

**Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
Monday, October 25, 2021
Board of Trustees
Katy Independent School District**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Katy Independent School District was held on **Monday, October 25, 2021** in the Board Room of the Katy ISD Education Support Complex, 6301 South Stadium Lane, Katy, Texas, 77494. Public access to the free Livestream of the Regular Meeting was made available through the Katy ISD Board meeting Livestream link. The following Board members were present: Greg Schulte, Lance Redmon, Dawn Champagne, Rebecca Fox, Duke Keller, Ashley Vann and Leah Wilson.

1. Call to Order

At 5:00 p.m. Board President Greg Schulte opened the meeting. Dr. Gregorski verified that the provisions of Section 551.001 et seq. of the Texas Government Code were met in accordance with the public notice of the meeting.

2. Pledges of Allegiance

Morton Ranch Elementary student led pledges of allegiance.

3. Recognitions

Dr. Andrea Grooms, Chief Communications Officer, presented.

3.1 Texas State Representative Mike Schofield will present a resolution in honor of Katy High School Head Football Coach Gary Joseph receiving the Tom Landry Award. Representative Mike Schofield, presented.

3.2 Texas State Representative Mike Schofield will present a resolution to former Football Coach Maurice "Bubba" Fife for earning the GoBeGreat Award. Representative Mike Schofield, presented.

4. Open Forum

Courtney Phillips spoke regarding New Kid book by Jerry Craft; Board open dialogue with parents; and keeping Board Meetings a safe place to address concerns.

Ryan Abt spoke regarding cancellation of author visit.

Michelle Walla spoke regarding Westlake neighborhood zoned to Cinco Ranch Junior High instead of Tays Junior High.

Trevor Cave spoke regarding using Canvas and HAC.

April Inman spoke regarding introduction of Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

Mary Ellen Cuzela spoke regarding library audits, obscene books, and Critical Race Theory.

Jennifer Miers spoke regarding potential Critical Race Theory infiltration in elementary schools.

Ling Le spoke regarding Critical Race Theory.

Victor Perez spoke regarding Critical Race Theory.

James Strickland gave an update regarding Men on Campus.

5. Closed Meeting

Board President Greg Schulte announced that the Board was convening in Closed Meeting as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq. concerning the sections and purposes listed below. The Board then adjourned to Closed Meeting.

- 5.1 Consultation with Board's attorney. (Texas Government Code 551.071: For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law; and Texas Government Code 551.129: For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney by telephone conference call.)
- 5.2 Discuss and consider Board approval of naming a principal for Cimarron Elementary School. (Texas Government Code 551.074: For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee.)
- 5.3 Discuss the superintendent's quarterly evaluation. (Texas Government Code 551.074: For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee.)

6. Reconvene from Closed Meeting

The Board reconvened into Open Meeting at 7:05 p.m. Board President Greg Schulte called the meeting to order.

- 6.1 Consider Board approval of naming a principal for Cimarron Elementary School. Moved by Lance Redmon seconded by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees names Lindsey Chase as the principal of Cimarron Elementary School as recommended by the Superintendent in Closed Meeting.

7. Action Items

- 7.1 Consider Board approval of the Termination of the Cost Sharing and Development Agreement associated with the Haskett Junior High School site. Moved by Ashley Vann seconded by Lance Redmon that the Board of Trustees approves the Termination of the Cost Sharing and Development Agreement associated with the Haskett Junior High School site.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 7.2 Consider Board approval of the minutes of the September Board meetings. Moved by Dawn Champagne seconded by Leah Wilson that the Board of Trustees approves the minutes of the Board meetings held in September 2021.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

8. Public Hearing

- 8.1 Presentation of the District's rating on the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST). Mr. Christopher J. Smith, Chief Financial Officer, and Mrs. Anne Faichtinger, Executive Director of Finance, presented.
- 8.2 Receive public input regarding the District's rating on the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST). No individuals signed up to speak.
- 8.3 Presentation on Katy ISD's designation as a District of Innovation. Mrs. Sherri Ashorn, SHARS and Discipline Administrator, presented.
- 8.4 Public Hearing on exploring Katy ISD's designation as a District of Innovation. No individuals signed up to speak.

9. **Reports**

- 9.1 Design update on renovations to the Miller Career and Technology Center. Ms. Lisa Kassman, Executive Director of Facilities, Planning, and Construction and Ms. Kelley Kirila, Principal at Miller Career and Technology Center, presented.

10. **Discussion/Action**

- 10.1 Discuss and consider Board approval of the August 2021 check register. Mrs. Anne Faichtinger, Executive Director of Finance, presented. Moved by Lance Redmon seconded by Dawn Champagne that the Board of Trustees approves the District's August 2021 check register.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 10.2 Discuss and consider Board approval of the October 2021 budget amendments. Mrs. Sharri Butterfield, Director of Budget and Treasury, presented. Moved by Ashley Vann seconded by Lance Redmon that the Board of Trustees approves the District's October 2021 budget amendments.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 10.3 Discuss and consider Board approval of an additional 1% one-time lump sum (total of 2%) payment of the midpoint to be paid in December 2021 for all District employees. Mr. Brian Schuss, Chief Human Resources Officer, presented. Moved by Leah Wilson seconded by Dawn Champagne that the Board of Trustees approves an additional 1% one-time lump sum (total of 2%) payment of the midpoint to be paid in December 2021 for all District employees.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 10.4 Discuss and consider Board approval of pursuing the District of Innovation designation for Katy ISD and the appointment of the Innovation Plan Committee. Mrs. Sherri Ashorn, SHARS and Discipline Administrator, presented. Moved by Dawn Champagne seconded by Lance Redmon that the Board of Trustees approves pursuing the District of Innovation designation for Katy ISD and the appointment of the Innovation Plan Committee as presented by the administration.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 10.5 Discuss and consider Board approval of the English Learner (EL) Enrollment and the 2021-2022 Bilingual Education Exception/ESL Waiver Application. Mrs. Linda Shepard, Director for ESL and Bilingual Programs and Mrs. Jennifer Perepeluk, Instructional Officer for Elementary ESL, presented. Moved by Ashley Vann seconded by Lance Redmon that the Board of Trustees approves or the Superintendent to sign and submit the 2021-2022 Bilingual Education Exception/ESL Waiver Application.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 10.6 Discuss and consider Board approval of the attendance boundary modification (ABM) for elementary #44 and Paetow High School LUZ 12B, 13A, 13B to Morton Ranch High School for the 2022-2023 school year. Mr. Ted Vierling, Chief Operations Officer and Ms. Kris Pool, Attorney and Chief Analyst, Population Survey Analysts (PASA), presented. Moved by Dawn Champagne seconded by Ashley Vann that the Board of Trustees approves the attendance boundary modification (ABM) for the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

10.7 Discuss and consider Board approval of a contract for renovations to the Miller Career and Technology Center. Mrs. Lisa Kassman, Executive Director of Facilities, Planning and Construction, presented. Moved by Ashley Vann seconded by Leah Wilson that the Board of Trustees awards a contract to Brookstone, LP for renovations to the Miller Career and Technology Center for a fee not to exceed 2.15% of the cost of the work including pre-construction services totaling \$10,000.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

10.8 Discuss and consider Board approval of the design associated with the comprehensive renovations (and building addition) to Diane Winborn Elementary School. Mrs. Lisa Kassman, Executive Director of Facilities, Planning and Construction; Mr. Todd Lien, Managing Partner, VLK Architects; Mr. David Taylor, Architect, VLK Architects; and Ms. Ms. Lisa Frison, Principal of Winborn Elementary School, presented. Moved by Ashley Vann seconded by Leah Wilson that the Board of Trustees approves the design associated with the comprehensive renovations and building addition to Diane Winborn Elementary School as depicted in the design presentation prepared by VLK Architects dated October 25, 2021.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

11 Discussion

11.1 Board discussion - The Governance Core: School Boards, Superintendents, and Schools Working Together book study. Board Vice President Lance Redmon led discussion.

12 Information Items

12.1 Quarterly Investment Report. Board President Greg Schulte announced that the Board was provided a copy of the Quarterly Investment Report.

12.2 Donated Items to Katy Independent School District. Board President Greg Schulte announced that the Board was provided a copy of the donated items to Katy ISD.

12.3 Cooperative Purchasing Contract Management Fees Report. Board President Greg Schulte announced that the Board was provided a copy of the Cooperative Purchasing Contract Management Fees Report.

12.4 Recap of Board Members' Requests for Information. Board Secretary Dawn Champagne read the Board members requests for additional information:

Can Teacher Academy be exempted as part of the District of Innovation plan

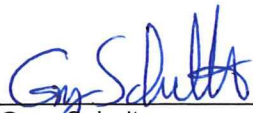
Update on classroom size waiver after students return from KVA

13 Future Meeting

13.1 Regular Board Meeting. Board President Greg Schulte announced that the Board will hold a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, November 15, 2021.

14 Adjournment

Board President Greg Schulte adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.



Greg Schulte
President, Board of Trustees



Dawn Champagne
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Approved: November 15, 2021