

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 23, 2026 at the Commerce ISD Administration Building. President Kathleen Hooten called the meeting to order, expended 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, Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, Mr. Wayne Pierce, Mrs. Abbie Harper, Mrs. Tamara Beadles and Mrs. Ann Reel. Mrs. Kristal Jackson was not present.

Executive Session...

Mrs. Hooten announced that the Board would convene in Executive Session at 5:48 p.m. on March 23, 2026 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 March 23, 2026.

Opening Activities

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

Showcase CMS

Mrs. Jenna O'Neal kicked things off by showing a video highlighting CHS.

Recognitions

Girl's Basketball and Girl's and Boy's Powerlifting were recognized for their outstanding accomplishments.

Citizen's Comments

None

Action of Items Discussed in Executive Session

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to accept the resignations of Denny Yoakum, Patricia Nelle, Amanda Colgan, Allison Odle and John Henderson. Mrs. Beadles seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Mrs. Abbie Harper, aye. Mrs. Ann Reel, aye. Mr. Wayne Pierce, aye.

Mr. Pierce made a motion to consider employment of Tarra Askew, Custodial Supervisor. Mrs. Reel seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Mrs. Abbie Harper, aye. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye. Mrs. Tamara Beadles, aye.

Mrs. Harper made a motion to extend Personnel Contracts for Professional Employees. Mrs. Reel seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye. Mr. Wayne Pierce, aye. Mrs. Tamara Beadles, aye.

Consider Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February, 2026 and the Financial Statement and Investment Reports of February, 2026.

Mrs. Beadles made a motion to approve the minutes and financial reports of February, 2026. Mrs. Reel seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mrs. Abbie Harper, aye. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Mr. Wayne Pierce aye.

Consider Approval of Ideal Impact Services Contract

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to accept the contract as presented. Mrs. Beadles seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mrs. Abbie Harper, aye. Mrs. Ann Reel, aye. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Mr. Wayne Pierce, aye.

Consider Approval Ideal Impact Resolution and Payment Plan Agreement

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to approve the Resolution and Payment Plan Agreement as presented. Mrs. Harper seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Mrs. Ann Reel, aye. Mr. Wayne Pierce, aye. Mrs. Tamara Beadles, aye.

Consider Approval of Order of Cancellation for May 2, 2026 General Election

Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve the Order of Cancellation. Mrs. Reel seconded the motion. The motion carried. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Mrs. Abbie Harper, aye. Mrs. Tamara Beadles, aye.

Consider Approval of Certification of Unopposed Candidates in May 2, 2026 Election

Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve Certification of Unopposed Candidates. Mrs. Harper seconded the motion. The motion carried. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Mrs. Tamara Beadles, aye. Mrs. Ann Reel, aye.

Consider Approval of DC (LOCAL) Giving the Superintendent Final Authority to Employ/Accept Resignations of Contractual Personnel from April 1, 2026 to August 31, 2026

Mrs. Beadles made a motion to approve the Superintendent having final authority to employ and accept resignations from April 1, 2026 to August 31, 2026. Mrs. Reel seconded the motion. The motion carried. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Mr. Wayne Pierce, aye. Mrs. Abbie Harper, aye.

Consider Approval of DEC (LOCAL) Regarding Paying an Employee who separates from Employment with the District for accumulated State Leave

Mrs. Harper made a motion to approve payment for accumulated State Leave for employees retiring from the district. Dr. Hendricks seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Mrs. Tamara Beadles, aye. Mr. Wayne Pierce, aye. Mrs. Ann Reel, aye.

Consider Approval of 2026-2027 Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials Process

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

Consider Approval to Authorize the Superintendent to use leftover bond monies to complete HVAC project at ACW at his discretion

Mrs. Beadles made a motion to approve the Superintendent using bond monies for HVAC projects. Mrs. Harper seconded the motion. The motion carried. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Mr. Wayne Pierce, aye. Mrs. Ann Reel, aye.

Consider Approval of Protocols for Releasing Medical Records to Parents within a 45-day period

Mrs. Reel made a motion to approve Protocols regarding medical records as presented. Mr. Pierce seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mrs. Abbie Harper, aye. Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, aye. Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, aye. Mrs. Tamara Beadles, aye.

Informational Reports


- A. Teacher Incentive Allotment Implementation Plan
- B. EMEX, LLC Contract
- C. Letter of Support Request for Carevide
- D. Jeremy Williams Resignation
- E. 2026 CHS Senior Spring Events
- F. Enrollment Update
- G. Principal Report
- H. The Regular April Board Meeting will be held on April 20, 2026 at the Central Administration Building with Closed Session beginning at 6:00 p.m. and Regular Session beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Board Member Comments


None

Adjournment...

Mrs. Tamara Beadles made a motion to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.



Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, President
CISD Board of Trustees



Mr. Wayne Pierce, Secretary
CISD Board of Trustees