

Regular Meeting
Monday, December 18, 2023 6:30 PM Central

Hitchcock ISD Board Room,
7801 Neville Avenue
Hitchcock, TX 77563

I. Call to Order & Establish a Quorum - The meeting was called to order by President Cantrell at 6:30 PM. Trustees present at the meeting were Monica Cantrell, President; Tom Ivey, Secretary; Ryan Massa, Member; Ted Robinson, Jr., Member, and Dr. Shirley Price, Member. Chad Allen, Vice-President and Tony Combs, Member, were absent. HISD employees present at meeting were Travis Edwards, Superintendent; Mike Skinner, Assistant Superintendent; Chris Armacost, Director of Facilities & Operations; Evangelina Guerra, GGCC Director; Craig Smith, Athletic Director; Kim Barnes, Student Services & Special Programs Coordinator; Jaree Hefner, Digital Media & Marketing Specialist; Patrick Faour, Assessment & Accountability Coordinator; Dr. Neeley, HHS Principal; Donette Line, CMS Principal; Connie White, SES Principal; Elena Trevino, HPS Principal; Ethel Gaines, KFHS Director, and Chief Filidei.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

II.A. United States Flag - Tom Ivey led the members of the Board of Trustees and patrons in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

II.B. Texas Flag - Ted Robinson, Jr. led the members of the Board of Trustees and patrons in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag.

III. Recognitions - Mr. Edwards recognized Olive Mueller, HHS 9th Grader, as the winner of the HISD Christmas Card contest.

IV. Public Participation – there was no public participation.

V. Consent Agenda - A motion was made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Dr. Price to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried with all in favor.

V.A. Minutes

V.B. Monthly Financial Report, Check Register and Investment Report

V.C. Monthly Tax Collection Report

V.D. Monthly KFHS Financial Report and Check Register

V.E. Monthly GGCC/SHARS Financial Report and Check Register

VI. Reports/Information

VI.A. Superintendent's Reports - Mr. Edwards, Coach Smith, Patrick Faour, Evangelina Guerra, Jaree Hefner, and Kim Barnes reviewed the Superintendent's Reports for the Board.

VI.B. Principal's Reports – Ms. Gaines, Ms. Trevino, Ms. White, Ms. Line, and Dr. Neeley reviewed their respective reports.

VI.C. Notice of Deadline to File Applications for a Place on the Ballot – Mr. Edwards informed the Board that the Deadline to File Applications for a Place on the Ballot had been posted by Ms. Leuschen.

VII. Action

VII.A. Consider approval of Policy 122 affecting Local Policies: CQB (LOCAL): TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES - CYBERSECURITY, CSA (LOCAL): FACILITY STANDARDS - SAFETY AND SECURITY, DC (LOCAL): EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES, EHB (LOCAL): CURRICULUM DESIGN - SPECIAL PROGRAMS, EHBC (LOCAL): SPECIAL PROGRAMS - COMPENSATORY SERVICES AND INTENSIVE PROGRAMS, EHBCA (LOCAL): COMPENSATORY SERVICES AND INTENSIVE PROGRAMS - ACCELERATED INSTRUCTION, FEA (LOCAL): ATTENDANCE - COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE, FFAC (LOCAL): WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES - MEDICAL TREATMENT,

FFB (LOCAL): STUDENT WELFARE - CRISIS INTERVENTION, and
FL (LOCAL): STUDENT RECORD – A motion was made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Ted Robinson, Jr. to approve TASB Localized Update 122 by adding, revising, or deleting policies as recommended by TASB Policy Services. Motion carried with all in favor.

VII.B. Consider approval of Budget Amendment #1 for the 2023-2024 school year - A motion was made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Ryan Massa to approve Budget Amendment #1 for the 2023-2024 school year as presented and recommended by the administration. Motion carried with all in favor.

VIII. Closed Session - Ms. Cantrell, Board President, called the members of the Board of Trustees into Closed session at 7:17 PM for the purposes permitted as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section:

VIII.A. Personnel Matters: Pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code

VIII.A.1. Discuss the employment of new professional employees(s) for the 2023-2024 school year

VIII.A.2. Discuss the contracts, duties, re-assignments, discipline, and evaluation of trustees, officers, superintendent, assistant superintendent, principals, assistant principals, directors, coordinators, police chief, teachers, counselors, librarians, district nurse, and at-will employees.

IX. Reconvene from Closed Session for action, if any, from Closed Session - Trustees reconvened from closed session at 8:10 PM.

A motion was made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Dr. Price to hire Ceresa Nichols on a Probationary One-Year Teacher Contract for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year.

X. Suggested Future Agenda Items – Chaplain Resolution

XI. Announcement(s) – Merry Christmas

XII. Adjourn - Meeting adjourned at 8:41 PM.

Linda Leuschen
Recording Secretary

HISD Board President
Monica Cantrell

HISD Board Secretary
Tom Ivey