

**Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting  
Monday, January 23, 2023  
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, January 23, 2023** 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: Greg Schulte, Lance Redmon, Ashley Vann, Dawn Champagne, Leah Wilson, Rebecca Fox and Victor Perez.

**1. Call to Order**

At 5:02 p.m. Board President Greg Schulte opened the meeting. Dr. 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**

Williams Elementary student led the pledges of allegiance.

**3. Recognitions**

3.1 Recognize the principals for Stephens Elementary and Schmalz Elementary. Dr. Ken Gregorski, Superintendent presented.

3.2 City of Katy proclamation in honor of School Board Recognition Month. Dr. Andrea Grooms, Chief Communications Officer presented.

3.3 Katy Independent School District Council of Parent Teacher Association book donation in honor of School Board Recognition Month. Shelley Keating, Katy ISD Council of PTAs President presented.

**4. Oaths**

Peace Officer Oath of Office – Katy Independent School District Police Officers. Katy ISD Police Captain Ivan Nelson presented the officers biography and Chief Henry Gaw followed with the swearing in of Officer Garren McLaughlin.

**5. Public Comment/Citizen Participation**

5.1 Public comment on posted agenda items.

- a) Traci Malloy spoke regarding Voting Rights Act – LDF Letter
- b) Shu Zhu spoke regarding the NAACP demands
- c) Jennifer Miers spoke regarding NAACP letter
- d) Anne Russey spoke regarding Agenda Item 10.5
- e) Sam Zhang spoke regarding NAACP letter
- f) Regina Johnson spoke regarding Agenda item 8.2 and 10.5
- g) Amy Traynor spoke regarding item 10.4
- h) Ligang Lei spoke regarding NAACP
- i) Claudia Turcott spoke regarding LDF letter
- j) Ryan Abt spoke regarding item 10.5
- k) Lillian Walcott spoke regarding item 10.5
- l) Xuemei Yang spoke regarding NAACP letter
- m) Hongzheng Jin spoke regarding at-large representation vs single member representation
- n) Angie Waller spoke regarding Item 10.4
- o) Quan Gu spoke regarding NAACP letter

5.2 Citizen Participation on non-agenda items.

- a) Phillip Haddad spoke regarding UIL oversight events held on KISD property & professionalism

- b) Rose Aznar spoke regarding UIL oversight events held on KISD property & professionalism
- c) Sadie Townsend spoke regarding Sexual Assault Awareness Day-Denim Day
- d) Luther Moller spoke regarding "Thanks for taking a stand"
- e) Janet Godfrey spoke regarding Katy Association of Texas Professional Educators-School Board Appreciation
- f) Audra Fuest spoke regarding author visit
- g) Danielle Gilman spoke regarding author visit
- h) Danielle Gilman spoke regarding author visit
- i) Shana Gallagher spoke regarding author visit
- j) Logan McLean spoke regarding the Trevor Project/Straub
- k) Andrea Norman spoke regarding Agenda item 10.5

6. **Closed Meeting**

Board President Greg Schulte announced that the Board was convening in Closed Meeting as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq. concerning the sections and purposes listed below.

- 6.1 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.)

7. **Reconvene from Closed Meeting**

The Board reconvened into Open Meeting at 7:01 p.m. Board President Greg Schulte called the meeting to order.

8. **Reports**

- 8.1 2023 - 2024 Budget Update. Christopher J. Smith, Chief Financial Officer presented.
- 8.2 Discipline Management Plan. Sherri Ashorn, Discipline and SHARS Administrator, Rahsan Smith, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary School Leadership and Support, Dr. Emily Craig, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary School Leadership and Support presented.

9. **Public Hearing**

- 9.1 Presentation on the 2021-2022 Annual Report to include the Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR). Natalie Martinez, M.Ed. presented.
- 9.2 Public Hearing on the 2021-2022 Annual Report to include the Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR).
- a) Regina Johnson spoke regarding item 9.1
  - b) Mary Ellen Cuzela spoke regarding item 9.1

10. **Discussion/Action**

- 10.1 Discuss and consider Board approval of naming Elementary School #45 as recommended by the Naming Advisory Committee. Dr. Andrea Grooms, Chief Communications Officer presented. Moved by Dawn Champagne second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees names Elementary #45, located at 25600 Longenbaugh Road, David and Terri Youngblood Elementary School as recommended by the Naming Advisory Committee.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 10.2 Discuss and consider Board approval of naming Elementary School #46 as recommended by the Naming Advisory Committee. Dr. Andrea Grooms, Chief Communications Officer presented. Moved by Ashley Vann second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees names Elementary #46, located at 25615 Clay Road, Russell and Cindie Faldyn Elementary School as recommended by the Naming Advisory Committee.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 10.3 Discuss and consider Board approval of the annual financial audit report. Christopher J. Smith, Chief Financial Officer, Lupe Garcia, Partner, Whitley Penn, LLP, Laura Lynch, Manager, Whitley Penn, LLP, Jamey Hynds, Executive Director of Finance, Kayla Smith, Director of Accounting presented. Moved by Lance Redmon second by Ashley Vann that the Board of Trustees approve the 2021-2022 annual financial audit report.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 10.4 Discuss and consider Board approval of an instructional materials adoption for elementary literacy resources to begin implementation district-wide in the 2023-2024 school year. Dr. Saneel Bell, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning presented. Moved by Leah Wilson second by Lance Redmon that the Board of Trustees approves the instructional materials adoption for elementary literacy resources to begin implementation district-wide in the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 10.5 Discuss and consider Board adoption of the Order calling for a regular election of the School Board Trustees to be held on May 6, 2023 and authorization of the Administration to provide official notice of the election as required by the Texas Election Code. Justin R. Graham, General Counsel and Elections Administrator presented. Moved by Lance Redmon second by Ashley Vann that the Board of Trustees adopts the Order Calling for a regular election of School Board Trustees to be held on May 6, 2023 and authorize the Administration to provide official notice of the election as required by the Texas Election Code.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 10.6 Discuss and consider Board approval of an amendment to the 2023-2024 Instructional Calendar. Dr. Andrea Grooms, Chief Communications Officer and Sherri Ashorn, Discipline and SHARS Administrator presented. Moved by Ashley Vann second by Leah Wilson that the Board of Trustees approve an amendment to the 2023-2024 Instructional Calendar.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 10.7 Discuss and consider Board approval of the 2024-2025 Instructional Calendar. Dr. Andrea Grooms, Chief Communications Officer and Sherri Ashorn, Discipline and SHARS Administrator presented. Moved by Leah Wilson second by Rebecca Fox that the Board of Trustees approves the 2024-2025 Instructional Calendar as presented by the administration.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 10.8 Discuss and consider Board approval of a Professional Development Waiver for the 2024-2025 instructional calendar. Sherri Ashorn, Discipline and SHARS Administrator presented. Moved by Ashley Vann second by Lance Redmon that the Board of Trustees approves a Professional Development Waiver for the 2024-2025 Instructional Calendar.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.



- 10.9 Discuss and consider Board approval to form a 2023 Community Bond Advisory Committee and approval of the Committee Charter. Dr. Andrea Grooms, Chief Communications Officer and Ted Vierling, Chief Operations Officer presented. Moved by Ashley Vann second by Lance Redmon that the Board of Trustees approves the formation of a 2023 Community Bond Advisory Committee and approves the Committee Charter.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 10.10 Discuss and consider the Board amending the total project costs for Junior High School #18, Elementary #45 and Katy Elementary School. Lisa Kassman, Executive Director of Facilities, Planning, and Construction presented. Moved by Lance Redmon second by Ashley Vann that the Board of Trustees amends the total project cost for Junior High School #18 to \$63,964,119., Elementary School #45 to \$40,011,018., and Katy Elementary School to \$26,732,207.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 10.11 Discuss and consider approval of the renewal proposal for Property Insurance. Lance N. Nauman, Director of Risk Management presented. Moved by Ashley Vann second by Dawn Champagne that the Board of Trustees approves the renewal proposal for Property Insurance as presented by USI for 2023.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

#### 11. Consent

##### Full Consent Agenda Option:

Moved by Lance Redmon second by Dawn Champagne that the Board of Trustees approves the Consent Agenda for items 11.1 through 11.8.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 11.1 Consider Board approval of the January 2023 budget amendments. Moved by Lance Redmon second by Dawn Champagne that the Board of Trustees approves the District's January 2023 budget amendments.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 11.2 Consider Board approval of the November 2022 Financial Reports. Moved by Lance Redmon second by Dawn Champagne that the Board of Trustees approves the District's November 2022 financial statements.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 11.3 Consider Board approval of the plat for Longenbaugh Road at Katy Hockley Road. Moved by Lance Redmon second by Dawn Champagne that the Board of Trustees approves the plat for Longenbaugh Road at Katy Hockley Road.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 11.4 Consider Board approval of the Interlocal Agreement with Willow Fork Drainage District for sidewalk additions at Beck Junior High School, Cinco Ranch Junior High School, and Cinco Ranch High School. Moved by Lance Redmon second by Dawn Champagne that the Board of Trustees approves the Interlocal Agreement with Willow Fork Drainage District for sidewalk additions at Beck Junior High School, Cinco Ranch Junior High School, and Cinco Ranch High School.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 11.5 Consider Board approval of an Interlocal Agreement Between Region 20, PACE Purchasing Cooperative and Katy Independent School District to purchase supplies and services. Moved by Lance Redmon second by Dawn Champagne that the Board of Trustees approves the interlocal agreement with PACE Purchasing Cooperative.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 11.6 Consider Board approval of the contract for Fiber Upgrades at District Junior High Schools CSP-2206 to Fisk Electric in the amount of \$113,125.00. Moved by Lance Redmon second by Dawn Champagne that the Board of Trustees awards the contract for Fiber Upgrades to Fisk Electric.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 11.7 Consider Board approval of the contract for Security Camera Upgrades at the District's Junior High Schools CSP-2204 to Accutek Technologies in the amount of \$890,219.00. Moved by Lance Redmon second by Dawn Champagne that the Board of Trustees awards the contract for Security Camera Upgrades to Accutek Technologies.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

- 11.8 Consider Board approval of the minutes for the December Board meetings. Moved by Lance Redmon second by Dawn Champagne that the Board of Trustees approves the minutes for the December Board meetings.

Motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

## 12. Information Items

- 12.1 Katy ISD Legislative Priorities Update. Rebecca Fox, Board Member presented.
- 12.2 Quarterly Investment Report. The Board was provided with the Quarterly Investment Report.
- 12.3 Cooperative Purchases Contract Management Fees Report for the 2021-2022 School Year. The Board was provided the Cooperative Purchases Contract Management Fees Report.
- 12.4 Donated Items to Katy Independent School District. The Board was provided the Donated Items list.
- 12.5 Recap of Board member requests for information.
- a) Request on item 8.2 to get feedback and ideas from other campuses regarding policy and their practices.
  - b) Request for feedback from campuses regarding cell phone use during the instructional day.

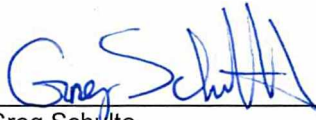
## 13. Future Meetings

- 13.1 Greg Schulte Board President announced that there will be a Special Board Meeting on February 20, 2023.
- 13.2 Greg Schulte Board President announced that the next Regular Board Meeting will be on Monday, February 27, 2023.

## 14. Adjournment

Board President Greg Schulte adjourned the meeting at 11:01 p.m.

**\*REFERENCED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE IN BOARDDOCS BY MEETING DATE\***



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Greg Schulte  
President, Board of Trustees



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Ashley Vann  
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Approved: February 27, 2023