

**Notice of Board Work Session
by Videoconference or Telephone Call
Board of Trustees
Monday, April 1, 2024**

A Board Work Session of the Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, April 1, 2024, beginning at 6:00 PM, Boardroom of the Mark Henry, Ed.D. Administration Building, 11440 Matzke Road, Cypress, Texas 77429.

Due to health and safety concerns related to the COVID-19 coronavirus, this meeting will be conducted by videoconference or telephone call. At least a quorum of the board will be participating by videoconference or telephone call in accordance with the provisions of Sections 551.125 or 551.127 of the Texas Government Code that have not been suspended by order of the governor.

Members of the public may access this meeting and or provide public comments as identified below:

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice. For more information about public comment, see Policy BED. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

Notice of this meeting was mailed or electronically transmitted to the news media, who previously requested such notice, and a copy was posted in the main/front office window of the Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District Mark Henry, Ed.D. Administration Building on March 28, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

AGENDA COMMENTS: Per BED (Local), patrons may address the Board during any Board Meeting under Agenda Comments regarding items listed on the agenda for that meeting. Individuals must register in advance. Registration opens the day the agenda is posted to the district website, and the deadline for registering is 12:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. To register, individuals must click on the "Register to Speak" link found under each agenda item listed for that meeting on the district website. This electronic speaker form must be completed in its entirety. Agenda Comments will generally be heard before each agenda item to be discussed or considered by the Board unless rearranged by the Board President. Any registered speaker who is absent from the meeting at the time for Agenda Comments forfeits the opportunity to address the Board at that meeting but may submit written comments to the Board.

MEETING OPENING: Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance, District's Vision and Mission Statement.

1. REMARKS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. The Superintendent will make remarks and announcements regarding the honors and achievements earned by staff and students in recent weeks and provide information regarding district and community events or items of interest.

2. RECOGNITIONS

A. The Board will recognize two recipients of the April 2024 Bringing Out the Best award.

B. The Board will recognize the 2023 National-Board Certified Teachers.

C. The Board will recognize students who were National Qualifiers, Gold Award Recipients and Silver Award Recipients at the 40th Annual Teach Tomorrow Summit.

3. BOARD COMMENTS

A. Board members may make comments during this portion of the agenda regarding student achievement, district progress and data, community input and concerns, observations from school visits, meetings and conferences attended, district and community events and initiatives, or continuing education. The Board may not take action on items discussed.

4. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

A. Per BED (Local), patrons may address the Board during the Regular Board Meeting under Citizen Participation on any matters of interest or concerns that are not posted agenda items. Individuals may only register to speak one time per meeting and must register in advance. Registration opens the day the agenda is posted to the district website, and the deadline for registering is 12:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. To register, individuals must click on the "Register to Speak" link found under the Citizen Participation heading in the agenda for that meeting on the district website. This electronic speaker form must be completed in its entirety. Any registered speaker who is absent from the meeting at the time for Citizen Participation forfeits the opportunity to address the Board at that meeting but may submit written comments to the Board.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION WILL BE HEARD AT THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING ON THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2024.

5. REPORTS

A. The administration will provide a report on the Cypress-Fairbanks ISD Demographic Update completed by Population and Survey Analysts (PASA).

B. The administration will provide a progress report on Goal 4: Communication and Community Relations, Objectives 1-3 of the Board Monitoring System.

C. The administration will provide an update on the general operating budget for the 2024-2025 school year.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A. The Board will consider approving the minutes of the March 4, 2024, Regular Board Meeting.

B. The Board will consider approving on second reading additions, revisions, or deletions to district policies.

1. FL (Local) Student Records (Revise)

C. The Board will consider approving the CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC blanket utility easement to provide underground electrical service at the existing Holbrook Elementary School and authorize the Superintendent or designee to negotiate the final terms and execute all related documents.

D. The Board will consider approving construction proposals and contracts paid from Bond Funds to the recommended contractors and authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute all necessary documents related to such contracts as follows:

1. 2022 Cy-Fair HS Renovation

2. 2023 ELC 1, ELC 2, ELC Barker Cypress & Falcon Annex Renovations

E. The Board will consider approving and authorizing the Superintendent or designee to enter into the miscellaneous professional service contracts related to the 2022 Cy-Fair HS Renovation project.

F. The Board will consider approving a resolution to join and participate in an Interlocal Agreement

with the Region 4 Education Service Center and authorize the superintendent or designee to execute all necessary documents related to the interlocal agreement.

7. NON-CONSENT AGENDA

A. The Board will consider the adoption of an Order Authorizing the Issuance of the Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District Unlimited Tax School Building and Refunding Bonds, which May be Issued in One of More Series; Levying a Tax Providing for the Security and Payment Thereof; Providing for the Award of the Sale Thereof in Accordance with Specified Parameters; and Enacting Other Provisions Relating Thereto.

B. The Board will consider approving the superintendent's contract recommendations to issue probationary, term, and annual contracts for the 2024-2025 school year for teachers, administrators, and professionals.

C. The Board will consider the administration's recommendation for the naming of Elementary School #59.

D. The Board will consider approving the district instructional material recommendations for classroom use in the 2024-2025 school year:

1. Instructional material recommendation for Science, Kindergarten-Grade 8: *HMH Into Science Texas, Grades K-8*

2. Instructional material recommendation for Biology course: *Savvas Learning Company Texas, Miller & Levine Experience Biology*

3. Instructional material recommendation for Chemistry course: *Savvas Learning Company Texas Experience Chemistry*

4. Instructional material recommendation for Physics course: *McGraw-Hill School Division McGraw-Hill Texas Physics*

5. Instructional material recommendation for Integrated Physics & Chemistry course: *Accelerate Learning Inc. STEMscopes Science TX – IPC*

6. Instructional material recommendation for Environmental Science course: *Cengage Learning Inc. Environmental Science: Sustaining Your World, Texas Edition*

7. Instructional material recommendation for Earth Systems course: *Cengage Learning Inc. Earth Systems, Texas Edition*

8. Instructional material recommendation for Astronomy course: *Cengage Learning Inc. Foundations of Astronomy*

9. Instructional material recommendation for Aquatics course: *Cengage Learning Inc. Oceanography: An Invitation to Marine Science HS Edition*

10. Instructional material recommendation for Child Development course: *CEV Multimedia LTD iCEV Child Development (Individual Course)*

11. Instructional material recommendation for Principles of Education & Training course: *Goodheart-Willcox Company Teaching*

12. Instructional material recommendation for Instructional Practices course: *The Curriculum Center for Family & Consumer Sciences Instructional Practices*

13. Instructional material recommendation for Principles of Applied Engineering course: *eDynamic Holdings LP Applied Engineering 1a/1b*

14. Instructional material recommendation for Health Science Theory Clinicals course: *Cengage Learning Inc. DHO Health Science*

15. Instructional material recommendation for Anatomy & Physiology course: *McGraw-Hill School Division Holes Essentials of Human Anatomy & Physiology*

16. Instructional material recommendation for Forensic Science course: *Cengage Learning Inc.*

Forensic Science: Fundamentals and Investigations

17. Instructional material recommendation for Medical Terminology course: *Cengage Learning Inc. Medical Terminology for Health Professions*

18. Instructional material recommendation for Pathophysiology course: *eDynamic Holdings LP Pathophysiology 1a/1b*

19. Instructional material recommendation for Food Science K course: *CEV Multimedia Ltd iCEV Food Science (Individual Course)*

20. Instructional material recommendation for Engineering Design & Presentation I course: *CEV Multimedia Ltd. iCEV Engineering Design & Presentation I (Individual Course)*

21. Instructional material recommendation for Engineering Design & Presentation II course: *CEV Multimedia Ltd. iCEV Engineering Design & Presentation I (Individual Course)*

22. Instructional material recommendation for Computer Science I course: *Code HS Texas Computer Science I*

23. Instructional material recommendation for Computer Science II course: *Compusolar Java, Java Programming*

24. Instructional material recommendation for Communication & Technology in Education course: *The Curriculum Center for Family & Consumer Sciences Communication and Technology in Education*

25. Instructional material recommendation for Personal Financial Literacy plus Economics course: *McGraw-Hill School Division Personal Finance High School Edition*

E. The Board will consider adopting a Resolution to Modify Adjustment in Comptroller's Property Value Assignment for Granting a Local Optional Homestead Exemption.

F. The Board will consider approving the superintendent's recommendation to give notice to Dana Hoff that her employment with the District under a probationary contract is proposed for termination and authorize the President of the Board to notify Ms. Hoff of the proposed action pursuant to 21.104 of the Texas Educator Code. [This item may be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 551.074.]

G. The Board will consider approving the superintendent's recommendation to give notice to Devonte Glover that his employment with the District under a probationary contract is proposed for termination and authorize the President of the Board to notify Mr. Glover of the proposed action pursuant to 21.104 of the Texas Educator Code. [This item may be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 551.074.]

H. The Board will consider making a determination that good cause did not exist as required by law for James Jackson, Alanna Walker, Rituparna Basu, and Sudhir Sekharan to resign their respective employment contracts. [This item may be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 551.074.]

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Board committee updates.

B. Recap of Board member requests for information.

9. DISCUSSION

A. The administration will discuss the Districtwide Intruder Detection Audit Report findings. [This item may be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 551.076 of the Texas Government Code.]

B. The Board will discuss and receive legal advice from the general counsel regarding local policy CW. [This item may be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 551.071.]

10. CLOSED**SESSION**

If, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, the Board should determine that a closed session of the Board should be held or is required in relation to any item included in this notice, then such closed session as authorized by Section 551.001 of the Texas Government Code (the Open Meetings Act) will be held by the Board at that date, hour and place given in this notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this notice as the Board may conveniently meet in such closed session concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Sections 551.071 through 551.084, of the Open Meetings Act.

A. There will be a Closed Session in accordance with Government Code Section 551.001 et. seq.

B. Section 551.071	C. For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law. For the purpose of consultation with the district's attorney concerning matters on which the attorney's duty to the district under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings laws.
D. Section 551.072	E. For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.
F. Section 551.073	G. For the purpose of considering a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation.
H. Section 551.074	I. For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee.
J. Section 551.076	K. To consider the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices.
L. Section 551.0821	M. For the purpose of deliberating a matter regarding a public-school student if personally identifiable information about the student will necessarily be revealed.
N. Section 551.082	O. For the purpose of considering discipline of a public-school child or children or to hear a complaint by an employee against another employee if the complaint or charge directly results in a need for a hearing.
P. Section 551.083	Q. For the purpose of considering the standards, guidelines, terms or conditions the Board will follow, or instruct its representatives to follow, in consultation with representatives of employee groups in connection with consultation agreements provided for by section 13.901 of the Texas Education Code.
R. Section 551.084	S. For the purpose of excluding witness or witnesses from a hearing during examination of another witness.

11. ADJOURNMENT

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E or Texas Government Code section 418.183(f). Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting. [See TASB Policy BEC(LEGAL)]

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For the Board of Trustees

Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District
Resolution to Modify Adjustment in Comptroller’s Property Value Assignment for Granting a
Local Optional Homestead Exemption

WHEREAS under Texas Education Code (TEC) Section 48.002, the purpose of the Foundation School Program (FSP) is to guarantee that each school district in the state has adequate resources to provide students with a basic instructional program suitable to the student’s educational needs; and

WHEREAS under TEC Section 48.251, the Foundation School Program is financed by:

- State available school funds distributed in accordance with law,
- Ad valorem tax revenue generated by local school district effort, and
- State funds appropriated for the purposes of public school education; and

WHEREAS under TEC Section 48.256, each school district’s local share of the FSP is determined by formula equal to the product of the local district’s adopted tier one maintenance and operations tax rate applied to the district’s taxable property values as determined in Government Code Section 403.302; and

WHEREAS Tax Code Section 11.13(n) provides an additional residential homestead exemption if the exemption is adopted by the governing body of the taxing unit; and

WHEREAS each year since 1983, the Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District Board of Trustees has adopted a local optional homestead exemption equal to 20% of the taxable property values as appraised by the Harris Central Appraisal District; and

WHEREAS the taxable property values used for allocating state funding to school districts under the FSP as determined by Government Code Section 403.302(d)(2), and TEC Section 48.259 does not reflect the local optional homestead exemption adopted by the school district governing body, resulting in a loss of millions of dollars annually in state FSP funding; and

WHEREAS TEC Section 48.259 prohibits the Commissioner of Education to provide funding under this section unless funds are specifically appropriated for purposes of this section, or the total amount of state funds appropriated for the FSP exceeds the amount distributed to school districts based on the taxable values of property without any deduction for the residence homestead exemptions granted under Tax Code Section 11.13(n); and

BE IT RESOLVED The Board of Trustees of the Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District calls for the modification of the adjustment in Comptroller’s Property Value Assignment by not recognizing any amount of the local optional homestead exemption granted under Texas Tax Code Section 11.13(n) for purposes of state funding under the FSP by:

- Repealing TEC Section 48.259, and
- Amending Government Code Section 403.302(d)(2) as follows:
“the total dollar amount of any residence homestead exemption granted under Section 11.13(n), Tax Code, in the year that is the subject of the study for each school district”

President, Board of Trustees

Secretary, Board of Trustees

April 4, 2024