Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Monday, February 24, 2025 **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, February 24, 2025 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: Victor Perez, Amy Thieme, Mary Ellen Cuzela, Dawn Champagne, Lance Redmon, Rebecca Fox, and Morgan Calhoun.

1. Call to Order

At 5:00 p.m. Board President Victor Perez called the meeting to order. Superintendent, Dr. Ken 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

- 2.1 Exley Elementary student to lead the pledges of allegiance. Student from Exley Elementary led the Pledges of Allegiance.
- 2.2 Members of the Mayde Creek High School Small Brass Ensemble will perform the National Anthem. Mayde Creek High School Small Brass Ensemble performed the National Anthem.

Recognitions 3.

3.1 Recognize new principals for Mayde Creek Elementary and Nottingham Country Elementary. Dr. Ken Gregorski, Superintendent recognized new principals for Mayde Creek Elementary and Nottingham Country Elementary, Miranda Cummings and Krista Gillaspia.

4. Public Comment/Citizen Participation

- 4.1 Public comment on posted agenda items.
 - a) Yarrow Sledge spoke regarding item 10.1, policy CW Local.
 - b) Teresa McMeans spoke regarding item 10.1, policy CW Local.
 - c) Christina Borgstedte spoke regarding item 10.1, policy CW Local.
 - d) Angie Waller spoke regarding item 10.1, policy CW Local.
 - e) Jarred Burton spoke regarding item 10.1, policy CW Local. f) Traci Malloy spoke regarding item 10.1, policy CW Local.

 - g) Anne Russey spoke about item 10.1, policy CW Local.
 - h) Patti Lacy spoke regarding item 10.1, policy CW Local. Claudia Turcott spoke about item 10.1, policy CW Local. i)
 - Chancie Davis spoke about item 10.1, policy CW Local. i)

4.2 Public comment on non-agenda items.

- a) Tana Weiss spoke regarding Board behavior and recognized namesakes in attendance.
- b) Rebecca Trahan spoke regarding parental rights and HB1605.
- c) Shatynna Smith spoke regarding self-containment.
- d) Jennifer Schnaidt spoke regarding teacher planning time.

5. Closed Meeting

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 <u>Discuss and consider Board approval for employees who are being recommended to receive administrative probationary, administrative term, staff member probationary, and staff member term contracts.</u> (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 <u>Discuss the superintendent's quarterly evaluation</u>. (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 will reconvene from Closed Meeting. Board President Victor Perez called the meeting to order.

Board Member Amy Thieme moved Mary Ellen Cuzela seconded that the Board of Trustees approve contracts for employees who are being recommended to receive administrative probationary, administrative term, staff member probationary and staff member term contracts as discussed and presented in closed session.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

7. Reports

7.1 Special Education - Focusing on Developing Essential Academic, Social, and Life Skills. Dr. Gwen Coffey, Assistant Superintendent for Special Education presented.

8. Public Hearing

- 8.1 Presentation on the 2023-2024 Annual Report to include the Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR). Natalie Martinez, Executive Director of School Improvement presented.
- 8.2 <u>Public Hearing on the Annual Report to include the Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR)</u> 2023-2024. No speakers signed up.

<u>Full Consent Agenda Option</u>: Moved by Lance Redmon second by Mary Ellen Cuzela that the Board of Trustees approve of the Consent Agenda for items 9.1 and 9.19.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9. Consent Agenda

2.1 Consider an Order Authorizing the Issuance of Katy Independent School District Unlimited Tax School Building and/or Refunding Bonds, as Term Rate Bonds and/or Fixed Rate Bonds in one or more series; setting certain parameters for the bonds; authorizing a Pricing Officer to approve the amount, the interest rate, price, including the terms thereof; and certain other procedures and provisions related thereto. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approves an Order Authorizing the Issuance of Katy Independent School District Unlimited Tax School Building and/or Refunding Bonds, as Term Rate Bonds and/or Fixed Rate Bonds in one or more series; setting certain parameters for the bonds; authorizing a Pricing Officer to approve the amount, the interest rate, price, including the terms thereof; and certain other procedures and provisions related thereto.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.2 Consider Board approval of a Resolution Expressing Intent to Defease/Redeem Certain of the District's Outstanding Bonds. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approves the Resolution Expressing Intent to Defease Certain of the District's Outstanding Bonds.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.3 Consider Board approval of a Resolution Declaring Intention to Reimburse Project Expenditures. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approve a Resolution Declaring Intention to Reimburse Project Expenditures.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.4 <u>Consider Board Approval of the December 2024 Financial Reports</u>. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approve the District's December 2024 Financial statements.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.5 <u>Consider Board approval of the February 2025 budget amendments</u>. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approves the District's February 2025 budget amendments.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.6 Consider Board approval of the 2025-2026 Property Insurance Program. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approves the 2025-2026 Property Insurance Program.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.7 Consider Board approval of the renewal of the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Risk Management Fund Casualty Program for Plan Year 2025-2026. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approve the renewal of the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Risk Management Fund Casualty program for Plan Year 2025-2026.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.8 Consider Board approval of Amendment Two to the Stewart Builders, LLC. contract related to the comprehensive renovations at Bear Creek Elementary School. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approves Amendment Two to the Stewart Builders, LLC. contract related to the comprehensive renovations at Bear Creek Elementary School for the Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$15,996,085.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.9 Consider Board approval of Amendment Two to the Anslow Bryant LTD. contract related to the renovation and building addition at Katy Junior High School. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approves Amendment Two to the Anslow Bryant LTD. contract related to the renovation and building addition at Katy Junior High School for the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) of 17,957,407.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.10 <u>Consider Board approval of the plat for Taylor High School</u>. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approves the plat for Taylor High School.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.11 Consider Board approval of the proposal for a contracted bus driver service. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approves the award of the proposal for a contracted bus driver service to GoldStar Transit Inc., in the amount not to exceed \$88,866.50 per bus route.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.12 <u>Consider Board approval of the proposed summer work schedule</u>. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approves the proposed summer work schedule as proposed by administration.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.13 Consider Board approval to award the Request for Proposal "RFP"2328AA Print Shop

Management of Katy ISD Printing Services to meet the immediate and long-term printing and
graphic design needs for the district. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that
the Board of Trustees awards RFP 2328AA Print Shop Management of Katy ISD Printing
Services to ImageNet to meet the immediate and long-term printing and graphic design needs for
the district.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.14 Consider Board approval to award the Request for Proposal "RFP"2329AA Maintenance and Service for Katy ISD Copier Fleet to provide maintenance and repair services for the district owned copier fleet. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees awards RFP 2329AA Maintenance and Service for Katy ISD Copier Fleet to ImageNet to provide maintenance and repair services for the district owned fleet.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.15 Consider Board approval of the contracts for the flooring replacement at Seven Lakes Junior High School, Stanley Elementary School, and Beckendorff Junior High School CTE computer lab. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approves the contract with Tarkett USA, Inc. for flooring replacements at Seven Lakes Junior High School, Stanley Elementary School, and the Beckendorff Junior High School CTE computer lab, utilizing Choice Partners No. 24/047TC-28 in the amount of \$2,212,910, including accepted alternates 1–4, with a total cost not to exceed \$2,404,076.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.16 Consider Board approval of Interlocal Agreements with Cinco Southwest Municipal Utility District No. 1, Cinco Southwest Municipal Utility District No. 2, Cinco Southwest Municipal Utility District No. 3, Cinco Southwest Municipal Utility District No. 4, and Katy Independent School District. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approves the Interlocal Agreements with Cinco Southwest Municipal Utility District No. 1 (\$15,000), Cinco Southwest Municipal Utility District No. 3 (\$12,500), Cinco Southwest Municipal Utility District No. 3 (\$50,000), and Katy Independent School District to construct an asphalt walking track at Tom Wilson Elementary.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.17 <u>Consider the refund of Katy Rotary Endowment Scholarship</u>. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees refund the Katy Rotary Endowment Scholarship.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

9.18 Consider Board approval of the minutes for the January Board meetings. Moved by Mary Ellen Cuzela second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of trustees approves the minutes for the January Board meetings.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

10. Discussion/Action

10.1 Consider update to Board policy CW Local. Moved by Board President, Victor Perez second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees postpone indefinitely the update to Board Policy CW Local until after the current Board elections on May 3, 2025.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

11. Information Items.

- 11.1 <u>Board Committee Updates</u>. Board President Victor Perez and Board members reported on committee meetings.
- 11.2 Recap of Board member requests for information.
 - Rebecca Fox requested a report on the voting tabulation for the Harris County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

12. Future Meetings

- 12.1 Board Work Study Meeting March 24, 2025. Board President Victor Perez announced there will be a Work Study Meeting on Monday, March 24, 2025.
- 12.2 Regular Board Meeting March 31, 2025. Board President Victor Perez announced that there would be a Regular Board meeting on Monday, March 31, 2025.

Board President, Victor Perez announced that the Board would adjourn into Closed meeting at 8:50 p.m. for further discussion of Closed items. The Board reconvened into Open meeting at 10:02 p.m.

13. Adjournment

Victor Perez Board President announced there being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. The time was 10:03 p.m.

Mary Ellen Cuzela

Secretary, Board of Trustees

REFERENCED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE IN BOARDDOCS BY MEETING DATE

Victor Per President, Board of Trust

Approved: March 31, 2025