

Regular Meeting
Monday, February 23, 2026 6:30 PM Central

Hitchcock ISD Board Room,
7801 Neville Avenue
Hitchcock, TX 77563

Chad Allen:	Present
Monica Cantrell:	Present
Tony Combs:	Absent
Tom Ivey:	Present
Ryan Massa:	Present
Dr. Shirley Price:	Present
Ted Robinson Jr.:	Present

Present: 6, Absent: 1.

1. Call to Order - Announcement by Call to Order-The meeting was called to order by President Allen at 6:30 PM. HISD employees present at meeting were Dr. Darryl Henson, Superintendent; Patrick Faour, HR Coordinator; Robin Hataway, Chief Financial Officer; Evangelina Guerra, GGCCSE Director; Donette Line, HHS Principal; Holly Chester, HHS Dean of Students; Jon Reese, Crosby Principal; Tamikia Greene-Chavis, SES Interim Principal; Rodolfo Martinez, SES Assistant Principal; Elena Trevino, HPS Principal; Kirsten Westbrook, HPS Assistant Principal; Ethel Gaines, KFHS Principal; Megan Stall, Coordinator of Assessment, Accountability and Instructional Technology; Keri Launius, Director of Curriculum; Sarah Saenz, Curriculum Coordinator; Suzette Neeley, Curriculum Coordinator; Kelly Brunson, Director of Fine Arts; and Craig Smith, Athletic Director.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

2.A. United States Flag- Chad Allen led the members of the Board of Trustees and patrons in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

2.B. Texas Flag – Chad Allen led the members of the Board of Trustees and patrons in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag.

3. Recognitions

3.A. Student of the Month- Dr. Henson recognized Niko Walker with Hitchcock High School as the Student of the Month.

3.B. Employee of the Month- Dr. Henson recognized Aubrey Cauley with Hitchcock High School as the Student of the Month.

4. Public Participation – Rhonda Bond spoke regarding life saving devices; Bryan Webb spoke regarding the band director; Matt Vonderheide discussed the band program and the four day school week for the upcoming school year; and Samuel Vonderheide provided comments on current and future band director considerations.

5. Consent Agenda

5.A. Consideration and possible approval of Board meeting minutes: Two February 2, 2026, minutes - Motion was made to approve the two February 2, 2026, Board meeting minutes. This motion, made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Dr. Shirley Price, Passed.

Tony Combs: Absent, Monica Cantrell: Yes, Chad Allen: Yes, Tom Ivey: Yes, Ryan Massa: Yes, Dr. Shirley Price: Yes, Ted Robinson Jr.: Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0, Absent: 1

5.A. Consideration and possible approval of Board meeting minutes: February 9, 2026, minutes - Motion was made to approve the February 9, 2026, Board meeting minutes. This motion, made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Dr. Shirley Price, Passed.

Tony Combs: Absent, Monica Cantrell: Abstain (With Conflict), Chad Allen: Yes, Tom Ivey: Yes, Ryan Massa: Yes, Dr. Shirley Price: Yes, Ted Robinson Jr.: Yes
Yes: 5, No: 0, Absent: 1, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

5. Consent Agenda - A motion was made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Dr. Shirley Price to approve all the consent agenda items below as presented and recommended by the administration. Motion carried with all in favor. This motion, made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Dr. Shirley Price, Passed.

Tony Combs: Absent, Ryan Massa.: Yes, Chad Allen: Yes, Tom Ivey: Yes, Ted Robinson Jr.: Yes, Dr. Shirley Price: Yes, Monica Cantrell: Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0, Absent: 1

5.B. Consideration and possible approval of the District of Innovation Plan

5.C. Consideration and possible approval of Winter Storm Resolution- Employee Compensation

5.D. Consideration and possible approval of Nonrenewal of Chartwells K12 Food Service Management Contract for the 2026-2027 School Year

5.G. Consideration and possible approval of Resolution: Good Cause Exception Waiver

5.F. Consideration and possible approval of Resolution: Armed Security Officer Requirements

5. Consent Agenda

5.E. Consideration and possible approval of the Certificate of Unopposed Candidate and Adoption of Order of Cancellation for Board of Trustees Single Member Districts 3, and 5 for the May 2, 2026, election – A motion was made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Dr. Shirley Price to approve the Certificate of Unopposed Candidate and Adoption of Order of Cancellation for Board of Trustees Single Member Districts 3, and 5 for the May 2, 2026, election. Motion carried with all in favor. This motion, made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Dr. Shirley Price, Passed.

Tony Combs: Absent, Ryan Massa.: Yes, Chad Allen: Yes, Tom Ivey: Yes, Ted Robinson Jr.: Yes, Dr. Shirley Price: Yes, Monica Cantrell: Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0, Absent: 1

6. Superintendent's Reports

6.A. Principals' Reports- Principals, Elena Trevino , Jon Reese, Donette Line, Interim Principal of SES, Tamikia Greene-Chavis, Dean of Students, Holly Chester, Assistant Principals, Kirsten Westrbrook and Rodolfo Martinez reviewed their respective campus reports.

6.B. Directors' Reports - Dr. Henson reviewed the Director's Report(s) for the Board.

6.C. LASO Grant Update – Dr. Keri Launius presented the LASO Grant update.

7. Action

7.A. Consideration and possible approval of Financial Report (January 2026) - A motion was made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Ted Robinson, Jr. to approve all the Financial Report (January 2026) as presented and recommended by the administration. Motion carried with all in favor. This motion, made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Ted Robinson, Jr., Passed.

Monica Cantrell: Yes, Tony Combs: Absent, Ryan Massa.: Yes, Chad Allen: Yes, Tom Ivey: Yes, Ted Robinson Jr.: Yes, Dr. Shirley Price: Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0, Absent: 1.

7.B. Consideration and approval to Nominate Delegate and Alternate to Houston-Galveston Area Council- A motion was made by Chad Allen and seconded by Tom Ivey to approve and Nominate Delegate and Alternate to Houston-Galveston Area Council as presented and recommended by the administration. Tony Combs is the Representative for HISD and Ryan Massa is the alternate for HISD. Motion carried with all in favor. This motion, made by Chad Allen and seconded by Tom Ivey, Passed.

Monica Cantrell: Yes, Tony Combs: Absent, Ryan Massa.: Yes, Chad Allen: Yes, Tom Ivey: Yes, Ted Robinson Jr.: Yes, Dr. Shirley Price: Yes Yes: 6, No: 0, Absent: 1.

7.C. Consideration and possible approval of the 2024-2025 Annual Financial Audit – No action was taken at this time (The 2024-2025 Annual Financial Audit was pulled from the meeting).

8. Announcement(s) – Monica Cantrell made an announcement that PAWS Patrol will take place in March.

9. Mr. Allen, Board President, called the members of the Board of Trustees into Closed session at 7:14 PM for the purposes permitted as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section:

9.A. Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code-Consultation with the School District's attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act specifically including the legal issues related to the contract, duties, reassignment, discipline, and evaluation of public officers, superintendent, assistant superintendent, interim superintendent, business manager, principals, assistant principals, counselors, athletic director, teachers, and at-will employees.

9.B. Discuss the employment of new professional employees(s) for the 2025-2026 school year

9.C. Discuss the contracts, duties, re-assignments, discipline, and evaluation of trustees, officers, superintendent, assistant superintendent, principals, assistant principals, directors, coordinators, police chief, teachers, counselors, librarians, district nurse, and at-will employees.

10. Reconvene from Closed Session for action, if any, from Closed Session- Trustees reconvened from closed session at 9:17 P.M.

Action

A motion was made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Dr. Shirley Price to hire James Briscoe as Director of Finance for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year as presented and recommended by the administration. Motion carried with all in favor. This motion, made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Dr. Shirley Price, Passed.

Chad Allen: Yes, Tony Combs: Absent, Ted Robinson Jr.: Yes, Monica Cantrell: Yes, Tom Ivey: Yes, Ryan Massa: Yes, Dr. Shirley Price: Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0, Absent: 1

11. Action

11.A. Consideration and possible approval of Specific Employees Proposed for Nonrenewal as a Result of the RIF: Program Change - A motion was made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Ryan Massa to Specific Employees Proposed for Nonrenewal as a Result of the RIF: Program Change as presented and recommended by the administration. Motion carried with all in favor. This motion, made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Ryan Massa, Passed.

Chad Allen: Yes, Tony Combs: Absent, Ted Robinson Jr.: Yes, Monica Cantrell: Yes, Tom Ivey: Yes, Ryan Massa: Yes, Dr. Shirley Price: Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0, Absent: 1

12. Suggested Future Agenda Items - None

13. Adjourn - Meeting adjourned at 9:19 P.M.

Rachel Morales
Recording Secretary

HISD Board President
Chad Allen

HISD Board Secretary
Tom Ivey