

Meeting of the Board of Trustees
GOOSE CREEK CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Baytown, Texas

December 9, 2024

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Board of Trustees and the Administrative Staff of the Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District met in a School Board meeting on Monday, December 9, 2024, 6:02 p.m. at the Administration Building with the following Board members present.

PRESENT: Mrs. Helen Berrott-Tims, President; Mrs. Tiffany Guy, Vice President; James “Jim” Campisi, Secretary; Mr. Mercedes Renteria, Assistant Secretary; Mr. Jessie Martinez, Mr. Richard Clem, and Mr. Howard Sampson

ABSENT: None

Mr. Renteria arrived at 6:12 p.m. and Mr. Martinez arrived at 6:50 p.m.

OPENING EXERCISES

The opening exercises for the December 9, 2024, Board of Trustees meeting was presented by students from Victoria Walker Elementary School. Board Member Richard Clem led the prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags was recited by the Wildcat Chorus.

Select students performed the songs called, “Peace in the Night” and “Go in Peace.”

The Victoria Walker Wildcat Student Chorus members were:

Aarav Roychowdhury, Alaiyah Canada, Ameya Ambily, Ashlynn Lester, Aubrey Hart-Craddle, Aubrey Rollo, Brooklyn Kennedy, Chloé Bradley, Debanhi Vela, Elena Pena, Heaven Ruesch, Jaliah Broussard, Jaxon Rodriguez, Jermard Harrison, Jocelyn Poblano, Kyndle Scruggs, Lillie Lochridge, MaKenzie Pittman, Noah Monay, Peyton Gardner, Rayden Espinoza, Sadie Belin, Trinity Ruesch, Víctor Barbosa, Yanitzzy Pulido, Zanna Smith, Zoe E. Ballea

The students were under the direction of Music Teacher Meagan Taylor and Principal Paige Burt.

RECOGNITIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Port of Houston Authority of Harris County, Texas Donation

Director of Education Foundation and Partnerships Anna Espinosa and Robert E. Lee High School Principal Earnest Brooks received a donation from the Port of Houston Authority of Harris County, Texas to support Maritime Education Program in the amount of \$7,500.

ExxonMobil Donation(s)

Career & Technical Education Associate Director Leia Miller received a donation from GCCISD Education Foundation on behalf of ExxonMobil for Robotics Program in the amount of \$15,000.

ExxonMobil also presented a donation to Robert E. Lee Principal Earnest Brooks for the GranderNEER scholarship in the amount of \$5,000.

Covestro Donation

Anna Espinosa, Leia Miller, and Ernest Brooks received a donation for a STEM scholarship in the amount of \$10,000.

District Christmas Card Design Winners

The Board of Trustees and the Fine Arts Director Mr. Lavan acknowledged two winners of the Christmas Card Design. These artists have created exceptional designs that will represent our district on this year's official Christmas cards.

- **Katherine Olivares Pavon**, a 5th-grade student at Jessie Lee Pumphrey Elementary, under the guidance of her teacher, Ms. Sonjia Pelton.
- **Avril Rendon Santos**, a 4th-grade student at Alamo Elementary, under the guidance of her teacher, Ms. Emory Atilano.

PUBLIC HEARING

School FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) 2024 Financial Management Report for School FIRST Rating Public Hearing

Chief Financial Officer Brigitte Clark and Director of Accounting LeAna Dixon presented the School FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) 2024 Financial Management Report.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

The following citizens registered and addressed the Board:

1. Katrina Mericle, possible closing and repurposing of Lamar
2. Tara Cornelius, possible closing and repurposing of Lamar
3. Esteban Garcia, possible closing and repurposing of Lamar
4. Aleyda Suarez, possible closing and repurposing of Lamar
5. Kristen McDowell and Arya McDowell, possible closing and repurposing of Lamar
6. Gonzalo Espinoza, possible closing and repurposing of Lamar
7. Michael Flores, possible closing and repurposing of Lamar
8. Angelica Hernandez, Repurposing Lamar Elementary School
9. Elisa Garcia, Repurposing Lamar Elementary School
10. Marissa Douglas, possible closing and repurposing of Lamar
11. Rick Waltersheid, gratitude for 15 years and a lifetime of memories with GCCISD

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Campisi moved and Mr. Renteria seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 11, 2024, REGULAR BOARD MINUTES AS PRESENTED.** The motion passed with Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mrs. Guy, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Campisi, Mr. Renteria, Mr. Martinez, and Mr. Clem voting for motion.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Superintendent's Reports

1. Goose Creek CISD Education Foundation
Goose Creek Education Foundation Director Dr. Anna Espinosa and Executive Committee President Elect Adelina Gomez-Abshire presented the annual report.
2. Safe & Secure Schools & GCCISD Police and Security Report
Assistant Superintendent Operations Services Dr. Price, Chief of Police Stewart Russell, and Director of Safe & Secure Schools Dr. Tricia Times, and Assistant Chief of Police Patrick Arnett presented the Safe and Secure Schools & GCCISD Police and Security
3. GC2035: Long Range Facility Plan
Executive Director of Community Engagement Kendall David, Director of Facilities Planning & Construction Brenda Garcia, Facilitators Judy Rimato, GC2035 Leadership Chairperson Kristin Sickie, and Vice-Chairperson Briceida Alcaraz presented the GC2035:Long Range Facility Plan.

RECESS

The Board requested a 10-minute recess at approximately 8:01 p.m. before continuing with the action items. The Board reconvened at 8:11 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

9527. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Donation from Port of Houston Authority of Harris County, Texas**
2. **Donation from Goose Creek CISD Education Foundation Designated Grant by ExxonMobil**
3. **Donation from ExxonMobil for GanderNEER Scholarship**
4. **Donation from Covestro**
5. **Donation from Dr. Johnny T. Clark, Jr. Elementary School PTO**
6. **Consideration of the Goose Creek CISD Memorandum of Understanding with Chambers County for Shelter Evacuation Assistance During an Emergency**
7. **Grant Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between the City of Houston Health Department (HHD) and Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District**

8. **Resolution Nominating a Representative to Serve on the Harris Central Appraisal Board of Directors and Casting Votes Via Attached Certification of Ballot**
9. **RFP #24-015 for Electrical Services and Related Products**
10. **REF #24-012 for Horace Mann Junior School Serving Line Counter Replacement**
11. **CSP #24-016 for HVAC Equipment, Supplies, and Related Services**
12. **GC2035: Long Range Facility Plan**

Health

Item 7. Grant Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between the City of Houston

Department (HHD) and Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District was pulled.

Also, Mr. Campisi requested that the Board pull item 12. GC2035: Long Range Facility Plan from Consent Agenda

Mr. Campisi moved and Mrs. Guy seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE AGENDA ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6 AND 8 THROUGH 11 AS PRESENTED.** The motion passed with Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mrs. Guy, Mr. Campisi, Mr. Renteria, Mr. Martinez, Mr. Clem, and Mr. Sampson voting for motion.

1. Donation from Port of Houston Authority of Harris County, Texas

The Board approved the donation from the Port of Houston Authority of Harris County, Texas, to support Maritime Education program in the amount of \$7,500.

2. Donation from Goose Creek CISD Education Foundation Designated Grant by ExxonMobil

The Board approved the donation from Goose Creek CISD Education Foundation on behalf of ExxonMobil for GCCISD Robotics Program in the amount of \$15,000.

3. Donation from ExxonMobil for GanderNEER Scholarship

The Board approved the donation from ExxonMobil for the GranderNEER scholarship in the amount of \$5,000.

4. Donation from Covestro

The Board approved the donation from Covestro for STEM scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.

5. Donation from Dr. Johnny T. Clark, Jr. Elementary School PTO

The Board approved the donation from Dr. Johnny T. Clark, Jr. Elementary School PTO for covered shade over the playground in the amount of \$8,000.

6. Consideration of the Goose Creek CISD Memorandum of Understanding with Chambers County for Shelter Evacuation Assistance During an Emergency

The Board approved the GCCISD Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Chambers County for shelter and evacuation assistance during an emergency.

8. Resolution Nominating a Representative to Serve on the Harris Central Appraisal Board of Directors and Casting Votes Via Attached Certification of Ballot

The Board approved the resolution nominating Martina Lemond Dixon for position on the Board of Directors of the Harris Central Appraisal District and casting votes via attached certification of ballot.

9. RFP #24-015 for Electrical Services and Related Products

The Board approved the award of RFP #24-015 for electrical services and related products on an as-needed basis.

10. REF #24-012 for Horace Mann Junior School Serving Line Counter Replacement

The Board approved the award of RFP #24-012 to Kommercial Kitchens. This will allow the replacement and installation of a serving line counter at Horace Mann Junior School.

11. CSP #24-016 for HVAC Equipment, Supplies, and Related Services

The Board approved the award of CSP#24-016 for HVAC equipment, supplies and related services on an as-needed basis.

12. GC2035: Long Range Facility Plan

Mr. Renteria moved and Mr. Clem seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD TABLE THE MATTER OF ITEM 12 UNTIL WE CAN LOOK FURTHER INTO THE LONG-RANGE PLAN FOR GCC2035.** The motion failed with Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mrs. Guy, Mr. Campisi, Mr. Renteria, Mr. Martinez, Mr. Clem, and Mr. Sampson voting against the motion.

Mrs. Guy moved and Mr. Campisi seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD ACCEPT THE PLAN AND THE WORK PRESENTED BY THE COMMITTEE AND ANY ACTIONABLE ITEMS BE BROUGHT BACK LATER TO THE BOARD BY THE ADMINISTRATION.** The motion passed with Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mrs. Guy, Mr. Campisi, Mr. Renteria, Mr. Martinez, Mr. Clem, and Mr. Sampson voting for motion.

9528. FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS, BOARD TRAINING, BOARD MEETINGS

FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

- Appointment a committee of three Board Members (Mrs. Guy, Mr. Campisi, and Mr. Clem) to review and update the Board Operating Procedures and report at a later date.

BOARD MEETINGS

- Special Meeting December 16, 2024, 6:00 p.m. to further discuss the District Rezone Task Force Update and the GC2035 Long Range Facility Plan
- January 13, 2025, Regular Board Meeting

CLOSED MEETING

At approximately 8:47 p.m., President Helen Berrott-Tims recessed the Regular Meeting into a Closed Session with the following statement:

This Board will now recess into a Closed Session pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Opening Meetings Act: 551.071, Private consultation with the Board's Attorney; 551.072, Discussing purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property with representatives of employee groups; 551.073, Discussing negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations; 551.074, Considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee; and 551.083, Considering the standards, guidelines, terms, or conditions the Board will follow, or will instruct its representatives to follow, in consultation with representatives of employee groups."

Board Reconvenes into Regular Session

At approximately 10:13 p.m., the Board reconvened into Regular Session with President Helen Berrott-Tims presiding. No action was taken while in Closed Session.

9529. CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL

Mrs. Guy moved and Mr. Campisi seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE TWELVE (12) ELECTIONS AS PRESENTED.** The motion passed with Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mrs. Guy, Mr. Campisi, Mr. Renteria, Mr. Martinez, Mr. Clem, and Mr. Sampson voting for the motion.

Superintendent Approved Elections:

1. Aryanna Avila, teacher, assigned to Robert E. Lee High School.
2. Carrie Dixon, teacher, assigned to Clark Elementary School.
3. Karen Ford, teacher, assigned to Horace Mann Junior School.
4. Cynthia Gonzalez, teacher, assigned to Bowie Elementary School.
5. Jessica Gonzalez, teacher, assigned to Ashbel Smith Elementary School.
6. Cali Green, teacher, assigned to Stuart Career Tech High School.
7. Tina Holloway, teacher, assigned to E. F. Green Junior School.
8. Kyle Kelly, teacher, assigned to Peter E. Hyland Center.
9. Selena Perez, teacher, assigned to Highlands Elementary School.
10. Alicia Sasser, teacher, assigned to Cedar Bayou Junior School.
11. Gabrielle Wall, teacher, assigned to Goose Creek Memorial High School.
12. Jerrell Williams, teacher, assigned to Stuart Career Tech High School.

Mrs. Guy moved and Mr. Martinez seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE FIVE (5) RESIGNATIONS, RETIREMENTS AND REASSIGNMENT AS PRESENTED.** The motion passed with Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mrs. Guy, Mr. Campisi, Mr. Renteria, Mr. Martinez, Mr. Clem, and Mr. Sampson voting for the motion.

Accepted Resignations and Retirements:

1. **Tabitha English**, AVID teacher at Baytown Junior School, is resigning effective December 20, 2024.
2. **Cheryl Howell**, special education – life skills teacher at Goose Creek Memorial High School, is resigning effective December 20, 2024.
3. **Michele Streitman**, librarian at David Crockett Elementary School and Jessie Lee Pumphrey Elementary School, is resigning effective December 13, 2024.
4. **Lloyd Sullivan**, head athletic trainer, is retiring effective December 31, 2024. Mr. Sullivan is in his 18th year of experience with the District.
5. **Brooklyn Wilson**, kindergarten teacher at Bonnie P. Hopper Primary School, is resigning effective December 20, 2024.

Accepted Reassignment:

1. Kelly Start, Principal at Stuart Career Tech High School to Principal at Goose Creek Memorial High School.

Administrative Personnel:

Director of Purchasing

Mr. Campisi moved and Mrs. Guy seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE ELECTION OF SHIELA V. CANTU AS DIRECTOR OF PURCHASING.** The motion passed with Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mrs. Guy, Mr. Campisi, Mr. Renteria, Mr. Martinez, Mr. Clem, and Mr. Sampson voting for the motion.

Educational Diagnostician:

Mr. Martinez and Mrs. Guy seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE ELECTION OF KATHERINE PUMPHREY AS AN EDUCATIONAL DIAGNOSTICIAN.** The motion passed with Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mrs. Guy, Mr. Campisi, Mr. Renteria, Mr. Martinez, Mr. Clem, and Mr. Sampson voting for the motion.

Student Success and Academic Excellence Facilitator:

Mr. Martinez moved and Mrs. Guy seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE ELECTION OF BLAIR R. OVERMAN AS STUDENT SUCCESS AND ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE FACILITATOR.** The motion passed with Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mrs. Guy, Mr. Campisi, Mr. Renteria, Mr. Martinez, Mr. Clem, and Mr. Sampson voting for the motion.

Instructional Specialist - Bilingual/ESL - Secondary

Mr. Martinez moved and Mrs. Guy seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE ELECTION OF SARAH DAVILA AS INSTRUCTIONAL SPECIALIST – BILINGUAL/ESL - SECONDARY.** The motion passed with Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mrs. Guy, Mr. Campisi, Mr. Renteria, Mr. Martinez, Mr. Clem, and Mr. Sampson voting for the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Helen Berrott-Tims adjourned the regular Board meeting at 10:17 p.m.