Board Meeting Summary

September 19, 2023 • Regular Board Meeting • 6:00 p.m.

Opening

A regular meeting of the Conroe Independent School District Board of Trustees was held Tuesday, September 19, 2023, in the Board Room of Deane L. Sadler Administration Building located at 3205 W. Davis, Conroe, TX 77304. Superintendent Dr. Curtis Null and a quorum of the Board of Trustees attended the meeting: Skeeter Hubert, Theresa Wagaman, Datren Williams, Stacey Chase, Melissa Dungan, Tiffany Nelson, and Misty Odenweller. Board President Skeeter Hubert called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Hubert led the invocation and Mrs. Chase led the pledges.

Special Recognition

The Board of Trustees gave special recognition to the following:

- Read for a Better Life Initiative Recognized annually, Dr. Hedith Sauceda-Upshaw, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, shared brief remarks about the importance of reading.
- District of Distinction Award, Texas Art Education Association Conroe ISD received the honor for providing a well-rounded education that promotes and integrates visual arts curriculum to inspire creativity and connect learners to their community and beyond.
- The Woodlands High School UIL Class 6A Lone Star Cup Winner For the ninth time, The Woodlands High School has been named the winner of the UIL Class 6A Lone Star Cup trophy. Also winning the Lone Star Cup in 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2017, 2018, and 2021, The Woodlands now has the most wins of all time.
- Forbes America's Best-in-State Employers 2023, Human Resources Department Conroe ISD was recently named a Best-in-State Employer for 2023 by Forbes and is one of six school districts on the list. Human Resources Executive Director Paula Green accepted this award on behalf of the endless efforts of the Conroe ISD Human Resources Department.

Citizen Participation

The following citizen(s) addressed the Board

- Theresa Neman
- Douglas Laws
- Gulshan Singh
- Monica Lora
- Alexander Harris
- Robert Holden
- Paul Laskoski
- Brent Veazey

- Michele Nuckolls
- Nicole Guillory
- Teresa Kenney
- April Kerze
- Melissa Raupp
- Bryce Speer
- Rachel Walker
- Luis Pedraza

- Amber Sullivan
- Kristin Johnson
- Audrey Warner
- Shayla Davison
- Tina Orebaugh
- Brent Maddux

Consent Agenda

The Board of Trustees approved the following items on the Consent Agenda as presented:

- Minutes from the August 15, 2023, Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting and the September 5, 2023, Special Board Meeting
- Amendment to the 2023-2024 Budget
- Employment of Professional Personnel
- Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System (T-TESS) Appraisers
- Read for a Better Life Resolution

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- 2023-2024 Estimated Annual Expenditures by Category and Authorize the Superintendent to Negotiate and Execute Contracts with the Selected Vendors not to Exceed the Aggregate Estimate for Each Category
- Resolution Authorizing the District to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Education Service Center Region 11 and Authorize the Superintendent to Negotiate and Execute any Documents Necessary to Effectuate the Agreement

The Board of Trustees discussed and approved a contract with Communities in Schools.

Administration

Mr. Chris McCord, Assistant Superintendent of Operations, presented an attendance zones update for elementary schools in the Caney Creek High School and Conroe High School Attendance Zones.

The Board of Trustees approved an Interlocal Agreement with The Woodlands Township Relating to Decommissioned School Buses. The agreement allows The Woodlands Township to use the buses for training their Fire Department personnel. Once training is complete, The Woodlands Township, at their expense, will take the buses to a recycling center for disposal. The recycling center will issue a check to Conroe ISD for the scrap value of the school buses.

Teaching and Learning

The Board of Trustees received the 2022-2023 School Health Advisory Council Report and appointed members to the 2023-2024 School Health Advisory Council.

Planning and Construction

Mr. Easy Foster, Director of Planning and Construction, presented the progress and status of current capital improvement projects.

Business/Purchasing

The Board of Trustees approved to award RFP #23-06-04 HVAC Refrigerants to Summit Refrigerants, The Home Depot Pro, and United Refrigeration, Inc.

Business/Finance

The Board of Trustees adopted the following annual resolutions:

- Resolution Approving the District's Investment Program
- Resolution Approving the Sources of Instruction Relating to Investment Responsibilities
- Resolution Designating the District's Investment Officers
- Resolution Approving the List of Qualified Investment Brokers

The Board of Trustees accepted the year-to-date financial reports for information as presented by Mrs. Karen Garza, Director of Finance.

Legal

The Board of Trustees adopted a resolution to declare a good cause exception for House Bill 3 armed security guard requirement. The resolution establishes that the District is claiming a good cause exception due to the lack of available commissioned peace officers employed as security personnel. The Resolution also sets out the District's alternative standard, which is the best option to meet the District's security needs. The Conroe ISD Police Department continues to recruit, hire, and train commissioned peace officers to help ensure the safety of its students, staff, and facilities.

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The Board nominated the following qualified candidates for the 2024-2025 Montgomery Central Appraisal District Board of Directors Election:

- Bruce Tough
- Bonar Luzey II
- Arthur Bredehoft

Adjournment

President Skeeter Hubert adjourned the meeting at 10:32 p.m.

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