2025 -2026 Certification of the Anticipated Debt Collection Rate
9. Consider Acceptance of Donations
10. Consider Approval of Qualified Investment Firms
11. Consider Approval of the Quarterly Investment Report
12. Consider Approval of the 2024 Tax Collection Report
13. Consider Approval of Tax Refunds Exceeding \$500
14. Consider Approval of the Use of Capital Projects Funds for School Safety Related Projects
15. Consider Approval of Increase of Expenditures with ILA-Buyboard Vendor Goodheart-Willcox Publisher
16. Consider Approval of Expenditures with ILA-OMNIA Vendor Axon Enterprise, Inc.
17. Consider Approval of Expenditures with ILA-TIPS Vendor Newsela, Inc.
18. Consider Approval of CCISD's Optional Flexible School Day Program - Clear Harbor
19. Consider Approval of the Agreement between Clear Creek ISD and Friendswood ISD to provide a Disciplinary Alternative Education Program (DAEP), located at Clear Path Alternative School
20. Consider Approval of the Galveston County Adjunct Faculty Agreement/ Resolution Regarding Extracurricular Status of 4-H
21. Consider Approval of the Galveston County Juvenile Probation Board Interlocal Cooperation Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding for the Provision of

Education Services for the Transforming Lives Cooperative (TLC) Day Program for the 2025-2026 School Year

22. Consider Approval of Agreement with Spectrum Support Services, LLC. dba Providence Treatment Center to Provide Special Education Contracted Services for School Year 2025-2026.
23. Consider Approval of Agreement with Luis Valdes, Ph. D., dba River Oaks Tutor Lab, Inc./River Oaks Academy to Provide Special Education Contracted Services for School year 2025-2026
24. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2020.501 Student Information System
25. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2021.408 with Lincoln Financial for Life Insurance and Madison National Life (Ochs) for Disability Insurance for District Employees
26. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2022.500 Naviance Platform
27. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2023.405 Group Dental Insurance with Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company for Dental Insurance
28. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2023.604 Promotional, Awards, and Recognition Merchandise
29. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2023.802 Fast Food Chicken Products
30. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2024.504 eStar Special Education Management Software
31. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2024.802 General Foods and Full-Service Distribution
32. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2024.805 Kitchen Cleaning Chemicals
33. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2024.808 Deli Sandwiches
34. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2024.820 Desserts for High School Campuses
35. Consider Approval of the 2025-2026 Student Code of Conduct
36. Consider Approval of TASB Local Policy Update 125 - FIRST READING

B. Consider Scheduling a Public Hearing to Discuss 2025 – 2026 Budget and 2025 Proposed Tax Rate

Ms. Alice Benzaia, Chief Financial Officer, presented the information to the Board. Vice President Cejka moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation and schedule a public hearing to be held on Monday, August 25, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the budget and proposed tax rate.

C. Consider Approval of 2025 – 2026 District Compensation Plan

Dr. Robert Branch, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, presented the plan to the Board. Members of the Board made comments and had questions. Dr. Branch answered the questions. Trustee Mackay moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation and approve the 2025 – 2026 District Compensation Plan as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Consideration and Approval of EFB(LOCAL) Instructional Resources – Library Materials – FIRST AND ONLY READING

Ms. Leila Sarmecanic, Legal Counsel, and Ms. Suzie Ferrell, Director of Library & Media Services, presented the information to the Board. Members of the Board made comments and had questions. Ms. Ferrell answered the questions. Vice President Cejka moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation and accept the first and

only reading of EFB(LOCAL) Instructional Resources – Library Materials. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Consideration and Approval of FD(LOCAL) Admissions – FIRST AND ONLY READING

Ms. Leila Sarmecanic, Legal Counsel, presented the information to the Board. Members of the Board made comments. Trustee Mackay moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation and accept the first and only reading of FD(LOCAL) Admissions. The motion passed unanimously.

F. Consideration and Approval of FNCE(LOCAL) Student Conduct – Personal Telecommunications/Electronic Devices – FIRST AND ONLY READING

Ms. Leila Sarmecanic, Legal Counsel, and Mr. Franklin Moses, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education, presented the information to the Board. Members of the Board made comments and had questions. Mr. Moses answered the questions. Vice President Cejka moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation and accept the first and only reading of FNCE(LOCAL) Student Conduct – Personal Telecommunications/Electronic Devices. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Adjournment

President Cottrell adjourned the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Jonathan Cottrell, Board President

Jeffrey Larson, Board Secretary

Date Approved: _____

Minutes prepared by Greta McMahon