

## **Board of Trustees**

**April 10, 2025**

The Board of Trustees of the Crowley Independent School District met on Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the New Central Administration, 1900 Crowley Pride Drive, Fort Worth, Texas, 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:**

Daryl Davis  
Gary Grassia  
Mia Hall  
La Tonya Mayfield  
Nedra Robinson  
Kelicia Stevenson

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

### **Ability Games**

On Tuesday, April 1, students of all abilities came together at the Crowley ISD Multi-Purpose Stadium for the annual Ability Games, a joyful celebration of inclusion, teamwork, and determination. The energy was unforgettable as participants competed in adaptive PE activities and field events, filling the day with laughter, cheers, and endless smiles. Physical activity plays a vital role in promoting health, building confidence, and fostering a sense of community, and the Ability Games truly exemplified these values. A heartfelt thank you to all the student and staff volunteers who helped make this incredible event possible! Your support ensured that every participant had an unforgettable experience. Crowley pride...unified!

### **Crowley High School**

We would like to give a huge shout out to Mr. Billingsley, Student Trustee Kennedy Nguyen, and the Crowley High School Student Voter Empowerment Club. As of April 3, they had registered over 46 students to vote. We are very proud of your civic engagement. Way to go!

### **Pre-K Roundup**

CISD is excited to welcome learners at the Pre-K/Kindergarten Roundup on Saturday, April 12—an event helping families prepare for a strong start to school. Early learning lays the foundation for academic success, and we’re recommitted to supporting every child. Check out this video.

### **Creating Possibilities Fair**

On Saturday, March 29 over 150 participants gathered for an exciting and inclusive event filled with family-friendly activities, interactive learning, and a strong sense of community. The Creating Possibilities Resource and Transition Fair event was an incredible opportunity for families and individuals to learn about available resources for students with disabilities, both during school and as they transition into post-graduation life. Participants had the chance to connect with local organizations and experts who provided valuable insights and support. The fair also included a family picnic, games, face painting, music and a sensory zone. It was an awesome event!

### **Para Appreciation**

On April 2, Crowley ISD proudly celebrated Paraprofessional Appreciation Day by honoring the dedicated individuals who support our students and staff with care, consistency, and commitment. Our paraprofessionals play a vital role in creating inclusive, engaging learning environments where every student can thrive. We are deeply grateful for their unwavering service and the heart they bring to our schools each and every day. We appreciate you

### **Future Chefs**

On March 28, Crowley ISD proudly celebrated the creativity and culinary talents of our students during the Sodexo Future Chefs competition. Congratulations to our winners: Maggie Flores, a 3rdgrader from Parkway Elementary, earned 1st place with her dish Lil'Magg Tostadita; Faizah Akanni, a 4th grader from David L. Walker Elementary, won 2nd place with Spaghetti and Mini Meatballs; and Presley B. Benback, a 5th grader from Bess Race Elementary, took 3rd place with Chicken and Potatoes with a Dijon Cream Sauce. We are so proud of all the young chefs who showcased their skills and passion in the kitchen!

### **North Crowley High School**

Roundup on Monday, April 7, North Crowley High School had the honor of hosting Dean Frank Hernandez from TCU College of Education. During his visit, the school shared insights on how the Go Center operates, highlighted its collaboration with administrators and teachers, and showcased the progress made this year. Two seniors also had the opportunity to discuss their experiences in the Go Center and their exciting college plans. A sincere thank you to Dean Hernandez for taking the time to visit; we know that he left feeling inspired by the students' success stories. We look forward to creating more future frogs!

### **Recognition Item(s)**

#### **Scholarships Awarded by The Society, Incorporated: Tarrant County pearls Chapter**

The Society, Incorporated, is a non-profit national organization of women dedicated to enhancing, exposing and promoting youth in the arts for the betterment of our communities. The organization was founded 38 years ago, by four women who conceived the idea of organizing a group of professional women of color who shared the goals of friendship and service. The outcome of their efforts was the establishment of The Society as an organization to promote friendship among members and serve as a resource in the arts for young people. The membership currently consists of 41 chapters in 15 states. With a focus on under-served children, we provide support for young literary, visual, and performing artists.

The Society Incorporated Tarrant County Pearls Chapter would like to further our national and local objectives of supporting talented youth in the arts and applaud the Crowley Black History Bowl. The level of sophistication and broad scope of activities of this program shows the dedication of the staff and the enthusiasm of the children. To that end, the Tarrant County Pearls would like to support these talented young people. We would like to offer a scholarship to Black History Quiz Bowl secondary division winners and special recognition and incentives for elementary quiz bowl winners.

### **Open Forum**

No one spoke during the open forum.

## **Future Action Item**

### **Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Board Call for Nominations: Region 11, Position A**

The Crowley ISD Board of Trustees is invited to nominate a trustee from the Crowley ISD Board of Trustees for the Region 11, Position A Seat on the TASB Board.

The position is currently held by Julie Cole (Hurst-Euless-Bedford ISD). Cole has indicated that she will be seeking reelection. The term of this position is for three years beginning at the close of the 2025 TASA | TASB Convention and expiring after Convention 2028.

The Role of TASB Directors:

TASB Directors actively promote TASB's mission and purposes. Directors also supervise and direct the affairs of the Association on behalf of you, our members. The TASB Board is composed of members from all 20 TASB regions, which follow the boundaries of the education service centers. Local boards in each region, who are Active Members, are eligible to nominate trustees for vacancies in their regions.

Nominations Timeline:

This year, the nominations period is March 3-May 9. You may notice that this is earlier than usual. With the 2025 Delegate Assembly set for Sept. 13, we have adjusted the timeline to ensure ample opportunity for your board to participate in the process.

Nominations must be received by TASB no later than Friday, May 9, 2025.

### **District Wider Wireless Network Refresh**

Wireless Upgrade as Part of the 2023 Bond Project

The wireless network upgrade is a crucial component of the 2023 Bond Project. Here are the detailed reasons for this necessary upgrade:

- Exponential increase in devices: Since the installation of our current wireless network, the number of devices connected to it has increased exponentially. This surge in device usage has put a significant strain on the existing infrastructure, necessitating an upgrade to accommodate the growing demand.
- Replacement of aging infrastructure: Our current wireless network infrastructure is at its end of life. Upgrading to a new system will ensure reliability and efficiency for a minimum of the next 10 years. This proactive replacement will prevent potential disruptions and maintain seamless connectivity.
- Enhanced capacity and coverage: The upgrade will significantly increase the capacity and coverage of our wireless network. This improvement will be particularly beneficial in high-traffic areas such as gyms, outdoor spaces, and hallways, ensuring robust and consistent connectivity throughout these locations.
- Increased safety and security: The addition of access points will enhance safety and security. This upgrade will provide the Police Department with critical communication capabilities within the halls and outside the building, ensuring swift and effective response in case of emergencies.

### **Instructional Materials Adoption 2025 – 2026**

For the 2025-2026 school year, the district is identifying high-quality publishers and materials for social studies and science in collaboration with teachers, district and campus administration and instructional leaders. Samples of publishers were presented to a committee, and the top selections were available for public review. All resources have been designated High Quality

Instructional Materials by the State Board of Education. The final recommendation for adoption will be brought before the board as an action item in April.

### **Executive Session**

The Board of Trustees convened in Executive Session beginning at 6:18 p.m. and returned to open session at 6:47 p.m.

### **Report Item(s)**

#### **College Prep Academy at Baylor Elementary School**

The administration will provide a preview of the College Prep Academy at Baylor Elementary School. This expansion of the current Crowley College Prep Elementary School is a strategic approach to student enrollment with space to grow the program at Baylor Elementary and will include:

- A two-school model (Lower and Upper) for targeted academic planning
- Additional state funding and grant opportunities
- Partnership opportunities with higher education institutions
- Expand Crowley ISD's portfolio of academic options

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

#### **No. 8709 Principal Appointments and / or Reassignments:**

##### **8.1A Baylor Elementary School**

Member (**Nedra Robinson**) Moved; Member (**Gary Grassia**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'I recommend Bianca Green for the position of Principal of College Prep at Baylor Elementary School as recommended'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: (6) Nay: (0). The motion passed unanimously 6-0.

Daryl Davis	Yes
Gary Grassia	Yes
Mia Hall	Yes
La Tonya Mayfield	Yes
Nedra Robinson	Yes
Kelicia Stevenson	Yes

#### **No. 8710 Principal Appointments and / or Reassignments:**

##### **8.2A Baylor Elementary School**

Member (**La Tonya Mayfield**) Moved; Member (**Gary Grassia**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'I confirm the reassignment of Dr. Falicia Tate for the position of Lower School PreK2 Principal of College Prep at Baylor Elementary School as recommended'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: (6) Nay: (0). The motion passed unanimously 6-0.

Daryl Davis	Yes
Gary Grassia	Yes

Mia Hall	Yes
La Tonya Mayfield	Yes
Nedra Robinson	Yes
Kelicia Stevenson	Yes

**No. 8711 Principal Appointments and / or Reassignments:  
8.1B Crowley Montessori Academy**

Member (**Mia Hall**) Moved; Member (**Gary Grassia**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'I confirm the reassignment of Robert Gillies for the position of Executive Principal Crowley Montessori Academy as recommended'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: (6) Nay: (0). The motion passed unanimously 6-0.

Daryl Davis	Yes
Gary Grassia	Yes
Mia Hall	Yes
La Tonya Mayfield	Yes
Nedra Robinson	Yes
Kelicia Stevenson	Yes

**No. 8712 Principal Appointments and / or Reassignments:  
8.2B Crowley Montessori Academy**

Member (**Kelicia Stevenson**) Moved; Member (**Gary Grassia**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'I recommend Gerardo Moreno for the position of Principal in Residence to Crowley Montessori Academy as recommended'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: (6) Nay: (0). The motion passed unanimously 6-0.

Daryl Davis	Yes
Gary Grassia	Yes
Mia Hall	Yes
La Tonya Mayfield	Yes
Nedra Robinson	Yes
Kelicia Stevenson	Yes

There being no further business, the president declared the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

PRESIDENT 

SECRETARY 