

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting****The Board of Trustees  
Commerce ISD**

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A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Commerce Independent School District was held on January 21, 2025 at the Commerce ISD Administration Building. President 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. Kathleen Hooten, Mrs. Tamara Beadles, Mrs. Ann Reel, Dr. Ray Green, Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, Mr. Wayne Pierce and Mrs. Kristal Jackson. The Meeting was Called to Order at 7:03 p.m.

**Opening Activities**

Dr. LaVelle Hendricks led an invocation. The pledge to the American Flag was led by Mr. Doc Pierce and the Texas Flag was led by Mrs. Kristal Jackson.

**Recognition of the Board of Trustees**

The board was recognized and presented with various gifts from each campus.

**Citizens Comments**

None

**Showcase of ACW**

The fourth and fifth grade Honor Choir presented a special performance.

**Consent Agenda**

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of December 16, 2024 and the Special Meeting of December 20, 2024, and the Financial Statements and Investments Report of December, 2024. Mrs. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Consider Approval of Resolution Regarding Wage Payments During Emergency School Closings**

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to approve the Resolution to ensure wage payments for employees affected by emergency closings on January 9, 2024 and January 10, 2024. Mrs. Reel seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Consider Approval of 24-25 Teacher Appraiser**

Mrs. Jackson made a motion to approve Amy Knusta as a Teacher Appraiser. Dr. Green seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Consider Approval of Election Services Contract with Hunt County Elections Administrator Office for the May 3, 2025 General Election**

Mrs. Beadles made a motion to approve the Contract as presented. Mrs. Reel seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Consider Approval of the Resolution and Order of Election Calling a General Election for Places One (1), Two (2) and Three (3) of the CISD Board of Trustees**

Mr. Pierce made a motion to accept the Resolution and Order of Election. Mrs. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Consider Approving a Joint-Use Option with the City of Commerce for the CMS Campus located at 606 Culver**

No action was taken. The board requested further information to be collected and presented at the February Board Meeting.

**Informational Reports**

Mr. Alderman announced there will be a special program honoring Dr. LaVelle Hendricks at the East Caney Missionary Baptist Church on Sunday, February 2, 2025 at 2:30 pm.

**Enrollment Update**

Enrollment is at 1533 students.

**Principal Reports**

Principal Reports were presented.

The Regular February Board Meeting will be held on February 17, 2025 at the Central Administration Building with Closed Session beginning at 6:00 pm and Regular Session beginning at 7:00 pm.

The Check Register was Included.

**Board Member Comments**

None

**Executive Session...**

Mrs. Hooten announced that the Board would convene in Executive Session at 8:05 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 8:57 p.m. on January 21, 2025.

**Action on Items Discussed in Executive Session...**

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to not extend the Superintendent's Contract. Mrs. Reel seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Adjournment...**

Dr. Green made a motion to adjourn at 8:58 pm. The meeting was adjourned.



Kathleen Hooten, President  
CISD Board of Trustees



Mr. Wayne Pierce, Secretary  
CISD Board of Trustee