

## **Board of Trustees**

**January 27, 2022**

The Board of Trustees of the Crowley Independent School District met on Thursday, January 27, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Crowley ISD Administration Building, 512 Peach Street, Crowley, TX 76036. A quorum of Board members was present. The meeting was duly called and notice of the meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

### **ROLL CALL**

#### **THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:**

June W. Davis  
Gary Grassia  
Mia Hall  
La Tonya Mayfield  
Ryan Ray  
Nedra Robinson

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Celebrations / Board Points of Pride**

Trustee Mayfield shared about recently attending a NC 9<sup>th</sup> Panther Pearls meeting. During her comments she stated “it was a privilege to attend this meeting.” The group of young ladies work to encourage, uplift and to cultivate our young ladies as they being to mature and matriculate through high school.” Dr. Mayfield commended the campus principal, Mrs. Colecia Williams the group founder, Ms. April Carter Brown, as well as the student group members for working in conjunction with the Tarrant Area Food Bank to provide 3,112 meals to families of the City of Fort Worth.

Trustee Davis stated “our district motto for the 21 – 22 school year is ‘Act like a family...work like a team.’ Across the district, in every department, staff members have stepped up to support our students. Regardless of position, Crowley staff is working with HR to fill substitute vacancies. She added “we are all hands-on deck for arrival, dismissal and lunch to ensure student learning can continue.” Trustee Davis commended Dr. McFarland for recently working at Summer Creek Middle School to help provide substitute teacher coverage in an Algebra class.

During her closing comments, Trustee Davis commended students representing the NCHS Honor Society and the Black Student Union for “showing up” in great numbers to support the Tarrant Area Food Bank distribution at Jackie Carden Elementary on Tuesday, January 18, 2022. Each month, on the third Tuesday of the month, The Tarrant Area Food Bank brings its mobile pantry to Jackie Carden Elementary School.

Board Assistant Secretary Ryan Ray recognized Coach Cates and the NCHS swim team for advancing to Regionals on February 4<sup>-5</sup> in Mansfield. All six relays are moving on to regionals,

the boys 200 free play placed 3<sup>rd</sup> overall, and Ryan Luong beat a school record in the 100 breaststroke that was set in 2000.

During his closing comments, Trustee Ray also thanked CISD staff for all of the work that has been done to help decrease the number of positive COVID cases.

Board Secretary Nedra Robinson shared that on January 5, 2022 over 1,400 CISD educators logged on virtually to prepare themselves for the second semester. Susanne Malone, the Clinical Director of MHMR, led sessions on trauma informed care for educators and how trauma impacts the brain. During her closing statement, Trustee Robinson stated “our educators are able to more purposefully impact students not only academically, but, by also being able to help meet their social emotional needs, as well.”

Board Vice President Gary Grassia stated “Being a huge supporter of Fine Arts programs, I am extremely excited about the CISD Fine Arts Showcase,” which is scheduled to take place on Saturday, January 29, 2022 at CHS Senter Gymnasium. This event will include the drumlines from CHS and NCHS, the drill teams representing both campuses, and the color guard among others. Trustee Grassia added “I am looking forward to next year and this event being hosted in the brand new CISD Sports Complex.” During his closing comments he stated, “Please support these great Fine Arts programs.”

Board President Dr. Mia Hall commented on the H.F. Stevens Eagle Showcase which took place on January 11, 2022, and how this event brought the course selection guide to life. Families were able to visit tables and hear presentations to help them better understand the various classes and programs available to students. Dr. Hall added “I want to commend Principal Buckhalton for the innovation, creativity and attention to detail that was given while planning this event to help ensure that our students and parents are well informed about making decisions that will impact their high school careers as they move forward.

## **Recognition Item(s)**

### **School Board Recognition Month**

Crowley ISD joins school districts across the state in celebrating January as School Board Recognition Month. Our trustees are extraordinary volunteers who play a crucial role in our schools and in our community. They receive no pay for their dedicated efforts. They not only volunteer their time and effort for our local schools, but they also speak up for our system of public education on a statewide level. These public servants attend meetings, read detailed reports, listen to parents’ concerns and do the hard work to benefit the students and the community at large. They bring a variety of skills and backgrounds to their task, and they take their responsibilities seriously. And the whole community benefits from their vigilance in providing great schools.

Each January, CISD takes time to pause in our regular activities to say THANK YOU to these dedicated volunteers. We appreciate their generous sharing of time and energy on behalf of our children and our communities. Crowley ISD school board members are "Rising Above" in our district.

2021-22 Crowley ISD Board of Trustees:

Dr. Mia Hall, President

Gary Grassia, Vice President

Nedra Robinson, Secretary

Ryan Ray, J.D., Assistant Secretary

June W. Davis, Trustee

Dr. La Tonya Mayfield, Trustee

**Digital Learning Student Recognitions**

The students recognized this evening have completed the most lessons for the month of December using CISD's Digital Learning Platforms.

- K-5 DreamBox Winners (Math)
- K-5 Lexia Core 5 and Amplify Reading
- Vizzle (Functional Academics and Life Skills)
- 6-8 Waggle and Zinc

**Texas Music Educators Association (TMEA) All-State Band**

Aaron Indolos, a member of the North Crowley High School band, will perform with the Texas All-State Jazz Ensemble in San Antonio, Saturday, Feb. 12 as part of the 2022 Texas Music Educators Association Clinic/Convention.

Aaron was chosen for this prestigious honor through a competitive process held this year across the state at district, region, and area levels. Competing against jazz bass trombone players from all across the state, he placed third overall. Aaron is a student of Logan Davis and plays at school under the direction of Christopher Sample who is a member of the Texas Music Educators Association, a 14,000+ member organization headquartered in Austin.

This is Aaron's first time to perform as a member of a TMEA All-State organization. He is the son of Martin and Rosalyn Indolos.

All-State is the highest honor a Texas music student can receive. 1,875 students are selected through a process that began with over 70,000 students from around the state vying for this honor to perform in one of 18 ensembles. This competitive process begins throughout the state in auditions hosted by 33 TMEA Regions. Individual musicians perform selected music for a panel of judges who rank each instrument or voice part. From this ranking, a select group of musicians advances from their Region to compete against musicians from other areas in eight TMEA Area competitions. The highest-ranking musicians judged at the TMEA Area competitions qualify to perform in a TMEA All-State music group. Only the top 2.6% of musicians who initially audition become All-State musicians.

**Heartbeat Team Award**

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Cassandra Flores, Special Services instructional aide, received the recognition of the January 2022 Heartbeat Team Award winner.

## **Campus / Program Highlights**

### **Student and Staff First Semester Attendance Awards**

First Semester Attendance Recognitions 2021-2022

As part of Crowley ISD's focus on improving student and staff attendance rates, the district presented campus attendance awards for the fall 2021 semester.

The campuses with the highest Average Daily Attendance rates for the fall 2021 semester are listed below:

Student Attendance Awards

Elementary: Dallas Park Elementary

Secondary: Summer Creek Middle School

Staff Attendance Awards

Elementary: David Walker Elementary

Secondary: Bill R. Johnson CTE Center

### **Summer Creek Middle School Student Council Presentation**

Student Council representatives from Summer Creek Middle School presented a report on their campus and community engagement projects for the 2021-22 school year.

## **Open Forum**

**The following individuals spoke during open forum:**

Bonnie Barksdale

Kendyll Locke

Ashley Andrade

Joy Loftin

Cayton McDonald

Mysti Shain

Topsy Mathis

Diana M. Acosta

Diana A. San Roman

Angie Hunt

Italia De La Cruz

Sally Matzen

Yolanda Rawlston

## **Report Items**

### **National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Accreditation for the Employee Child Development Center**

The Crowley ISD Employee Child Development Center has earned accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)—the world's largest organization working on behalf of young children. There are over 380 licensed programs in Fort

Worth and only eight are accredited by NAEYC. The journey to accreditation was led by Kenya Jackson, Director of the CISD Employee Child Development Center.

### **Buyboard Purchasing Cooperative Rebate**

Crowley ISD is a member of the local government purchasing cooperative, BuyBoard. The cooperative helps school districts and other government entities streamline the procurement process and increase our purchasing power. Each year, the cooperative issues rebates to its members proportional to the amount of their purchases on the BuyBoard. The district allows the cooperative to collect a vendor fee up to two percent of the purchase price paid, and those fees are then provided as a rebate to the district. In order to comply with TEC 44.0331, the district must report the annual rebate amount to the Board.

Crowley ISD has received a rebate check of \$64,271.00 for the 2020-21 fiscal year as a result of the district's purchases made through the cooperative.

In the last year, CISD has used the BuyBoard to purchase a variety of products, including services, supplies and equipment.

### **No. 8313 Consent Agenda**

Member (**Ryan Ray**) Moved, Member (**Nedra Robinson**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Recommend the approval of Consent Agenda as presented '. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye:6 Nay: 0. The motion Carried unanimously 6 – 0.

June W. Davis	Yes
Gary Grassia	Yes
Mia Hall	Yes
La Tonya Mayfield	Yes
Ryan Ray	Yes
Nedra Robinson	Yes

- Approval of Consent Agenda
- Approval of the December 16, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes and the January 13, 2022 Called Board Meeting Minutes
- Financial Statements
- Budget Amendment
- Board Policy Update 118
- Ratification of Instruction Materials Allotment (IMA) TEKS Verification
- FAA Aviation Workforce Development Grant Program
- May 7, 2022 Board of Trustees Election – Order of Election
- May 7, 2022 Crowley ISD Board of Trustees Election Resolution to Enter into Joint Elections Agreement with the City of Crowley
- May 7, 2022 Crowley ISD Board of Trustees Election Resolution to Enter into joint Election Agreement with the Tarrant County Elections

**Consideration and Possible Action Item(s)**

No action was taken.

**Future Action Item(s)**

**Student Transportation Services Request for Proposals (RFP)**

Crowley ISD's contract with Durham School Services, L.P., for the provision of student transportation services, will expire on June 30, 2022. As such, CISD will advertise a Transportation Services Request for Proposals (RFP) for Student Transportation Services. This solicitation will require that prospective vendors submit pricing for the provision of Student

Transportation Services under two (2) distinct scenarios:

Scenario 1- if the District purchases/owns its own bus fleet; and

Scenario 2- if the Transportation Services provider owns the bus fleet that is assigned to CISD.

**Executive Session**

The Board of Trustees convened in Executive Session beginning at 8:15 p.m. and returned to open session at 10:52 p.m.

**Consideration and Possible Action Item(s)**

**No. 8314 Land Easements and Property Conveyance for Crowley ISD Sports Complex and New Central Administration Building**

Member (**Nedra Robinson**) Moved, Member (**Ryan Ray**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Recommend approval of the land easements and the conveyance of land to Crowley ISD for the new Sports Complex and Central Administration Building as presented.' Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye:6 Nay: 0. The motion Carried unanimously 6 – 0.

June W. Davis	Yes
Gary Grassia	Yes
Mia Hall	Yes
La Tonya Mayfield	Yes
Ryan Ray	Yes
Nedra Robinson	Yes

There being no further business, the president declared the meeting was adjourned at 10:53 p.m.

PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_

SECRETARY \_\_\_\_\_

ASSISTANT SECRETARY \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED 3/10/2022 \_\_\_\_\_