

# **Minutes of Regular Meeting**

## **December 8, 2025**

### **Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees**

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These minutes are a record of the actions taken by the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees in the meeting held on the above date.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Kaufman ISD was held on Monday, December 8, 2025, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Kathy Covington Administration Building, 1000 South Houston Street, Kaufman, Texas 75142.

#### **CALL TO ORDER:** Establish a quorum

President Drew Peterson called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM. Christine Borders, Linda Mott, Byron Gregg, Elizabeth O'Donnell, Lindsey Abell, and Casey Townsend were present.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:01 PM. Under the authority of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.074-Personnel Matters.

#### **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened in open session at 6:02 PM.

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

Board Member Elizabeth O'Donnell led the Board in the Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the US and Texas Flags.

#### **DISTRICT CELEBRATIONS**

Helen Edwards Early Childhood Center performed Christmas Carols for those in attendance.

Jenny Henricks recognized School Board Students of the Month from each campus.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Jason Eddington introduced himself to the Board Members. He is running for Texas Senate District 2 in 2026. He shared information about himself and his family.

#### **INSTRUCTIONAL FOCUS / PRESENTATIONS**

Dr. Matthew Nichols, Principal at Kaufman High School, asked Mrs. Hartley (NHS Sponsor) to discuss the Adopt-A-Kid tradition and highlighted that this is the 33rd year for the program. KHS classes adopt pre-k and kindergarten students from Helen Edwards for visits with Santa, snacks, and gift-giving. This day one great example of Lions helping Lions.

Dr. Nichols and Mrs. Webb celebrated our outstanding seniors receiving notable distinctions. They also discussed college visits for seniors and the college scholarship match program. There is so much to be proud of in Kaufman ISD!

### **ACTION ITEMS**

Consideration and possible approval of the Evaluation and Contract of the Superintendent, Dr. Joshua Garcia.

- Vice President Christine Borders read the suggested motion for the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees to approve the evaluation and contract of the Superintendent, Dr. Joshua Garcia, as discussed in closed session.
  - Linda Mott seconded the motion.
  - The motion passed with a vote of 7-0. Drew Peterson, Christine Borders, Linda Mott, Lindsey Abell, Elizabeth O'Donnell, and Casey Townsend all in favor.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Consideration and possible approval of the Consent Agenda.

- ✓ Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on November 17, 2025.
- ✓ District Improvement Plan.
- ✓ Phone Free School Grant.
  - Byron Gregg read the suggested motion that the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees approve the consent agenda, as presented.
    - Vice President Christine Borders seconded the motion.
    - There was no further discussion, and the motion passed with a vote of 7-0. Drew Peterson, Christine Borders, Linda Mott, Lindsey Abell, Elizabeth O'Donnell, and Casey Townsend all in favor.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- Amy Keith presented the KISD Region 10 Trainings Building Leadership Capacity.
- Dr. Roberts presented the resignations, retirements, and new personnel.
- Dr. Roberts gave the Second Read TASB Policy Updates.
- Mr. Miller presented the Financial Reports.
- Mr. Miller gave an update on Maintenance and Operations.
- Dr. Garcia presented the student enrollment.

### **ADJOURN**

There being no other business, President Drew Peterson adjourned the meeting at 7:02 PM.

Approve: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_