# Meeting of the Board of Trustees GOOSE CREEK CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Baytown, Texas

January 22, 2024

#### **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

The Board of Trustees and the Administrative Staff of the Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District met in a regular Board Meeting on Monday, January 22, 2024, 6:07 p.m., with the following Board members present.

**PRESENT:** Mrs. Tiffany Guy, President; Mr. Howard Sampson, Vice President;

Mrs. Helen Berrott-Tims, Secretary; Mr. James "Jim" Campisi, Assistant

Secretary; Mr. Mercedes Renteria III, Mr. Jessie Martinez, and

Mr. Richard Clem

**ABSENT:** None

#### **OPENING EXERCISES**

The opening exercises for the January 22, 2024, Board of Trustees meeting was provided by students from George Washington Carver Elementary School. Board Member Mercedes Renteria III led the prayer. The pledges of allegiance to the American and Texas flags were led by Mateo Martindale and Kori Jones.

The following choir students sang the song entitled, "Squirm, cool to be a worm".

Xela BocanegraErnesto CardenasRegina ChevarriaRyan De La GarzaNoah DimasSharon GarciaJoselyn IbarraKori JonesMateo MartindaleArian MorfinArielle OlazaranBryan OrozcoKevin PedrozaRenata Rodriguez

Kai Yzquierdo

Students were under the direction of Music Teacher David Watson and Principal Erica Smith.

The colors (flags) were presented by the Sterling High School Army JROTC.

# RECOGNITIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Donation from Representative Briscoe Cain and Senator D Mays Middleton II

Deputy Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction Susan Jackson and Advanced Academics/Special Projects recognized Representative Briscoe Cain and Senator D Mays Middleton for the \$10,000 donation used to purchase ROTC uniforms.

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# **Board of Trustees Appreciation Month:**

- 1. Certificates from Harris County Commissioner Precinct 2 Adrian Garcia
- 2. Proclamation from Harris County Precinct 3 Commissioner Tom S. Ramsey, P.E.
- 3. Proclamation from City of Baytown
- 4. Gift from Girl Scouts
- 5. Donation of Books to Honor the Board of Trustees
- 6. Surprise Video
- 7. Culinary Students from Stuart Career Tech High School Provided Appreciation Dinner

# It's Time Texas Community Challenge Pledge:

Healthy Community Schools Coordinator Amanda Kennington and Council Woman Laura Alvarado introduced the kickoff to the District's partnership in the 2023 It's Time Texas Community Challenge January 8, 2024, through March 3, 2024. This is a statewide competition promoting healthy activities that lead to health communities.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

A public Hearing was held for the required Public Reporting for Accelerated Instruction Program 2022-2023 facilitated by Director of Federal Programs Ginger McKay.

#### **CITIZENS PARTICIPATION**

Marga Matthews addressed the Board of Trustees regarding the resolution pertaining to chaplains under Senate Bill 763 as listed on the agenda.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Campisi moved and Mrs. Berrott-Tims seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 20, 2023, SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED.** The motion passed with Mr. Sampson, Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mr. Campisi, and Mr. Martinez voting for the motion. Mrs. Guy, Mr. Clem, and Mr. Renteria abstained.

Mr. Clem moved and Mrs. Berrott-Tims seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 30, 2023, SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED.** The motion passed with Mrs. Guy, Mr. Sampson, Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mr. Campisi, Mr. Renteria, and Mr. Clem voting for the motion. Mr. Martinez abstained.

Mr. Clem moved and Mr. Campisi seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE DECEMBER 11, 2023, REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED.** The motion passed with Mrs. Guy, Mr. Sampson, Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mr. Campisi, Mr. Renteria, Mr. Martinez, and Mr. Clem voting for the motion.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

# **Superintendent's Reports**

# 1. Athletics Update

Athletics Director Lee Martinez, Assistant Director Greg Smith, Head Coaches Robert Toomer, Daniel Ragsdale, and Timothy Finn presented an update on the athletics program.

# 2. Discipline Presentation

Director of Student Services Carrie Smith presented a PowerPoint Presentation and reviewed the Discipline Data.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### 9461. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Board Policy EIC (LOCAL); Academic Achievement Class Ranking Update
- 2. Resolution Regarding Chaplains Under Senate Bill 763
- 3. Award RFP for Nutrition Services Smallware & Related Items
- 4. Award RFP Nutrition Services Large Equipment, Installation, and Related Products
- 5. Extension CSP for Fencing Materials, Installation, and Related Items
- 6. Private Resale of Tax Foreclosure Property Pursuant to Section 34.05 of Texas Tax Code
- 7. Tax Refunds

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

# 1. Board Policy EIC (LOCAL); Academic Achievement Class Ranking Update

The Board approved the updates regarding EIC (LOCAL) regarding calculation class rank as presented.

#### 2. Resolution Regarding Chaplains Under Senate Bill 763

The Board approved the resolution regarding chaplains under Senate Bill 763

#### 3. Award RFP for Nutrition Services Smallware & Related Item

The Board approved to award RFP #24-006 Nutrition Services Smallware & Related as presented.

#### 4. Award RFP Nutrition Services Large Equipment, Installation, and Related Products

The Board approved to award RFP #24-007 Nutrition Services Large Equipment, Installation, and related products.

#### 5. Extension CSP for Fencing Materials, Installation, and Related Items

The Board approved the extension of CSP #19-008 for Fencing Materials, Installation, and Related Items for ninety (90) additional days.

# 6. Private Resale of Tax Foreclosure Property Pursuant to Section 34.05 of Texas Tax

The Board approved the private sale of 208 North Street to ExxonMobil for \$47,800.00 and authorize the Board President to execute an earnest money contract related to the sale and execute such other and further documents as necessary to consummate the transaction.

#### 7. Tax Refunds

The Board approved the tax refunds in accordance with Section 31.11 of the State Property code with the provision that no taxes are owed by the referenced parties on any account.

Approved Tax Refunds:	
Goose Creek MOB LP	\$70,706.52
Badger Ingredients Inc	\$60,045.74
Houston LD, LLC	\$35,923.52
Ameriport LLC	\$23,630.28
Badger Ingredients Inc	\$22,055.78
Equip Co Transportation	\$19,793.74
Finch Commerical Lease LLC	\$14,121.55
Corelogic Tax Service (Castlerock Communities)	\$7,507.17
B1bank	\$7,395.26
CoreLogic Tax Service (McCulley, Jessie & Cecilia)	\$6,269.82
EL T-Garth, INC.	\$6,234.27
Guoshang Huang	\$6,223.05
Mark L. Domingue (Domingue Revocable Trust)	\$5,779.23
Chem Coast INC	\$5,693.67
Texas Taco Cabana, L. P.	\$5,594.56
Amrock, LLC – Texas Escrow (Holder, James)	\$5,583.46
CoreLogic Tax Service (Wisener, Samuel & Jennifer)	\$5,072.59
Federal Road Properties	\$5,064.94
Member Home Loan, LLC (Carmona Victoria)	\$5,009.90

# \$317,705.05

# • Discuss Process of Conducting Board Elections

#### **BOARD MEETINGS**

• February 5, 2024, and February 19, 2024, Regular Board Meetings, 6:00 p.m.

Total

9462. FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS, BOARD TRAINING, BOARD MEETINGS

#### **BOARD TRAININGS**

• Team of Eight Training Required

**FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS** 

• Governance Camp, February 28 – March 2, 2024

#### **CLOSED MEETING**

At approximately 8:04 p.m., President Tiffany Guy recessed the Regular Meeting into a Closed Session with the following statement:

"The Board will now recess into Closed Session pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Opening Meetings Act 551.071, Private consultation with the Board's Attorney, Consult with legal counsel on a matter in which the attorney has a duty of confidentiality to the Board under the Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas, including compensation matters related to law enforcement personnel, and any other topic permitted by law: 551.074, Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel, no action will be taken while the Board is in Closed Session."

# **Board Reconvenes into Regular Session**

At approximately 9:07 p.m., the Board reconvened into Regular Session with President Tiffany Guy presiding. No action was taken while in Closed Session.

# 9463. CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL

Mr. Clem moved and Mrs. Berrott-Tims seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE TEN** (10) **ELECTIONS SUBJECT TO ASSIGNMENT AND PLACE ON TEACHER HIRING SCALE; APPROVE TWELVE (12) RESIGNATIONS.** The motion passed with Mrs. Guy, Mr. Sampson, Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mr. Campisi, Mr. Renteria, Mr. Martinez, and Mr. Clem voting for the motion.

#### Approved Elections:

- 1. Melody Brown, teacher, assigned to Bowie Elementary School.
- 2. Tailor Delavergne, teacher, assigned to Cedar Bayou Junior School.
- 3. Daniel Hoffman, teacher, assigned to Cedar Bayou Junior School.
- 4. Cheryl Howell, teacher, assigned to Lamar Elementary School.
- 5. Gabriela Luna, teacher, assigned to Alamo Elementary School.
- 6. Holly Ponder, teacher, assigned to Carver Elementary School.
- 7. Lindsey Rawls, teacher, assigned to Baňuelos Elementary School.
- 8. Asma Siddiqi, teacher, assigned to Cedar Bayou Junior School.
- 9. Jennifer Valadez, teacher, assigned to Ashbel Smith Elementary School.
- 10. Roland Watts, teacher, assigned to Ross S. Sterling High School.

# Accepted Resignations and Retirements:

- 1. **Victoria Allen**, principal at Lorenzo De Zavala Elementary School, is resigning effective June 25, 2024.
- 2. **Brittney Bean,** campus at risk intervention teacher at Highlands Elementary School, resigned effective January 5, 2024.
- 3. **Tammy Davis**, director of Child Care, is retiring effective February 29, 2024. Ms. Davis is in her 18<sup>th</sup> year of experience with the District.

- 4. **Jeanie Genz**, special education life skills teacher at William B. Travis Elementary School, resigned effective December 21, 2023.
- 5. **Marshall Land**, assistant principal, retired effective December 21, 2023. Mr. Land was in his 24<sup>th</sup> year of experience with the District.
- 6. **Robin McGowan**, transportation supervisor, retired effective December 21, 2023. Ms. McGowan was in her 30<sup>th</sup> year of experience with the District.
- 7. Alicia Molina, social studies teacher at Baytown Junior School, resigned effective January 8, 2024.
- 8. **Ceresa Nichols**, early childhood brain development coach at Bonnie P. Hopper Primary School, resigned effective December 20, 2023.
- 9. **Arthur Sylvester**, director of human resources, is resigning effective January 26, 2024.
- 10. **Matthew Trisler**, social studies teacher at Horace Mann Junior School, resigned effective January 4, 2024.
- 11. Sierra Wheeler, kindergarten teacher at David Crockett Elementary School, resigned effective December 21, 2023.
- **12. Jeremy S. Williams,** fourth grade teacher at James Bowie Elementary School, resigned effective January 4, 2024.

#### Administrative Elections:

Junior School Counselor

Mrs. Berrott-Tims moved and Mr. Renteria seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE ELECTION OF ALEXIS BRYANT AS COUNSELOR AT CEDAR BAYOU JUNIOR SCHOOL.** The motion passed with Mrs. Guy, Mr. Sampson, Mrs. Berrott-Tims, Mr. Campisi, Mr. Renteria, Mr. Martinez, and Mr. Clem voting for the motion.

Director of Education Foundation

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

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Board President Tiffany Guy adjourned the regular Board meeting at 9:15 p.m.