

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees

Cedar Hill ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Cedar Hill ISD was held Monday, July 20, 2026, beginning at 5:30pm in the Cannady Cedar Hill Room
285 Uptown Blvd.
Cedar Hill, Texas 75104.

I.

OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER – 5:30 PM

Announcement by the Board President whether a quorum is present, and that the notice of the meeting has been duly called, and posted in the time and manner required by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 pm.

Board Members Present were: Dr. Lester Singleton, Dr. Jacquetta Haygood, Ramona Ross-Bacon, and Ayanna Cabrera-Cook.

Dr. Denise Roache-Davis arrived at 5:39 pm.

Carma Morgan and Denisha Williams were not present.

II.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Individuals desiring to address the Board regarding an item on an Agenda for an Open Meeting, or to address the Board on general matters, must submit a completed Public Comment Request Form on the day of the meeting. Forms are available in the lobby area. The correct procedure for addressing the Board during Public Comments is as follows: Each speaker should address the Board from the podium microphone and state his or her name before speaking. All speakers will be limited to three minutes to make comments regarding items on the agenda, or general matters, unless modified by the Board president based on Board Policy BED (LOCAL). Specific factual information or recitation of existing policy may be furnished in response to inquiries, but the Board shall not deliberate or decide regarding any subject that is not included on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting. Copies of presentations should be made available to all trustees and the Superintendent.

There was one public comment: Shannon Johnson

III.

REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

The Board will hear as many reports as time allows. All remaining reports will be made after reconvening for the 7:30 pm session.

A. ACADEMICS REPORT

1. Policy Update 127

The Policy Update 127 was presented by Dr. Charlotte Ford.

B. OPERATIONS REPORT

1. 2026-2027 Student Code of Conduct

The 2026-2027 Student Code of Conduct was presented by John Edmun.

IV.

CLOSED SESSION - 6:30 PM

The Board may declare itself in a closed meeting as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Sections 551.001-551.146. In the event a closed meeting is to be convened, the presiding officer shall publicly identify the section or sections authorizing the closed meeting. Those sections may include without limitation the following sections under SUBCHAPTERS D AND E, which authorize a closed meeting to discuss the following topics:

- A. Section 551.071: For the purpose of private consultation with the Board's attorney regarding pending litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the District or Board under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.
- B. Section 551.072: For the purpose of deliberating on a purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the Board in negotiations with a third person.
- C. Section 551.074: For the purpose of deliberating the appointment, employment, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee, unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests an open hearing.
- D. Section 551.076: For the purpose of deliberations regarding the deployment, or specific occasions of implementation, of security personnel or devices, or security audits.
- E. Section 551.0821: To discuss specific personal identifying information about a student.
- F. Safety and Security Update

The Board adjourned into closed session at 6:03 pm.

V. **DECLARE CLOSED SESSION ENDED & RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION - 7:30 PM**

The Board reconvened into open session at 7:36 pm.

VI. **OPENING CEREMONY**

- A. Welcome from Board President
- B. Pledges

The pledges were led by the Board of Trustees.

- C. Prayer

The prayer was led by Ayanna Cabrera-Cook.

- D. Values, Mission, Vision, and Motto

The Values, Mission, Vision, and Motto was led by John Edmun.

VII. **COMMUNICATIONS**

A. **INTRODUCTIONS**

- 1. Chief Communications Officer

Kristen Escovedo was presented as the Chief Communications Officer.

- 2. Executive Director of Student Services

John Edmun was presented as the Executive Director of Student Services.

3. Director of Transportation
Nevis Palmer was presented as the Director of Transportation.

4. High Pointe Elementary Principal
Dr. Alisha Chenevert was presented as the High Pointe Elementary Principal.

5. Collegiate Academy and High School Principal
Dr. Trevena Nelson was presented as the Collegiate Academy and High School Principal.

VIII. REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT (CONTINUED FROM 5:30 PM SESSION)
The Board finished hearing the Reports of the Superintendent before going into closed session.

IX. ACTION ITEMS

A. Consider Approving an Endorsement for the TASB Board of Directors
Ramona Ross-Bacon made a motion to endorse Trustee Denishea Williams for the TASB Board of Directors. Dr. Lester Singleton seconded the motion.

Dr. Denise Roache-Davis voted – yes
Ramona Ross-Bacon voted – yes
Carma Morgan voted – not present
Dr. Jacquetta Haygood voted – yes
Ayanna Cabrera-Cook voted – yes
Dr. Lester Singleton voted – yes
Denishea Williams voted – not present

The motion passes 5-0.

B. Consider Approving Policy Update 127
Ayanna Cabrera-Cook made a motion to approve the Policy Update 127. Ramona Ross-Bacon seconded the motion.

Dr. Denise Roache-Davis voted – yes
Ramona Ross-Bacon voted – yes
Carma Morgan voted – not present
Dr. Jacquetta Haygood voted – yes
Ayanna Cabrera-Cook voted – yes
Dr. Lester Singleton voted – yes
Denishea Williams voted – not present

The motion passes 5-0.

C. Consider Approving the 2026-2027 Student Code of Conduct
Dr. Jacquetta Haygood made a motion to approve the 2026-2027 Student Code of Conduct. Dr. Lester Singleton seconded the motion.

Dr. Denise Roache-Davis voted – yes
Ramona Ross-Bacon voted – yes

**Carma Morgan voted – not present
Dr. Jacquetta Haygood voted – yes
Ayanna Cabrera-Cook voted – yes
Dr. Lester Singleton voted – yes
Denishea Williams voted – not present**

The motion passes 5-0.

D. Consider and Take Possible Action on Civil Action No. 3:24-cv-02249-B
Ramona Ross-Bacon made a motion to approve the Action of Civil Action No. 3:24-cv-02249-B. Ayanna Cabrera-Cook seconded the motion.

**Dr. Denise Roache-Davis voted – yes
Ramona Ross-Bacon voted – yes
Carma Morgan voted – not present
Dr. Jacquetta Haygood voted – yes
Ayanna Cabrera-Cook voted – yes
Dr. Lester Singleton voted – yes
Denishea Williams voted – not present**

The motion passes 5-0.

E. Consider New Hires Requiring Board Approval
Ayanna Cabrera-Cook made a motion to approve the New Hires Requiring Board Approval. Dr. Lester Singleton seconded the motion.

**Dr. Denise Roache-Davis voted – yes
Ramona Ross-Bacon voted – yes
Carma Morgan voted – not present
Dr. Jacquetta Haygood voted – yes
Ayanna Cabrera-Cook voted – yes
Dr. Lester Singleton voted – yes
Denishea Williams voted – not present**

The motion passes 5-0.

X. CONSENT AGENDA FOR APPROVAL

- A. Consider Approving the Meeting Minutes from the June 22, 2026 Regular Board Meeting and the July 13, 2026 Called Meeting
- B. Consider Approving Donations
- C. Consider Approving Authorizing the Use of Purchasing Cooperatives for 2026-2027
- D. Consider Approving the Community In Schools Contract for 2026-2027

Ramona Ross-Bacon made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayanna Cabrera-Cook seconded the motion.

**Dr. Denise Roache-Davis voted – yes
Ramona Ross-Bacon voted – yes
Carma Morgan voted – not present**

Dr. Jacquetta Haygood voted – yes
Ayanna Cabrera-Cook voted – yes
Dr. Lester Singleton voted – yes
Denishea Williams voted – not present

The motion passes 5-0.

XI. ROUTINE MONTHLY REPORTS

A. Financial Statements

B. Report on Purchases Made Through a Cooperative Purchasing Program over \$50,000

XII. BOARD PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

XIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Dr. Denise Roache-Davis, Board of Trustees President

Date

Denishea Williams, Board of Trustees Secretary

Date