

## **Board of Trustees**

**April 9, 2020**

The Board of Trustees of the Crowley Independent School District met in an Emergency Called Board Meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via teleconference pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.045 upon the following agenda.

Public participation in this meeting was made accessible by calling (346) 248-7799 or (669) 900-6833 (toll free) and using the meeting ID 357 234 5034# to join the teleconference.

A quorum of Board members was present. The meeting was duly called and notice of the meeting was posted in accordance with the provisions of Sections 551.041 and 551.045 of Texas Government Code, pursuant to public notice of this meeting and as allowed by the Texas Attorney's General issuance of temporary suspensions to certain Open Meeting laws due to the COVID-19 epidemic and closures

### **ROLL CALL**

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

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

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

##### **Update on Distance Learning Grading Guidelines During the COVID-19 Emergency**

The administration provided an update on grading guidelines for distance learning during the district's extended closure.

##### **Submission and Approval of Educator Appraisals Waiver to Texas Education Agency**

The Resolution Regarding Crowley ISD's Response to the COVID-19 Emergency approved by the Board on March 19, 2020, authorized the district to seek waivers for matters related to the emergency closure of schools.

A waiver for Educator Appraisals was submitted to TEA and was approved on April 1, 2020. The waiver allows for school districts and charter schools to waive Texas Education Code and Texas Administrative Code requirements they are unable to meet due to circumstances arising from the COVID-19 pandemic.

## **Open Forum**

No one spoke during Open Forum.

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

### **No. 8118 Resolution for Waivers and Directing Temporary Changes in Grading, End-of-Course Assessments, Graduation, Class-Ranking Policies and Student Activities**

Member (**Lyndsae Benton**) Moved, Member (**La Tonya Mayfield**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Recommend approval of the Resolution for Waivers and Directing Temporary Changes in Grading, End-of-Course Assessments, Graduation, Class-Ranking Policies and Student Activities as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: (7) Nay: (0). The motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Lyndsae Benton	Yes
June Davis	Yes
Gary Grassia	Yes
Mia Hall	Yes
LaTonya Mayfield	Yes
Ryan Ray	Yes
Nedra Robinson	Yes

### **No. 8119 Modifications to Board Policy EIC (LOCAL) - Credit by Exam**

Member (**La Tonya Mayfield**) Moved, Member (**Nedra Robinson**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion ' Recommend approval of the modifications to Board Policy EIC (Local) as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: (7) Nay: (0). The motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Lyndsae Benton	Yes
June Davis	Yes
Gary Grassia	Yes
Mia Hall	Yes
LaTonya Mayfield	Yes
Ryan Ray	Yes
Nedra Robinson	Yes

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

### **2020-2021 Administrative Staff Contracts**

The list of Administrators being recommended for contract renewal will be presented at the April 23, 2020 Called Board meeting.

### **2020-2021 Professional Staff Contracts**

The list of Professional Staff being recommended for contract renewal will be presented at the April 23, 2020 Called Board meeting.

### **Acceptance of Grant Awards**

The following list of potential Grant Awards was presented to the Board.

(P-TECH) Planning Grant- (\$197,245) The purpose of the Pathways in Technology Early College High Schools (P-TECH) and Industry Cluster Innovative Academies (ICIA) is to provide students with a smooth transitional experience to postsecondary and the workforce. P-TECH and ICIA models allow students the opportunity to earn a high school diploma while simultaneously earning industry certifications, level 1 or level 2 certificates, and/or an associate degree on or before the sixth anniversary of a student's first day of high school and at no cost to the student.

Safety and Security Grant- (\$254,495) The purpose of the Safety and Security Grant is to provide supplemental grant funding to Texas public Schools, for additional safety and security equipment.

Special Education Fiscal Support Grant- (\$338,000) Special Education Fiscal Support provides additional funding for eligible Local Education Agencies (LEAs) to secure evaluation staff, related services personnel, and/or special education teachers to fill short-term needs in the area of initial evaluations, compensatory services and extended school year services (ESY). Recommendation of acceptance of the potential grant awards will be presented during a future Board meeting.

### **Food Service Management Company Request for Proposals (RFP)**

The Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) is the state agency that administers oversight on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for Public School K-12 Food and Child Nutrition Programs in the State of Texas. Aramark Food Service Company is the current Food Service Management Company (FSMC) for Crowley ISD. Aramark's contract with the District expires June 2020. As such, the District has issued and advertised the Food Service Management Company RFP 15-088-25. Proposals were received and the bid closed on April 3, 2020.

Upon completion of the evaluation process, District administration will submit a recommendation for the selection of the FSMC to the Board of Trustees. This item will be brought back for possible consideration and action during the April 23, 2020 Called Board Meeting.

### **Regional Day School Program for the Deaf (RDSPD) Shared Agreement**

Crowley ISD serves as the fiscal agent for the Crowley Regional Day School Program for the Deaf (RDSPD). Member Districts for the 2020-2021 school year will include: Alvarado, Burleson, Cleburne, Crowley, Everman, Joshua, Johnson County Shared Services Arrangement (Keene, Grandview, Godley and Rio Vista).

Crowley ISD and member districts of the Crowley Regional Day School Program have reviewed the current Shared Services Agreement (SSA) in relation to the proposed guidance requirements from TEA. Crowley ISD will remain the fiscal agent as well as the district of accountability.

As defined in FDA (Local), shared services students with hearing impairments will transfer annually into the district. Students will be eligible to participate in UIL activities. Transportation will continue to be the responsibility of the district of residence.

Annual Membership participation in the Crowley Regional Day School Program for the Deaf (RDSPD) for the 2020-2021 school year is approved by the signing of the Letter of Authorization of Participation. This letter and SSA were included for Board review. This item will be brought back as a possible action item in May.

### **Proclamation 2020 Instructional Materials Adoption**

Proclamation 2020 calls for the adoption of instructional materials in English I-IV, as well as a variety of other English Language Arts and English as a Second Language courses (see attached).

A team of coordinators, teachers and principals have been working together over the past school year to identify high-quality publishers and materials for adoption in Crowley ISD. Samples of top publishers were delivered to each campus, and teachers evaluated each resource. Top publishers were also on public display at the Administration building in rm. 207 in early February. The final recommendation for adoption will be brought before the board as an action item in April.

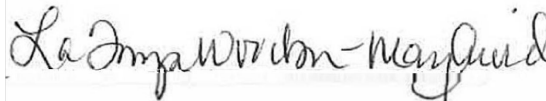
### **Executive Session**

The Board of Trustees convened in Executive Session beginning at 7:13 p.m. and returned to open session at 8:08 p.m.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the president declared the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

PRESIDENT 

SECRETARY 

ASSISTANT SECRETARY 

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