

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 March 24, 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. Kristal Jackson, Dr. LaVelle Hendricks and Mr. Wayne Pierce. Mrs. Ann Reel and Dr. Ray Green were not present. The Meeting was Called to Order at 6:03 p.m.

Executive Session...

Mrs. Hooten announced that the Board would convene in Executive Session at 6:03 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 7:08 p.m. on March 24, 2025.

Opening Activities

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

Recognitions

Mrs. Hooten recognized Mr. Charlie Alderman as outgoing Superintendent. Boys and Girls Powerlifting and Girls Basketball were also recognized.

Citizens Comments

None

Showcase of CES

Mrs. Haley McDonald first introduced her staff then presented a video showcasing CES.

Action on Items Discussed in Executive Session

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to name Mr. Steve Drummond as Superintendent effective April 1, 2025. Mrs. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mrs. Beadles made a motion to accept resignations from the following personnel:

Marissa Medrano, Teacher/Coach

Rocio Medrano-Lopez, Teacher/Coach

Jennifer Stephenson, Teacher/CES

Cindy Pierce, Teacher/ACW

Kelly Patterson, Teacher/ACW

Weston Evans, Life Skills/CMS

Heather Kercheval, Teacher/CMS

Anthony Berger, Teacher/Summit

Ellie Samples, Teacher/ACW

Ronald Marks III, Teacher/Coach

Charletha Wilburn, Teacher/Coach

Cheryl Fair, CHS SPED

Tania Abarca-Quiroz, Tri-County Educational Diagnostician

Ashley Gilliam, Tri-County ARD Facilitator

Mrs. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried with Mr. Pierce abstaining.

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to accept Tri-County resignations from the following personnel:

Tania Abarca-Quiroz, Tri-County Educational Diagnostician

Ashley Gilliam, Tri-County ARD Facilitator

Mr. Pierce seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mrs. Beadles made a motion to approve the employment of the following personnel:

Kurt McCain, Teacher/Coach CHS

Ashley Hagood, Teacher/Coach CHS

Jordan Bedford, Teacher/Coach CHS

Sam Hammontree, Teacher/Coach ACW

Christopher Williams, Coach/Girls Coordinator

Mrs. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Pierce made a motion to extend the contracts for the following professional personnel:

Myers, Donni: 2 year; 11 month, Certified Admin

Coffey, Brandy: 2 year; 11 month, Assistant Director

Ellis, Andrea: 2 year; 11 month, Cert Admin

Dawson, Paula: 11 month, Director of Health Services

Benson, Leslie: 10 month, RN

Hampton, Gianna: NCP, 11 month

Lindsay, Brandi: 11 month, Cert. Counselor

Miller, Belinda: 10 month, Cert. Counselor

Sturch, Jerry: 11 month, Cert. Counselor

Brent, Jacklyn: 12 month, NCP

Carrell, Tammy: 11 month, Probationary, CCT

Mrs. Beadles seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Mrs. Jackson made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 17, 2025, the Special Meeting of February 21, 2025, the Special Meeting of February 25, 2025 and the Financial Statements and Investment Reports of February 2025. Mrs. Beadles seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider Approval of 25-26 Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials

Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve as presented. Mrs. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider Approval of the CISD Open Education Resources (OER) Transition Plan, as required by TEA to support Instructional Materials Allotment (IMA) fund reimbursement

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

Consider Approval of DC (LOCAL) Giving the Superintendent Final Authority to Employ/Accept Resignations of Contractual Personnel from April 1 to August 31

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to approve giving the Superintendent Final Authority to employ contractual personnel and accept resignations of contractual personnel from April 1 to August 31 of current year. Mrs. Beadles seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider Approval of Final Change Order with Final Payout

Mr. Alderman noted that the final payout was \$2,569,780 under budget. Mrs. Jackson made a motion to accept as presented. Mrs. Beadles seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Dr. Hendricks wanted to thank Mr. Alderman, Mr. John Walker and others who played an instrumental role in making sure that we spent money effectively and efficiently so that we could save the taxpayers over \$2,000,000.

Informational Reports

Enrollment Update was included.

Principal Reports were presented.

The Regular April Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 22, 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.

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Board Member Comments

None

Adjournment...

Mrs. Beadles made a motion to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.



Kathleen Hooten, President
CISD Board of Trustees



Wayne Pierce, Secretary
CISD Board of Trustee