

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 October 20, 2025 at the Commerce ISD Administration Building. Vice President Hendricks 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, Mr. Wayne Pierce, Mrs. Ann Reel and Mrs. Abbie Harper.

Executive Session...

Mrs. Hooten announced that the Board would convene in Executive Session at 6:04 p.m. as allowed by Texas Government Code Section 551.071; 551.074; and 551.082.

Reconvene from Executive Session...

Mrs. Hooten announced that the Board ended its closed session at 7:10 p.m. on October 20, 2025.

Opening Activities

Dr. LaVelle Hendricks led an invocation. The pledge to the American Flag was led by Mr. Wayne Pierce, the pledge to the Texas Flag was led by Mrs. Ann Reel.

Citizens Comments

None

Consent Agenda

Mrs. Ann Reel made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 15, 2025, and the Financial Statement and Investment Reports of September, 2025. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks seconded the motion. The motion carried. Dr. Mr. Wayne Pierce, aye. Mrs. Kristal Jackson, aye. Mrs. Abbie Harper, aye. Mrs. Tamara Beadles, aye and Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye.

Consider Approval to Change Signatory Rights on signature Cards for Financial Institutions; Guaranty Bond Bank, Chase Bank, Lone Star Investment Pool and Texpool

Mrs. Kristal Jackson made a motion to approve changing signatory rights on all signature cards. Mrs. Abbie Harper seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mr. Wayne Pierce, aye. Mrs. Tamara Beadles, aye. Mrs. Ann Reel, aye. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye, and Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye.

Consider Approval of the TASB Risk Management Fund Interlocal Participation Agreement

Mrs. Tamara Beadles made a motion to approve the new AUP for Commerce ISD. Mrs. Mr. Wayne Pierce seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mrs. Kristal Jackson, aye. Mrs. Abbie Harper, aye. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye. Mrs. Ann Reel, aye. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye.

Consider Adopting a Resolution Requiring Every Campus to Provide a Period of Prayer and Reading of Religious Text

No Motion.

Consider Approval of a Resolution Regarding Senate Bill 12 and Parent Rights

Mrs. Ann Reel made a motion to approve the Resolution regarding SB 12. Mrs. Tamara Beadles seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mrs. Abbie Harper, aye. Mrs. Kristal Jackson, aye. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Mr. Wayne Pierce, aye.

Consider Approval of CISD's Motto, Mission and Vision Statements

Mrs. Abbie Harper made a motion to approve the statements. Mrs. Ann Reel seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mr. Wayne Pierce, aye. Mrs. Kristal Jackson, aye. Mrs. Tamara Beadles, aye. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye.

Consider Approval of the Texas Education Agency (TEA) Required Turnaround Plan for AC Williams and Commerce Elementary Schools

Tabled until November's Board Meeting.

Consider Approval of the CISD Bilingual Exceptions and ESL Waivers for 25-26

Mrs. Tamara Beadles made a motion to approve the exceptions and waivers as presented. Mrs. Kristal Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Mr. Wayne Pierce, aye. Mrs. Ann Reel, aye. Mrs. Abbie Harper, aye.

Consider Approval of the 25-26 District Improvement Plan and the Campus Improvement Plans

Mr. Wayne Pierce made a motion to approve the plans as presented. Mrs. Ann Reel seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mrs. Tamara Beadles, aye. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye. Mrs. Abbie Harper, aye. Mrs. Kristal Jackson, aye.

Consider Adopting a Local Policy Prohibiting an Employee from Assisting an Enrolled Student with Social Transitioning or Providing Information

Mrs. Tamara Beadles made a motion to adopt a local policy. Mrs. Abbie Harper seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Mrs. Kristal Jackson, aye. Mr. Wayne Pierce, aye. Mrs. Ann Reel, aye. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye.

Informational Reports

Enrollment Update

Check Register

Annual Review of Investment Policy and Investment Strategies by John Walker

The Personnel Report for October

Principal Reports

Hall of Honor will be on Friday, October 3, 2025

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

Board Member Comments

None

Adjournment...

Mrs. Tamara Beadles made a motion to adjourn at 8:08 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.



Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, President
CISD Board of Trustees



Mr. Wayne Pierce, Secretary
CISD Board of Trustees