

## Minutes of the Special Meeting

### The Board of Trustees Commerce ISD

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A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Commerce Independent School District was held on March 8, 2022, 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, Mr. Wayne Pierce, Mrs. Kelsey Lytle, Mr. Randy Starks, Dr. LaVelle Hendricks and Mr. Gabe Wittkopf.

#### **Executive Session...**

Mrs. Hooten announced that the Board would convene in executive session at 6:00 p.m. to discuss personnel (§551.074) and hold a private consultation with the Board's attorney, if necessary (§551.071).

#### **Reconvene from Executive Session...**

Mrs. Hooten announced that the Board ended its closed session at 6:36 p.m. on March 8, 2022.

#### **Citizens' Comments**

Mrs. Jenny Kruger, Boys and Girls Club

#### **CMS Presentation and Update from Claycomb**

An update and slideshow was presented by Jeffrey Floyd. Marc Rauzi gave projected dates for certain aspects of construction and completion.

#### **Consideration and Possible Action to Select Texas Sports & Civil Engineering, LLC as Architect/Engineer for the Covered Practice Field at CHS**

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to approve the selection of Texas Sports & Civil Engineering, LLC as the Engineer for the Covered Practice Field at CHS. Mr. Wittkopf seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### **Consideration to Adopt the Prevailing Wage Rates**

The Board Approved to Adopt the Prevailing Wage Rates in Connection with School District Construction Projects. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Starks and seconded by Mr. Wittkopf. The motion carried.

#### **Consideration to Approve using an Interlocal Contract as the Delivery Method for the Covered Practice Field Project at Commerce High School**

The Board Approved to using an Interlocal Contract for the Covered Practice Field project at CHS. Dr. Green made a motion to approve, Mrs. Lytle seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Consider a Plan for Changing a Staff Development Day to an Instructional Day and Add Five Minutes Daily to CES and CMS for remainder of school year**

The Board Approved April 11, 2022 as an Instructional Day. The Board also approved adding Five Minutes Daily to CES' and CMS' Schedule Beginning on March 28, 2022. Mr. Starks made a motion to Approve as presented, Mr. Wittkopf seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Consider Approval of the 2022-2023 School Calendar**

A Committee of Parents, Community and Staff Members Prepared Two Calendar Options (Calendar A and Calendar B) for the 2022-2023 Student Academic Calendar. The Majority of those involved Voted for Calendar A. A Video outlining Calendar A was also Shared with our District Educational Improvement Committee. The Calendars were discussed as the Committee Provided Feedback, the Committee then Choose to Move forward with Calendar A by Majority Vote. Dr. Green made a motion to Approve Calendar A for the 2022-2023 Academic School Year. Mr. Pierce seconded the motion, the motion carried.

**Consider Approval of the District of Innovation Draft Plan and Approve Resolution Stating Intention to Renew**

Dr. Tremmel vetted to include feedback from our Board of Trustees, feedback from the District of Innovation Committee, feedback from Student Health Advisory Committee, as well as she hosted a Public Meeting. With the Board's approval a letter will be sent to the Commissioner of Education and the DOI will be posted on our website for 30 days. Dr. Hendricks made a motion to Approve as presented. Mrs. Lytle seconded and the motion carried.

**Consider Approval of a Waiver to Modify Schedule of Classes During STARR Testing**

The Board approved a Waiver that allows flexibility on STARR Testing Days. A motion was Made to Approve by Dr. Green. Mrs. Lytle seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Consider Approval of the Rockwall Aquatics Center of Excellence Swim Program**

The Board approved to allow the Rockwall Aquatics Center as an Exception to the Physical Education Requirement for Commerce ISD Students. Dr. Hendricks made a Motion to Approve as presented. Mr. Pierce seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Consider Suspending Robert's Rules of Order**

A motion to Suspend Robert's Rules of Order was made by Dr. Hendricks in order to have a group discussion regarding the Boys and Girls Club. Mr. Wittkopf seconded, the motion carried. A group discussion followed the motion.

**Consider Returning to Regular Order of Business**

Following the group discussion, Dr. Hendricks made a motion to Return to the Regular Order of Business. Mr. Starks seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Dr. Hendricks shared that there will be a Program Honoring Influential Women in our Community. A few of the Women being recognized are Janet Peek, Ann Champion and Sandy Moore. The Program will take place on March 27, 2022 at the First Baptist Church in Commerce at 2:00 pm.

The next Board Meeting will be on Monday, March 28, 2022 at Central Administration Building at 6:00 pm.

**Adjournment...**

Dr. Green made a motion to adjourn at 8:14 pm. Mrs. Hooten stated that the meeting was adjourned.



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Kathleen Hooten, President  
CISD Board of Trustees



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Gabe Wittkopf, Secretary  
CISD Board of Trustees