

## **Board of Trustees**

**May 11, 2023**

The Board of Trustees of the Crowley Independent School District met on Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Crowley ISD Administration Building, 1900 Crowley Pride Drive, Fort Worth, 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  
Daryl Davis  
Gary Grassia  
Dr. Mia Hall  
Dr. La Tonya Mayfield  
Kelicia Stevenson

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

### **Richard Allie Middle School**

Richard Allie RAMS stepped up to STAAR with confidence. They started with Super STAAR Saturdays to prep and review and then hosted a week of themed dress up days. April 25th, they wore their favorite sweats, May 2nd team jerseys, May 3rd was superhero shirt day and May 9th the RAMS wore neon, shine and sparkles because their future was so bright.

### **Esports**

Congratulations to Crowley Collegiate Academy senior Osvaldo Provencio on claiming the 2023 Vanta State Championship in Super Smash Bros. on May 7th at the Esports Stadium in Arlington. By winning the title, Provencio, who was one of only eight players to qualify for the finals, and became the first state champion in program history.

### **Spring Family Festival**

April 29 was a big day in Crowley ISD. Our annual Spring Family Festival included a student, teacher and paraprofessional job fair, disability resource fair, prekindergarten registration, early voting, a SciSTEM Fair, food, games and more! It was a huge family event, and we could not have done it without the whole team working together!

### **AANHPI Heritage Month**

The month of May is Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, which celebrates the histories of Americans hailing from across the Asian continent and from the Pacific islands of Melanesia, Micronesia and Polynesia. In Crowley ISD, diversity is our superpower, and we celebrate you and the richness of the culture you share with us.

## **Crowley Montessori**

Crowley Montessori students, staff, and families enjoyed an Earth Day Celebration on Thursday, April 20. Families learned how they could compost at home, recycle plastic bags into kites, make "delicious gummie worm snacks", play with worms, and other fun activities. Families also had an opportunity to see beautiful flowers planted by our students.

## **All-Star Celebration**

Earlier today we had a chance to celebrate our Teachers of the Year, Employees of the Year, Service Award Recipients and Retirees. We understand that it's the people who make Crowley ISD a great place to be and you are our all-stars. Make sure to visit our website to see an amazing group picture created by Matt Hoover of all Teachers of the Year.

## **Teachers, Maintenance, Grounds, School Nurses & School Lunch Hero Appreciation**

The end of the year requires us to work like a team here in Crowley ISD. From STAAR testing, to setting up for big events, to keeping our buildings cool and our students healthy and well fed, there is so much to be thankful for and so many people to thank.

- Maintenance and grounds employees, we appreciate you!
- Teachers you are amazing!
- School lunch heroes you rock!
- School nurses we couldn't have made it without you!

You provide an excellent educational experience for our students. Thank you for contributing to another great school year here in Crowley ISD.

## **Superintendent Report**

Dr. McFarland noted that there are only two weeks of school remaining in the 2022-2023 Crowley ISD school year and thanked all parents for entrusting the district with their children. Additionally, he thanked the Board for allowing him the opportunity to serve alongside of the CISD Administrative staff. Dr. McFarland stated, "Up to this point, it has been an amazing school year and I truly believe the best is yet to come." He added, "The vision and foresight has been realized in Crowley ISD and our stakeholders spoke in one voice saying "excellence for all" as the \$1.04 billion-dollar Bond Election passed."

Dr. McFarland thanked the CISD community and the Board of Trustees for all of their support. In light of recent acts of violence that have occurred throughout our country as well as, within the state of Texas, Dr. McFarland asked for a moment of silence to reflect upon the lives and families impacted by the tragedy that occurred at the outlet mall in Allen, Texas on May 6, 2023. During his closing comments, Dr. McFarland reminded parents, students and staff about the importance to re-focus our efforts regarding school safety and security as the district prepares to close out the school year. He reinforced that all current safety protocols are being reviewed and informed stakeholders that the district has partnered with local law enforcement agencies to ensure a smooth end of a very successful school year. Dr. McFarland urged parents, students and staff to give special attention to district security mitigation efforts which will result in stricter re-enforcement of all current safety procedures.

## **Report Item(s)**

### **Quarterly Review Department Presentation: Student Services: Fine Arts**

The Fine Arts update is being presented as a means to share the progress of each group. These groups consist of Art, Band, Cheer, Choir, Dance, Elementary Music, Honor Choir, Mariachi, Theatre & Elementary UIL A+ Academics, High School UIL Academics.

### **Summer Learning Preview**

The administration provided a preview of Crowley ISD Summer Programs designed to accelerate, enrich and extend instructional opportunities for approximately 1,700 students at campuses across the District.

### **Open Forum**

No one spoke during open forum.

### **Special Recognition**

Superintendent, Dr. Michael D. McFarland and CISD Board of Trustees publicly commended and congratulated Mr. Nicholas Keith, CISD Chief Academic Officer on his recent promotion to join the Texas Education Agency (TEA) as the Executive Director of High-Quality Instruction Materials. Dr. McFarland thanked Mr. Keith for sharing his talents with Crowley ISD and referred to him as a “gifted leader and an obsessive learner.”

### **Future Action Item(s)**

#### **Finance Update**

The administration will provide a Finance Update including the latest legislative considerations and compensation targets for the 2023-2024 school year.

#### **Executive Session**

The Board of Trustees convened in Executive Session beginning at 7:38 p.m. and returned to open session at 8:44 p.m.

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

#### **No. 8481 Approval of Superintendent Goals and Evaluation Cycle**

No action was taken.

#### **No. 8482 Employment of Administrative Personnel – Crowley High School Boys Basketball Coach**

Member (**Daryl Davis**) Moved, Member (**Kelicia Stevenson**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Recommend approval of Demarcus James for the position of Crowley High School Boys Basketball Coach, as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 6 Nay: 0. The motion Carried unanimously 6 – 0.

Daryl Davis	Yes
June W. Davis	Yes
Gary Grassia	Yes
Mia Hall	Yes
Dr. La Tonya Mayfield	Yes
Kelicia Stevenson	Yes

**No. 8483 Possible Naming of Chief Academic Officer**

Member (**Gary Grassia**) Moved, Member (**Kelicia Stevenson**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion ' Recommend approval of Anna Roe for the position of Chief Academic Officer, as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 6 Nay: 0. The motion Carried unanimously 6 – 0.

Daryl Davis	Yes
June W. Davis	Yes
Gary Grassia	Yes
Mia Hall	Yes
Dr. La Tonya Mayfield	Yes
Kelicia Stevenson	Yes

**No. 8484 20232 – 2024 Professional Staff Contracts**

Member (**Gary Grassia**) Moved, Member (**Kelicia Stevenson**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion ' Recommend approval of 2023-2024 Professional Staff Contracts, as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 6 Nay: 0. The motion Carried unanimously 6 – 0.

Daryl Davis	Yes
June W. Davis	Yes
Gary Grassia	Yes
Mia Hall	Yes
Dr. La Tonya Mayfield	Yes
Kelicia Stevenson	Yes

**No. 8485 2023 – 2024 Administrative Staff Contracts**

Member (**Daryl Davis**) Moved, Member (**Kelicia Stevenson**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion ' Recommend approval of 2023-2024 Administrative Staff Contracts, as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 6 Nay: 0. The motion Carried unanimously 6 – 0.

Daryl Davis	Yes
June W. Davis	Yes
Gary Grassia	Yes
Mia Hall	Yes
Dr. La Tonya Mayfield	Yes
Kelicia Stevenson	Yes

There being no further business, the president declared the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_

SECRETARY \_\_\_\_\_

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