

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 May 15, 2023 at the Commerce ISD Administration Building. President 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. Kristal Jackson, Dr. Ray Green, Mrs. Ann Reel, Mr. Doc Pierce, Dr. LaVelle Hendricks and Mr. Gabe Wittkopf and Mrs. Kathleen Hooten.

Administer Oath of Office

The Oath of Office was administered to Mrs. Kristal Jackson, Place 4, Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, Place 5 and Mrs. Ann Reel, Place 6.

Executive Session...

Mrs. Hooten announced that the Board would convene in Executive Session at 5:58 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 7:02 p.m. on May 15, 2023.

Opening Activities

Dr. Hendricks led an invocation. The pledge to the American Flag was led by Dr. Green and the Texas Flag was led by Mrs. Reel.

Administer Oath of Office

Chief Seth McDaniel administered the Oath of Office to Officer Justin Findley, Officer Nick Floyd and Officer Eric Johnson.

Recognition

Mr. Alderman announced that Wenyan Ni is the 22-23 CHS Valedictorian. She is the daughter of Bukuo Ni and Qianying Zhang.

Piper Scaff, a 5th grader at ACW, was recognized for winning 5th place in the Texas General Land Office's 27th Annual "Treasures of the Texas Coast" Children's Art Contest.

CHS Tennis, Golf and Track members were also recognized.

Citizen's Comments

None

Action on Items discussed in Executive Session

Dr. Green made a motion to accept the following resignations: Joyce Sample, Madison Langston, Jordan Hefner, Cameron Gentile and Chelsea Roman. Mr. Pierce seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to accept the following Tri County resignations: Julia Huff and Jeremy Bridges. Mrs. Reel seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve the following New Hires: Rodney Ross, Kenzie-Lou Bramblett, Alexxis Farmer, Phyllis Caldwell, Elizabeth Chesson, Carol Longshore, Cara Spry, Michael Pointer, George Eubanks and Dustin Wallace. Mrs. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the following Tri County New Hires: Ashley Gilliam and Chelsea Roman. Mr. Wittkopf seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 17, 2023 and the Minutes of the Special Meeting of May 2, 2023 and the Financial Statements and Investment Reports of April, 2023. Mrs. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider Approval to purchase 132 Apple iPads

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the purchase of 132 iPads for the Kindergarten class. The current iPads are at the end of their life. The purchase total is \$54,568.00, ESSER Funds will be used to purchase the iPads. Mrs. Reel seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider Approval of the Revised Emergency Operation Plan

Mrs. Jackson made a motion to approve the Revised Emergency Operation Plan as presented. Mr. Wittkopf seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider Approval of Proposed Revisions to EIC (Local) Academic Achievement Class Ranking

Mrs. Reel made a motion to approve the revisions to EIC (Local) Academic Achievement Class Ranking as presented. Dr. Green seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider Approval of Food Service Management Contract

Dr. Green made a motion to approve Taher Inc. as the new Food Service Management Company for the 23-24 school year. Taher Inc. was able to provide a more competitive price per meal. Mrs. Reel seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider Approval of Missed School Day Waiver for February 2, 2023

Mr. Wittkopf made a motion to approve the waiver for February 2, 2023, a missed school day due to weather. Mrs. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider Approval of Staff Development Minutes Waiver for 22-23 and 23-24

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to approve the waiver for this school year and next. Mr. Pierce seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Informational Report

Enrollment is at 1516, down one from last month.

End of the Year celebration will be on May 26, 2023 beginning at 12:45 pm.

Convocation will be on August 7, 2023.

Mr. Alderman gave a brief construction update. He stated we needed five dry days to begin installation of concrete at the Ag Barn and the new middle school.

There will be a Budget Workshop on May 23, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

The Check Register was included as well as the Principal's Reports.

The next Regular Board Meeting will be on Tuesday, June 20, 2023 with Executive Session beginning at 6:00 pm and Open Session beginning at 7:00 pm.

Board Comments

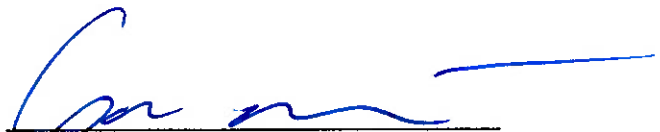
None

Adjournment...

Dr. Ray Green made a motion to adjourn at 8:02 pm. Mrs. Hooten stated that the meeting was adjourned.



Kathleen Hooten, President



Gabe Wittkopf, Secretary