

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Commerce ISD

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Commerce Independent School District was held on March 14, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at the Commerce ISD Administration Building, 3315 Washington St., Commerce, Texas. President Kathleen Hooten called the meeting to order, extended a warm welcome and announced that a quorum was present. The meeting had been posted for the time and manner required by law.

Board members present were Mrs. Hooten, Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, Ms. Etta Herring, Mr. Randy Starks and Mr. Gabe Wittkopf. Dr. Ray Green and Dr. Mark Reid were absent.

Executive Session...

Mrs. Hooten announced that the Board would convene in executive session at 6:06 p.m. to discuss personnel (§551.074) and hold a private consultation with the Board's attorney, if needed (§551.071).

Reconvene from Executive Session...

Mrs. Hooten announced that the Board ended its closed session 7:13 p.m. on March 14, 2019.

Opening Activities

Mr. Starks led an invocation. The pledge to the American flag was led by Dr. Hendricks and the pledge to the Texas flag was led by Ms. Herring.

Recognition

Texas State Solo and Ensemble Qualifiers Bailey Guinessey and Lucas Condor were recognized for qualifying for state. Condor also was recognized for placing seventh chair percussionist in UIL 3A All-State Band. Drum majors Grace Tolly and Jakob Scarcelli were recognized for leading the CHS band successfully during a transition year.

Ag Show Winner Round Up

The following students were recognized for stock show wins:

Fort Worth Livestock Show

Jennifer Stephenson, 2nd in class, ORB heifer, Junior Beef Heifer Show
Alexis Sloan, 3rd in class, Brangus heifer, Junior Beef Heifer Show
Eli Black, 1st in class, Brown Swiss, Junior Dairy Show
Eli Black, 1st in class, Milking Shorthorn, Junior Dairy Show
Wesley Chavez & Miguel Zavala, 2nd in class, Stock Trailer, Ag Mechanics Show

Calf Scrambles

Lane Hill, caught at two Calf Scrambles, received a \$500 certificate from Fort Worth and \$1750 from Houston to help purchase a Beef Heifer for next show season

San Angelo Livestock Show

Tori Belcher, 2nd in class, Polled Hereford heifer, Junior Beef Heifer Show
Welsey Chavez & Miguel Zavala, 1st in class, Stock Trailer, Ag Mechanics Show

Campus Teachers of the Year

Campus teachers of the year were recognized. They are as follows:

Misti Gardner, CES
Meagan Heath, ACW
Jason Wallace, CMS
Amy Nolan, CHS.

Citizens' Comments

Eighth grader Carazut Lopez spoke to the Board about modifying the dress code. She said it discriminated against female students. Her father, David Rogers, also addressed the Board saying he supported his daughter in her efforts to see changes made to the dress code.

Action on Items Discussed in Executive Session

Mr. Starks made a motion to accept the resignations of Nancy Rodgers and Shylo Faske, CES teachers, and Amy Nolan, CHS teacher. Dr. Hendricks seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wittkopf made a motion to employ Jennifer Bunch, CMS teacher, for the 2019-2020 school year. Mr. Starks seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Ms. Herring made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on February 18, 2019 and the special meeting of February 25, 2019. Mr. Wittkopf seconded the motion. The motion carried. Dr. Hendricks made a motion to approve the financial statements and investment summary for February 2019. Mr. Starks seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider of Budget Amendment

Director of Finance John Walker said two projects were funded that were not included in the budget; however, funds were available in the current budget which came from SHARS reimbursements. One was painting the water tower, which is done every 10 years, and the other was purchasing stools for Commerce Middle School. Dr. Hendricks made a motion to approve budget amendments as presented. Mr. Wittkopf seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Consider Approval of Transfer of Vehicles from the City of Commerce to the District

Superintendent Charlie Alderman said that the City of Commerce had four vehicles that they were selling. He stated that the vehicles still had years of life left. The vehicles would be used for food service and mail deliveries and by the maintenance department. Dr. Hendricks made a motion to approve the transfer of vehicles to CISD for \$10. Ms. Herring seconded the motion. The motion carried with Mr. Wittkopf abstaining.

Consider Appointing Board Member to Serve on Teacher of the Year Selection Committee

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to appoint Mrs. Hooten serve on the teacher of the year selection committee. Mr. Wittkopf seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Discuss and Consider Approval of Expenditures from Fund Balance

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to table consideration of expenditures citing the fact that two board members were absent. Mr. Starks seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was set for 6 p.m., Tuesday, March 26 at the Central Administration Building.

Informational Reports

Enrollment was 1537, up 10 from this time last year.

The TASB spring workshop will be held May 14 at Texas A&M University-Commerce. CSEE Foundation Boots & BBQ will be held April 6 at CHS.

The date for the April Board meeting will be Monday, April 15, 2019. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Executive session will be held at 6 p.m..

The check register and the Campus Highlights newsletter were presented.

Board Member Comments...

Dr. Hendricks said he would like to recognize businesses for their support. Mr. Alderman said that would be coming up before school was out. Dr. Hendricks also mentioned the Dan Jones 5K Fun Run which would be held on April 27.

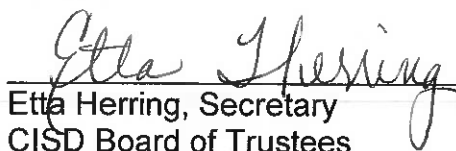
Mr. Alderman thanked the Board for the \$500 stipend given to each CISD employee, which was distributed by Board members at a staff meeting at Commerce High School on Thursday, March 14.

Adjournment...

Mr. Starks made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Hooten stated that the meeting was adjourned.



Kathleen Hooten, President
CISD Board of Trustees



Etta Herring, Secretary
CISD Board of Trustees