

**MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
CLEAR CREEK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
DECEMBER 16, 2024**

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 December 16, 2024.

1. *Call to Order*

President Sanchez called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. *Establishment of a Quorum*

President Sanchez established a quorum.

Trustees present: Arturo Sanchez, President
Jonathan Cottrell, Vice President
Jay Cunningham, Secretary
Scott Bowen, Trustee
Jessica Cejka, Trustee
Jeff Larson, Trustee
Jamieson Mackay, Trustee

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

3. *Closed Session*

President Sanchez called the meeting into closed session at 6:02 p.m.

President Sanchez reconvened the meeting into open session at 6:59 p.m.

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

A group of students from Ed White Elementary, each representing a club at the campus, 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. The students assisted Dr. Engle with the District Mission, Vision, Core Values and Value Statement.

5. *Recognitions*

A. *Space Center Intermediate Recertified as Leader in Me Lighthouse School*

Space Center Intermediate School has successfully been recertified as a Leader in Me Lighthouse School. This prestigious recertification reflects the school's commitment to sustainable growth and continuous innovation within the Leader in Me Framework which is the youth adaptation of the Stephen Covey's 7 Habits of Highly Effective People.

The Covey team visited the campus on November 11th and were impressed with the students and staff. They noted that Dr. Thornton and her team demonstrated exemplary progress.

B. CCISD Holiday Card Winners

Twelve CCISD students from around the District have been selected as the 2024 CCISD Holiday Card winners. These students had their artwork published on holiday cards which went out to CCISD staff and partners.

- Chloe Chomiak, Clear Lake High School, Winter Breath
- Addison Gallegos, Clear Creek High School, Joyful Winter
- Linh Dong, Clear Springs High School, The Holiday Harmony
- Kayleigh Herring, Clear Brook High School, Clumsy Reindeer
- Alaina Miller, Victory Lakes Intermediate, Merry & Bright
- Riya Mahesh, League City Intermediate, First Snow
- Olivia Gano, Seabrook Intermediate, Happy Holidays
- Shelena Waas, Westbrook Intermediate, Christmas Carousel
- Elijah Martinez, Gilmore Elementary, Frosty Martinez
- Drew Cazenave, Ward Elementary, Too Cute
- Mary Caroline Gray, Ferguson Elementary, Happy Howlidays
- Olivia Flores, Hyde Elementary, Christmas Land

6. District Update

Dr. Karen Engle, Superintendent of Schools, presented the Board of Trustees with a District Update regarding Galveston County Schools Legislative Form and Holiday Celebrations.

7. Community Input

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

- Tom Davis – Thank You cards to the Teachers (1-minute)
- M. Tyler Gavis – Concerns with Sabero Lane Bus Route

8. Action

A. Consent Agenda

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

1. Consider Approval of Board Meeting Minutes
2. Consider Approval of Monthly Human Resources Board Report
3. Consider Acceptance of Donations
4. Consider Approval of Monthly Financial Statements
5. Consider Approval of 2024 Tax Collection Report
6. Consider Approval of Tax Refunds Exceeding \$500
7. Consider Approval for Behavior Support Staffing
8. Consider Approval of Renewal of Contract 2024.809 Kitchen Parts

9. Consider Approval of Increase in Value of Contract 2022.820 HVAC Equipment, Labor and Supplies
10. Consider Approval of FEA(LOCAL) Attendance - Compulsory Attendance - SECOND READING
11. Consider Approval of GKG(LOCAL) Community Relations - School Volunteer Program - SECOND READING

B. Consider Approval of the 2025-2026 School Year Academic Calendar, Elementary Summer School 2025 Dates, and Designation of Non-business Days in 2025 for Purposes of the Texas Public Information Act

Dr. Susan Silva presented the information to the Board. Members of the Board made comments and asked questions. Dr. Silva answered the questions. Trustee Cejka moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation and approve calendar Draft B for the 2025-2026 academic calendar selection, as shared with the DEIC. Further, it is the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve elementary summer school instructional dates for summer 2025, occurring May 28 - June 18, 2025. Finally, it is recommended that the Board designate the following days in 2025 as nonbusiness days for purposes of the Texas Public Information Act: March 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, November 28, December 22, 23, 29, and 30. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Consider Approval of the Use of Capital Projects Funds for Facility Related Projects

Mr. Alex Aragon, Director of Facility Services, presented the information to the Board. Members of the Board asked questions. Mr. Miller, Assistant Superintendent of Support Services, and Ms. Alice Benzaia, Chief Financial Officer, answered the questions. Secretary Cunningham moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation and approve the use of Capital Projects Funds of \$1,200,000.00 for Facility Related Projects. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Consider Approval of Construction Contract 2025.404 for the Clear Creek High School Central Plant Replacement Project

Mr. Alex Aragon, Director of Facility Services, presented the information to the Board. Members of the Board asked questions. Mr. Aragon answered the questions. Trustee Mackay moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve Construction Contract 2025.404 to Division One Construction in the amount of \$3,358,000.00 for the Clear Creek High School Central Plant Replacement Project. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Consider Approval of FDA(LOCAL) Admissions – Interdistrict Transfers

Dr. Engle made comments regarding the recommended policy changes from the Board. Ms. Leila Sarmecanic, Legal Counsel, presented the information regarding the policy changes to the Board. Members of the Board made comments and had questions. Ms. Sarmecanic and Ms. Benzaia, Chief Financial Officer, answered the questions. After deliberation, Trustee Larson moved to postpone this agenda item to

the February 2025 Board Meeting so that more information can be obtained. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Closed Session

President Sanchez called the meeting into closed session at 8:41 p.m.

President Sanchez reconvened the meeting into open session at 8:58 p.m.

10. Information and Discussion

A. Discussion of Districtwide Intruder Detection Audit Report Findings

Mr. Cameron Munson, Emergency Management Coordinator, presented the findings to the Board. Members of the Board made comments.

11. Adjournment

President Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 8:58 p.m.

Arturo Sanchez, Board President

Jay Cunningham, Board Secretary

Date Approved: _____

Minutes prepared by Greta McMahon

