

Minutes of the Special Meeting

The Board of Trustees
Commerce ISD

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Commerce Independent School District was held on September 1, 2020, at the Commerce ISD Administration Building. 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 for the meeting were Mrs. Hooten, Dr. Ray Green, Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, Ms. Etta Herring, Mr. Randy Starks and Mr. Gabe Wittkopf.

Opening Activities

Mr. Starks led an invocation. The pledge to the American flag was led by Dr. Green and the pledge to the Texas flag was led by Mr. Wittkopf.

Citizens' Comments

Superintendent Charlie Alderman read three comments sent via email which were from Joe Shipman, Emily Shipman and Tara Buchanan who supported continuing extracurricular activities during the COVID-19 pandemic. Parents and staff in attendance who spoke in support were Kevin Shaw, Colton Reynolds, Stephanie Slough, Kamie Busby, Jessica Gossett, Andrea Basham, Kara Wallace, Crystal Lewis and Leigh Ann Gibson.

Discussion and Possible Action on Plans Affecting Extracurricular Activities due to COVID-19


Each Board member shared their opinion of discontinuing extracurricular activities. Mr. Wittkopf made a motion to continue with sports and other extracurriculars. Mr. Starks seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 to 2 with Dr. Hendricks and Ms. Herring opposing.

Comments from Board Members

Mr. Wittkopf congratulated Coach John McSheffery on his team's win on Friday night.

Adjournment...

Dr. Green 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