

Crowley ISD Board of Trustees Unofficial Summary of Actions

January 28, 2016



REPORT ITEMS

Crowley ISD joined school districts across the state in celebrating **School Board Recognition Month**. This year's theme is *Superheroes for Schools*. Our Trustees are extraordinary volunteers who play a crucial role in our schools and in our community.

Crowley ISD Trustees include: President June W. Davis, Vice President Ryan Ray, Secretary Jay Hinton as well as board members Thedrick Franklin, Gary Grassia, Mia Hall and Sherri L. Whiting.

[Watch the video](#) of CISD students thanking our Trustees for their service.



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Four students from Crowley High School and North Crowley High School have qualified to perform in the Texas Music Educators Association (TMEA) **All-State Choir** and **All-State Band** in San Antonio. Leann Indolos (NCHS senior) and Kennedy Miller (NCHS senior) will be representing CISD in the All-State Choir. Joey Ibarra (CHS senior) and Seth Rodriguez (NCHS senior) will be representing CISD in the All-State Band.



Kennedy Miller, Ange Goins (NCHS choir director) and Leann Indolos



Joey Ibarra, Rudy Salazar (CHS band director), David Trewitt (NCHS band director) and Seth Rodriguez

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The Texas Girls Coaches Association has recognized two Crowley High School student-athletes to **Academic All-State Athletes** for their accomplishments in volleyball and in the classroom: Hope Thompson (CHS senior) and Ashley Hernandez (CHS senior).



Ashley Hernandez, Kim Wheeler (CHS volleyball coach) and Hope Thompson

CISD's **Heartbeat Team Award** winners for December (Chris Hill, middle school math teacher at Crowley Learning Center) and November (Kimberly Hirth, cafeteria manager at Parkway Elementary School) were introduced to the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approved the **December 17, 2015** and the **January 14, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes**.

Approved the **December 2015 Financial Statements**.

Approved the **January 2016 Employment of Professional Personnel** which includes 11 employees.

Approved the **Student Transfer Report** for employee non-resident student transfers.

Approved **Out of State Travel – Employees** to the AVID District Leadership Training in Seattle, Washington and to the National School Boards Association Annual Conference in Boston, Massachusetts.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussed a **Waiver to Modify Arrival Time on State Assessment Testing Days** to allow the district to modify the schedule of classes for 12th grade students who are not being tested on state assessment days. If

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approved, the waiver would allow those students to have a late arrival on two testing days (March 31, 2016 and May 4, 2016).

Discussed a **Waiver to Modify Accelerated Instruction Calendar for Grades 5 and 8** for students who do not demonstrate proficiency on the STAAR reading and/or mathematics tests.

Discussed the development of the **2016-2017 School Calendar**. The district is in the final planning stages of developing the calendar. A draft will be reviewed by administrators and the District-Wide Educational Improvement Council (DWEIC) before being brought to the School Board for approval at a future meeting.

BOARD ACTIONS

Approved the **May 7, 2016 Board of Trustees – Order of Election** for an election to be held on Saturday, May 7, 2016 for the purpose of electing three School Board Trustees: Place 5, 6 and 7.

Approved the **May 7, 2016 Board of Trustees – Election Resolution to Enter into Joint Election Agreement with Tarrant County Elections** to provide election services for Tarrant County voters associated with the May 7, 2016 election.

Approved the **May 7, 2016 Board of Trustees – Election Resolution to Enter into Joint Election Agreement with the City of Crowley Elections** to provide election services for Johnson County voters associated with the May 7, 2016 election.

Approved recommendation to award a contract for the **CHS Electrical Panel Upgrade Project** to Morgan Electric for \$149,687.00.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Dr. Powell provided updates on several District projects:

The **Innovative Programming Planning Group (IPPG)** is now in place and working hard to develop strategies for expanding innovative choice programs across CISD. One of the first steps is to hear from our staff, parents, students and the community. The district will be hosting two types of meetings: Staff meetings for employees and Town Hall meetings for parents, students and the community. Meeting dates, times and locations will be posted on the CISD website and distributed to stakeholders.

CISD has submitted an application to the TEA for an **Early College High School (ECHS)** in partnership with Tarrant County College South Campus. Students would graduate from the ECHS with a high school diploma and an associate degree, with no costs for tuition or textbooks. The campus would serve 9th grade students starting in the fall of 2016 and would add a grade level each year. If the application is approved by the TEA,

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the School Board would have the opportunity to review and approve a memorandum of understanding with TCC.

The district will begin providing monthly **Non-Instructional Projects Updates** to the Board. Each project will be categorized based on how it will be funded: bond funds, fund balance, or general fund/regular annual budget.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board discussed the Administration's recommendation concerning three **professional employees who resigned their contracts in the middle of the 2015-16 school year.**

BOARD ACTIONS

Approved the Administration's recommendation that good cause did not exist for three **professional employees to resign their contracts in the middle of the 2015-16 school year** and directed the Administration to file a complaint with the State Board for Educator Certification to seek sanctions for abandonment of contract.

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