

# Minutes of Regular Meeting

## May 19, 2025

### Hays CISD Board of Trustees

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These minutes are a record of the actions taken by the Hays CISD Board of Trustees in the meeting held on the above date. The complete video of the meeting is accessible at [www.hayscisd.net](http://www.hayscisd.net) for those who wish to hear the specific details of the discussions on the agenda topics presented.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Hays CISD was held on Monday, May 19, 2025 beginning at 5:30 PM in the Merideth Keller Board Room at the Hays CISD Academic Support Center, located at 21003 Interstate 35, Kyle, TX 78640.

#### CALL TO ORDER: Establish a quorum

Board President Byron Severance called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. All members of the Board were present.

#### CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:30 PM to deliberate regarding safety and security, including security personnel, systems, infrastructure, and/or devices, pursuant to Tx. Gov't Code Section 551.076, to deliberate regarding the Superintendent's recommendations for employment, resignations, extended leave, and other personnel matters, pursuant to Tx. Gov't Code Section 551.071, and to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property pursuant to Tx. Gov't Code Section 551.072.

#### RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Board President Byron Severance called the Board back to order to reconvene in open session at 7:09 PM.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES AND TEXAS FLAGS

Board Secretary Geoff Seibel lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the US and Texas flags.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

Board Vice President Johnny Flores read the Hays CISD Board of Trustees Mission Statement.

#### SOCIAL CONTRACT

Trustee Raul Vela read the Hays CISD Board of Trustees Social Contract.

#### SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Dr. Eric Wright provided a legislative update and mentioned that the Johnson HS Baseball team advanced in the playoffs to face Lake Travis on Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at Concordia University. Dr. Wright received comments from Board President Byron Severance. There were no questions from any other trustee.

#### PUBLIC FORUM

There was one speaker present requesting to address the Board. Lacey Hoff addressed the Board of Trustees.

#### INFORMATION ITEM

##### Update on District Safety & Security Initiatives

Board President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item. Chief Safety & Security Officer Jeri Skrocki introduced Sheriff Anthony Hipolito as a guest to address the Board. Sheriff Hipolito engaged in conversation with the Board, responding to feedback and questions from Trustee Raul Vela, Trustee Courtney Runkle, Trustee Vanessa Petrea, Board Vice President Johnny Flores, Trustee Esperanza Orosco, and Board President Byron Severance.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Board President Byron Severance introduced the agenda item and read the suggested motion that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees approve the consent agenda, as presented. Trustee Vanessa Petrea moved and Board Vice President Johnny Flores seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

### Consideration and possible approval of meeting minutes

There were no questions from the Board of Trustees regarding this agenda item.

### Procurements

Renewal of Subscription to STEMscopes – Accelerate Learning: There were no questions from the Board regarding this agenda item.

Purchase of Open Court Workbooks and Digital Licenses – McGraw Hill: There were no questions from the Board regarding this agenda item.

Renewal of Subscription to Desmos Math – Amplify: There were no questions from the Board regarding this agenda item.

Renewal of Subscriptions to BrainPOP and BrainPOP Jr. – BrainPOP: There were no questions from the Board regarding this agenda item.

Purchase of Textbooks and Online Access to IM for AP Human Geography – Cengage: There were no questions from the Board regarding this agenda item.

Purchase of Textbooks and Online Access to IM for AP Government and Economics – Bedford Freeman and Worth Publishers: There were no questions from the Board regarding this agenda item.

Purchase of Social Studies Instructional Resources – Social Studies School Service: There were no questions from the Board regarding this agenda item.

### Budget Amendments

There were no questions from the Board regarding this agenda item.

## ACTION ITEMS

### Consideration and possible action, if any, resulting from closed session

Consideration and possible approval of the Superintendent's Recommendation for the Contractual Employment of the Chief Financial Officer. This agenda item will be postponed for a future meeting.

### Second Reading and Possible Adoption of Proposed Revisions to Local Policy BE

Board President Byron Severance introduced the agenda item and read the suggested motion that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees adopt the proposed revisions to Local Policy BE, as presented. Board Vice President Johnny Flores moved and Trustee Vanessa Petrea seconded the motion. Trustee Esperanza Orosco commented. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

### Consideration and possible adoption of an Order Authorizing and Providing for the Defeasance and Redemption of Certain Outstanding Obligations of Hays CISD, Authorizing the Execution of an Escrow Agreement, and Containing Other Provisions related thereto

Board President Byron Severance introduced the agenda and read the suggested motion that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees adopt the order authorizing and providing for the defeasance and redemption of certain outstanding obligations, and containing other matters related thereto, as presented. Trustee Courtney Runkle moved and Trustee Vanessa Petrea seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

Consideration and possible approval of Interlocal Agreements to join the Goodbuy Purchasing Cooperative and the Southeast Purchasing Cooperative – Region 5

Board President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item and read the suggested motion that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees approve interlocal agreements to join Goodbuy Purchasing Cooperative and Southeast Purchasing Cooperative – Region 5, as presented. Board Vice President Johnny Flores moved and Trustee Vanessa Petrea seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

Consideration and possible approval to grant a Utility Easement to Pedernales Electric Cooperative at McCormick Middle School

Board President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item and read the suggested motion that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees grant a utility easement to Pedernales Electric Cooperative at McCormick Middle School, and authorize the Superintendent and/or Board President to execute documents necessary and convenient to complete the project, as presented. Trustee Vanessa Petrea moved and Board Vice President Johnny Flores seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

Consideration and possible approval of Portable Building Relocation and Related Services

Board President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item. Chief Operations Officer Max Cleaver addressed the Board to note the changes to the transmittal from the May 12, 2025 Board agenda workshop. President Severance read the suggested motion that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees approve portable building relocation and related services from the vendors listed within the transmittal document for a combined amount not to exceed \$370,647, as presented. Trustee Vanessa Petrea moved and Trustee Raul Vela seconded the motion. Discussion was held with comments from Trustees Esperanza Orosco, Courtney Runkle, Vanessa Petrea, Vice President Johnny Flores, Secretary Geoff Seibel, and Superintendent Dr. Eric Wright. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

Consideration and possible approval of the Guaranteed Maximum Price for 2025 Bond Renovations and Additions to Hemphill Elementary School and Simon Middle School

Board President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item and read the suggested motion that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) from Bartlett Cocke Construction Company in the amount of \$26,929,942 for the 2025 Bond Renovations and Additions to Simon Middle School and Hemphill Elementary School, designed by O'Connell Robertson Architects, as presented. Board Vice President Johnny Flores moved, and Trustee Vanessa Petrea seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

Consideration and possible approval of the Guaranteed Maximum Price for 2025 Bond Renovations and Additions to Kyle Elementary School and Tom Green Elementary School

Board President Byron Severance introduced the agenda item and read the suggested motion that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) from Jackson Construction Company in the amount of \$43,629,456 for the 2025 Bond Renovations and Additions to Kyle ES, and in the amount of \$34,217,311 for the 2025 Bond Renovations and Additions to Tom Green ES, designed by O'Connell Robertson Architects, as presented. Board Secretary Geoff Seibel moved and Board Vice President Johnny Flores seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

Consideration and possible approval of a Tri-Party Agreement with Hays County and Lennar Homes of Texas for a Future Elementary School Site in the Waterstone Subdivision

Board President Byron Severance introduced the agenda item and read the suggested motion that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees approve the tri-party development agreement with Hays County and Lennar Homes of Texas which included provisions for a future elementary school site in the Waterstone Subdivision, and authorize the Superintendent and/or Board President to negotiate and execute documents necessary and/or convenient to complete the transaction, as presented. Board

Vice President Johnny Flores moved and Trustee Vanessa Petrea seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

#### Consideration and possible approval of the Final Plat at Tom Green Elementary School

Board President Byron Severance introduced the agenda item. Chief Operations Officer Max Cleaver addressed the Board to note specific information. There were no questions regarding this note. President Severance read the suggested motion that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees approve the Final Plat for Tom Green Elementary School, and authorize the Superintendent and/or Board President to negotiate and execute documents necessary and/or convenient to complete the transaction, as presented. Trustee Vanessa Petrea moved and Board Vice President Johnny Flores seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

#### Consideration and possible approval of the Final Plat at the Impact Center

Board President Byron Severance introduced the agenda item and read the suggested motion that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees approve the Final Plat for the Hays CISD Impact Center, and authorize the Superintendent and/or Board President to negotiate and execute documents necessary and/or convenient to complete the transaction, as presented. Board Vice President Johnny Flores moved and Board Secretary Geoff Seibel seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

#### Consideration and possible approval of School District Land Development Standards Agreement with the City of Buda

Board President Byron Severance introduced the agenda item. Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer, addressed the board and responded to questions and comments from Board Vice President Johnny Flores and Board President Byron Severance. Mr. Severance read the suggested motion that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees approve a School District Land Development Standards Interlocal Agreement with the City of Buda, and authorize the Board President and/or Superintendent to negotiate and execute documents necessary and/or convenient to complete the transaction, as presented. Board Vice President Johnny Flores moved and Trustee Courtney Runkle seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

#### INFORMATION ITEM

##### Update on District bond, Construction, and Renovation Projects

Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer, addressed the Board of Trustees. There were no questions in response to Mr. Cleaver's address.

##### Report of Purchasing Cooperatives with Rebates

Board President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item. There was no new information to present, and no questions from the Board of Trustees.

##### Review and Discussion of the 2025-2026 Budget Calendar

Board President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item. There was no new information to present, and no questions from the Board of Trustees.

##### Financial Statements

Board President Byron Severance introduced this agenda item. There was no new information to present, and no questions from the Board of Trustees.

#### REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Requests for information were received from Board Vice President Johnny Flores and Trustee Esperanza Orosco

#### RECAP OF QUESTIONS

There was no recap of questions.

## ADJOURN

Board President Byron Severance noted that the next Board meeting is a Special Budget Workshop meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 4, 2025 at 5:30 PM. No further business was conducted, and President Severance announced that the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.