

**Harris County Department of Education
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
May 21, 2025**

The Harris County Board of School Trustees met in regular session on May 21, 2025, in the Board Room, at 6300 Irvington Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77022. Amy Hinojosa, Board President, called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. and declared a quorum present, that the meeting was duly called, and that notice of the meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Gov't. Code §551.041 and §551.051.

Board Members Present:	Amy Hinojosa, Board President; Andrea Duhon; Richard Cantu; Eric Dick; John McGee and Silky Joshi Malik
Board Members Absent:	Erica Davis, Second Vice President
Board Attorney:	Sarah Langlois
Administration:	James Colbert, Jr., County School Superintendent; Jesus Amezcua, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services; Jonathan Parker, Assistant Superintendent for Academic Support; C.J. Rodgers, Assistant Superintendent for Education & Enrichment; Danielle Bartz, Chief of Staff; Jessica Bermea, Executive Assistant Board to Trustees; Joe Carreon, Director Construction; Lisa Caruthers, Senior Director, CASE for Kids; Danielle Clark, Chief Communications Officer; Carie Crabb, Senior Director School-Related Therapy Services; Curtis Davis, Director Records Management; Stephanie De Los Santos, Director, Client Engagement; Jeff Drury, Director Choice Partners; Leslie Edwards-Ethridge, Director, Center for Safe and Secure Schools; Chris Hoesel, Director Information Technology; Eduardo Honold, Senior Director Adult Education; Edna Johnson, Director of Purchasing; Marica Leiva, Chief Accounting Officer; Charles Ned, Senior Director Schools; Yolanda Pyrtle, Director Research and Evaluation Institute; Lindsey Sanders, Director Communications and Creative Services; Andrea Seagraves, Senior Director, Center for Educator Success; Dr. Tyrone Sylvester, Executive Director, Human Resources; Trina Silva, Education Foundation Community Development Director; Dr. Michelle Willaims, Executive Director Facilities
Visitors:	None.

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1. **Invocation** - Donald Mims, Records Technician /Driver, Records Management
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the US flag** - Dr. Chandel Bonner-Hancock, Officer of Professional Learning and Student Recognition, CES
3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag** - Johanna Sanchez, Officer of Elementary Education, CES
4. **Open Forum** - Gov't Code 551.007 - Public Participation. Pursuant to Policy BED (Local), a citizen who wishes to speak may do so by completing a participation request card available at the Board room at least 10 minutes prior to a regular Board meeting.

None.

5. **REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- A. **Recognition of Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month** - Presentation by Communications, Danielle Clark, Chief Communications Officer

A video presentation was shown by Communications for Asian American, Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Heritage Month

- B. **Recognition of Teacher Appreciation Week** - Presentation by Communications, Danielle Clark, Chief Communications Officer

A video presentation was shown by Communications for Teacher Appreciation week.

- C. **Employee of the Month** - Dr. Tyrone Sylvester, Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources Division

Dr. Tyrone Sylvester introduced the May Employee of the Month, Quina Jones, Teacher Assistant, Head Start Division. Communications showed a brief video regarding her role and impact.

- D. **Superintendent Monthly Report** - James Colbert, Jr.

Superintendent James Colbert updated the Board on events taking place at the end of another great school year at Harris County Department of Education and invited the Board to attend several end-of-year events: (1) The Celebration of Excellence Award Ceremony at 5:00 p.m. on May 21, 2025 in the Conference Center, which is an opportunity to recognize the Employees of the Month throughout the past year as well as each Division's honorees, (2) ABS West's Graduation Ceremony on Thursday, May 22, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.; (3) Fortis Academy's Graduation Ceremony on Friday, May 23, 2025 at noon; and (4) Adult Education's Graduation Ceremony on Saturday, June 22, 2025 at noon. Superintendent Colbert also reported Fortis Academy recently obtained accreditation, being one of only 40 schools to achieve such in the United States. The accreditation process was a weeklong process; Fortis Academy earned accreditation and a score of 95% out of 100%. Lastly, Mr. Colbert recognized Danielle Clark, Chief Communications Officer, for winning a statewide award for top mentor for Communications; Ms. Clark was also nominated and awarded the national Barry Gaskin Mentor Legacy Award, which she will receive in July.

- E. **Annual Division Update - Center for Educator Success**
- F. **Annual Division Update - Records Management**
- G. **Other reports from Board members** concerning attendance or participation in a board or HCDE-related conference, event, activity, or committee; accolades for an HCDE staff member or other deserving person.

Trustee Duhon shared she attended the CASE All-Earth Ecobot Challenge on Saturday, April 26, 2025, expressing that it was amazing to see the students in action.

- H. **Report of Board Committees - Committee Chairs**

None.

Trustee Duhon exited the boardroom at 1:41 p.m.

Trustee Duhon returned to the boardroom at 1:50 p.m.

- I. **Monthly Financial Reports through 04/30/2025 - Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services**

HCDE Administration requested to delete Sheldon ISD from agenda item 6.C.12. HCDE Administration also requested to remove agenda item 6.C.5. from the consent agenda. Motion made by Trustee Duhon, seconded by Trustee Cantu to approve all items under Action Items- Consensus with the exception of agenda item 6.C.5.

Motion passes with 6-0 voting to approve all items under Action Items-Consensus except agenda items 6.C.5

6.C. 5 Consider ratification of the Interlocal (Expenditure) Agreement with CASE for Kids Leadership Academy: Afterschool Work-Based Learning Initiative and Gulf Coast Workforce Board in the amount of \$34,200 to serve 10 high school students in paid, work-based learning experience in Crosby ISD.

Motion made by Trustee McGee, seconded by Trustee Dick to ratify the Interlocal (Expenditure) Agreement with CASE for Kids Leadership Academy: Afterschool Work-Based Learning Initiative and Gulf Coast Workforce Board in the amount of \$34,200 and to delegate authority to the Superintendent or his designee to negotiate, finalize, and execute the Interlocal Agreement.

Motion passes with 6-0 voting to approve.

6. **ACTION ITEMS - CONSENSUS**

- A. Consider ratification/approval of the following Business Services items:

1. Disbursement Report
2. Budget Amendment Report
3. Monthly Investment Report for April 2025

- B. Consider approval of the following Board Meeting Minutes:

1. April 16, 2025 Called Board Meeting Minutes
2. April 16, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

C. Consider ratification/approval of the following Interlocal Contracts:

1. **Consider ratification of amendment to Interlocal (Revenue) Agreement for FY 2025 to decrease the annual contract in the amount of \$86,625 with ABS East Conroe ISD**, to decrease the aggregate amount from \$433,125 to \$346,500 (a decrease of \$86,625 for six (6) units for the 2nd semester), a total of nine out-of-county units will remain (\$28,875 each) for the contract period of 08/26/2024 through 06/05/2025.
2. **Consider ratification of Interlocal (Expenditure) Agreement for FY 2025 with CASE for Kids Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Center(s) Cycle 12, Year 2 grant, for the period 08/01/2024 through 07/31/2025 and Spring ISD** in the aggregate amount of \$103,600 (75 students served in FY 2024).
3. **Consider ratification of the Interlocal (Revenue) Agreement with ABS East and Anahuac ISD** for two (2) out-of-county annual contracts in the amount of \$57,750 (\$28,875 each) for FY 2025 contract period of 08/26/2024 through 06/05/2025.
4. **Consider ratification of the amendment to the Interlocal (Revenue) Agreement with School-Based Therapy Services and Aristoi Classical Academy in the amount of \$37,595 for FY 2025 for the period of 08/16/2024 through 08/15/2025.** The contract amount is proposed to be amended from \$35,020 to \$37,595 (an increase of \$2,575) for additional days of physical therapy services.
5. **Consider ratification of Interlocal (Revenue) Agreement between with School-Based Therapy Services and Houston ISD for FY 2025** in the aggregate amount of \$2,060 for Independent Educational Evaluation Services for the period of 01/02/2025 through 06/30/2025 (2092 students served in FY 2024).
6. **Consider approval of Interlocal (Revenue) Agreements for FY 2026 in the aggregate amount of \$126,500 with Highpoint School East and the following district:** Deer Park ISD for eleven (11) in-county annual contracts (\$11,500 each), for the period of 08/25/2025 through 06/04/2026.
7. **Consider approval of Interlocal (Revenue) Agreement for FY 2026 for ABS East for the period of 08/25/2025 through 06/04/2026, in the amount of \$96,200 with the following district:** Deer Park ISD for four (4) in-county annual contracts (\$24,050 each).
8. **Consider approval of Interlocal (Revenue) Agreements for FY 2026 with School-Based Therapy Services in the aggregate amount of \$61,110 with the following districts:** Aristoi Classical Academy (0 students served in FY2024) in the amount of \$37,960 and Brazos ISD (13 students served in FY2024) in the amount of \$23,150.
9. **Consider approval of Interlocal (Revenue) ESY (Extended School Year) Agreement for FY 2025 in the aggregate amount of \$36,000 for ABS West with the following district:** Katy ISD for six (6) in-county ESY contracts (\$6,000 each) for the period of 06/11/2025 through 07/10/2025.
10. **Consider approval of Interlocal (Revenue) Agreement with Records Management Services and Harris County Toll Road Authority, in the amount of \$45,000, for a period of 12 months upon full execution of the agreement.**

11. **Consider approval of Interlocal (Non-Monetary) Agreements with the Center for Educator Success (CES) and the following school districts: Channelview ISD, Cy-Fair ISD, Goose Creek CISD, and Spring ISD for three (3) year certification and support programs for teacher candidates annually, beginning 05/31/2025 through 05/31/2028.**
- D. Consider approval of the following items for the HCDE Choice Partners Cooperative:
 1. **Consider approval of the Contract Award for job no. 25/016SG for Athletic and Physical Education Supplies and Related Items for the period of 05/21/2025 through 05/20/2026 with the following vendors:** Everlast Climbing Industries, Inc dba Colorado Time Systems (25/016SG-01); Diadem Sports LLC (25/016SG-02); EARLY CHILDHOOD LLC dba Discount School Supply (25/016SG-03); Fun and Function LLC (25/016SG-04); Nasco Education, LLC (25/016SG-05); School Specialty, LLC (25/016SG-06); and Matherne Inc dba Texas Swim Shop (25/016SG-07).
 2. **Consider approval of the Contract Award for job no. 25/017TC for Moving and Storage Services, Packaging Supplies, Boxes and Related Items for the period of 05/21/2025 through 05/20/2026 with the following vendors:** APMS OF HOUSTON, LLC dba ALL POINTS OF TEXAS (25/017TC-01); A-Rocket Moving & Delivery Inc. dba A-Rocket Moving & Storage Inc. (25/017TC-02); East End Transfer & Storage, Inc. (25/017TC-03); Move & Store, LLC dba Motivated Movers (25/017TC-04); Pioneer Contract Services, Inc. (25/017TC-05); Precision Packouts LLC (25/017TC-06); Roadrunner, Ltd. dba Roadrunner Moving and Storage (25/017TC-07); and The Suddath Companies dba Suddath Relocation Systems of Texas, Inc. dba Suddath Workplace Solutions (25/017TC-08).

3. **Consider approval of the Contract Award for job no. 25/018MF for Technology Products and Services for the period of 05/21/2025 through 05/20/2026 with the following vendors:** 22nd Century Technologies, Inc. (25/018MF-01); Advanced Digital Solutions LLC (25/018MF-04); Advantage Imaging Supply, Inc. (25/018MF-05); Air Comm Corporation (25/018MF-06); American Technology Consulting, LLC (25/018MF-07); Branching Minds, LLC (25/018MF-09); Capsuletek, LLC (25/018MF-10); California Creative Solutions, Inc dba CCS Global Tech (25/018MF-11); Certified Simple (25/018MF-13); Challenge Office Products, Inc. (25/018MF-14); GENESIS ACQUISITION CO. dba PROCARE SOFTWARE, LLC (25/018MF-15); Coquina Labs Inc. (25/018MF-17); Critical Infrastructure Solutions (CIS) LLC (25/018MF-18); DIGI Security Systems, LLC (25/018MF-19); Dominus Gray, LLC DBA Dominus Gray (25/018MF-20); Double M Laser Products, Inc. dba Enhanced Laser Products (25/018MF-21); Evolve Holdings, Inc. (25/018MF-22); Robert Ferrilli LLC dba Ferrilli (25/018MF-23); Food Handler Solutions (25/018MF-24); FedTec, LLC. (25/018MF-25); GovConnection, Inc. dba Connection - Public Sector Solutions (25/018MF-26); Manan LLC dba Gyrus Systems (25/018MF-27); Mann InfoCom Inc. dba Helios Ed (25/018MF-28); HiEd Inc. (25/018MF-29); 5205 Limited Partnership dba HCI (25/018MF-30); In-Telecom Consulting, LLC (25/018MF-31); JONAHTEN, LLC (25/018MF-32); Lab Resources, Inc. (25/018MF-34); Lakeshore Parent, LLC dba Lakeshore Learning Materials, LLC (25/018MF-35); Gateway Printing & Office Supply, Inc. dba Liberty Office Products, Daniel Office Products, Gorilla Office Supplies (25/018MF-36); Lone Star Security Shield, Inc. (25/018MF-37); LyncVerse Technologies, Inc. (25/018MF-38); New Horizons Learning, LLC dba New Horizons (25/018MF-39); New Tech Solutions, Inc. (25/018MF-40); Notia Tech, LLC (25/018MF-41); Northwest Communications, Inc. dba NW Radio (25/018MF-43); Panorama Education, Inc. (25/018MF-45); Paragon Micro, Inc. (25/018MF-46); Paratum Solutions, LLC (25/018MF-47); PC Parts Plus LLC dba ChromebookParts.com (25/018MF-48); PCs2U, Inc. (25/018MF-50); Perfection Learning Corporation (25/018MF-51); Performance Scoring, LLC (25/018MF-52); Phoenix Business, Inc. dba Phoenix Business Consulting (25/018MF-53); Premise One, LLC (25/018MF-55); RLS Interests, Inc. dba Prime Systems (25/018MF-56); PS Lightwave, LLC dba Pure Speed Lightwave (25/018MF-57); Pyramid Paper Company dba Pyramid School Products (25/018MF-58); Quasar Data Center, Ltd. (25/018MF-59); Louis A Hernandez, Inc. dba Reliant Business Products (25/018MF-61); Revolution Data Systems, LLC (25/018MF-62); Swan Solutions LLC (25/018MF-64); Tech Fest Live (25/018MF-65); TECHNICAL LABORATORY SYSTEMS, INC. (25/018MF-66); Telephonics Unlimited, Inc. (25/018MF-67); Tessera Technology Group, LLC (25/018MF-68); ThinkCERCA.com Inc dba ThinkCERCA (25/018MF-70); Escape Velocity Holdings, Inc. dba Trace3, LLC (25/018MF-71); TapeWorks Texas, Inc. (25/018MF-72); Unique Digital Technology, LLC (25/018MF-73); Urbego Inc (25/018MF-74); VolunteerNow (25/018MF-75); WebRevelation, Inc. (25/018MF-76); WeVideo, Inc. (25/018MF-77); Wyebot, Inc. (25/018MF-78); and Dahill Office Technology Corporation dba Xerox Business Solutions Southwest (25/018MF-79).
4. **Consider approval of the Contract Award for job no. 25/021SG for Automotive Equipment, Tires, Parts, Supplies, Services, and Related Items for the period of 05/21/2025 through 05/20/2026 with the following vendors:** Goolsbee Tire Services, Inc (25/021SG-01); Pan American Auto, LLC (25/021SG-03); and Reelstrong LLC (25/021SG-04).

5. **Consider approval of the Contract Award for Choice Partners job no. 25/023TP for Dairy and Other Related Products for the period of 08/01/2025 through 07/31/2026 with the following vendors:** Clearbrook Farms Inc (25/023TP-01) and Hiland Dairy Foods Company, LLC (25/023TP-02).
 6. **Consider approval of the Contract Award for job no. 25/024AK for Coffee, Tea and Related Goods and Services for the period of 05/22/2025 through 05/21/2026 with the following vendor:** Compass Group USA, Inc., by and through its Canteen Division (25/024AK-01).
 7. **Consider approval of HCDE Interlocal Agreements with:** Marshall City, Marshall, Texas; Ward County, Monahans, Texas; and Wicomico County Public Schools, Salisbury, Maryland.
- E. Consider approval of the following items for Internal Purchasing:
1. **Consider approval to amend CH Local FY 2025 to add Bethany Webster (job No. 23/008EJ) in the amount of \$90,000, and RGV Consulting (job No. 23/034IA-2) in the amount of \$120,000 for the Choice Partners field representatives.**
 2. **Consider approval of Contract Award for job no. 25/013YR-02 Advisors, Coaches, Consultants, Counselors, Speakers, and Trainers for the period of 05/21/2025 through 05/20/2030 with the following proposers:**4Zs Solutions LLC dba 4Zs Management & Marketing Consulting Services; Derrick Anthony Frohne dba AeroFrohne; Kiara Meade dba Authentic Living Counseling & Consulting Services, PLLC; Dr. Cynthia D. Borel dba Borel Educational Consulting Services; Carol Cooper dba N&C Consulting; Carr Instructional Design; CESO Communications, LLC; Comrades Consulting; Elite Solution, LLC; Zeitgeist Expressions Inc. dba Zeitgeist Wellness Group; Inspire Enlighten Guide LLC dba Journey Together... A Learning Experience; Lone Star Security Shield Inc.; M Cubed Consulting, LLC; Aaron Boudreaux dba Mentoring Mighty Minds; Party Pls LLC; Positive Behavior Supports Corp; Rosalinda Kohut; Soledad M Tanner dba Soledad Tanner Consulting, LLC; Maceo Carter Investments LLC dba Sterling Staffing Solutions; Granthropology LLC Studiously; Patricia A Kuskos dba Unlimited Potential ECE Ventures; and Your Education Solutions LLC.
 3. **Consider approval of Contract Award for Job No. 25/009IA-2 for CASE for Kids Youth Services for Afterschool and Summer for the period of 06/01/2025 through 05/31/2030 with the following proposers:** Animation Station, INC dba American Robotics Academy; ARDE Kids LLC; Ashley Hegeholz; Athletes Global Corporation; BBH Life Care; Blueprint Camp, LLC ; Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Houston; Brave Little Company; Cherish Our Children Inc ; COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS OF SOUTHEAST HARRIS COUNTY; Comrades Consulting; CUACAV Investments LLC dba Imagine Arts Academy of NW Houston; DYNAMIC LEARNING EXPERIENCES LLC dba DRONE LEGENDS; EdTech Games, LLC; Friendship Circle Houston Inc.; GirlTALK TX; Inspire Enlighten Guide, LLC dba Journey Together... A Learning Experience; ITG GRC Consulting; Kolor My Canvas; LIFT Enrichment LLC; Mid-America Arts Alliance (fka Culture of Health -Advancing Together); MYDOJO MARTIAL ARTS AND FITNESS; NextWaveSTEM, LLC; Northside Karate; Northstar Private Ventures LLC, dba Code Ninjas Tanglewood; PrimeMed Academy Inc.; Texas Footwork LLC; The Ensemble Theater; The Freedom Child Foundation; Writers in the Schools.

7. **ACTION ITEMS - NON-CONSENSUS**

1. **Approval of 11.6 new FTE positions to be included in the FY 25-26 Budget** to recruit and fill positions for HCDE schools and divisions prior to the start of the school year. (Positions to be included in the FY 25-26 Annual Budget).

Motion made by Trustee McGee, seconded by Trustee Cantu to approve 11.6 new FTE positions to be included in the FY 25-26 Budget to recruit and fill positions for HCDE schools and divisions prior to the start of the school year. (Positions to be included in the FY 25-26 Annual Budget).

Motion passes with 6-0 voting to approve.

2. **Consider approval of Service Agreement (Expenditure) for Center with Safe and Secure Schools and WestEd (Job No. 24/037DR-2) for the period of 05/22/2025 through 09/30/2027 in an amount not to exceed \$300,000** for providing a multi-phased approach to technical assistance to support districts/schools with covering the concepts and processes taught in the National Threat Assessment Center (NTAC) training into practical application funded by a Department of Justice grant.

Motion made by Trustee Duhon, seconded by Trustee Dick to approve the Service Agreement (Expenditure) for Center with Safe and Secure Schools and WestEd (Job No. 24/037DR-2) for the period of 05/22/2025 through 09/30/2027 in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 for providing a multi-phased approach to technical assistance to support districts/schools with covering the concepts and processes taught in the National Threat Assessment Center (NTAC) training into practical application funded by a Department of Justice grant.

Motion passes with 6-0 voting to approve.

8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** Under the Texas Government Code pursuant to any and all purposes permitted by Sections 551.001-551.084, including, but not limited to: 551.071; 551.074

The Board entered Executive Session at 2:15 p.m.

- A. **Deliberate** the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline and/or dismissal of HCDE employee
1. **Deliberate the appointment and duties of Board officers and Board members and obtain legal advice regarding the same.**
2. **Deliberate the evaluation of duties, and /or discipline of HCDE officers, including, but not limited to, HCDE Trustee Position 4, Precinct 3, and obtain legal advice regarding the same.**
3. **Deliberate Superintendent's recommendation to propose nonrenewal of a teacher's Chapter 21 term employment contract for one or more reasons outlined in Policy DFBB (Local) and determine whether any requested hearing on the proposed nonrenewal will be conducted by the Board or by an independent hearing examiner; obtain legal advice regarding same.**
- B. **Deliberate the purchase, exchange, sale and/or value of real propert(ies) and obtain legal advice regarding the same.**

C. Obtain legal advice regarding pending litigation against HCDE.

10. RECONVENE for possible action on items discussed in executive session

The Board reconvened into open session at 3:09 p.m.

1. Consider election of President and one or more Vice Presidents of HCDE Board of Trustees.

Motion made by Trustee Duhon, seconded by Trustee McGee to elect Amy Hinojosa as Board President, Richard Cantu as the First Vice President, and Erica Davis as Second Vice President.

Motion passe with 5-1 voting to elect Amy Hinojosa as Board President, Richard Cantu as First Vice President, and Erica Davis as Second Vice President, with Trustee Dick voting nay.

2. Consider proposing nonrenewal of a teacher's Chapter 21 term employment contract for one or more reasons outlined in Policy DFBB (Local) and determining whether any requested hearing on the proposed nonrenewal will be conducted by the Board or by an independent hearing examiner.

Motion made by Trustee Joshi-Malik, seconded by Trustee McGee to (1)propose nonrenewal of Laronica Johnson's Chapter 21 term contract for one or more reasons outlined in HCDE Policy DFBB (Local) as discussed in Executive Session; (2) determine that any requested hearing on the proposed nonrenewal of Ms. Johnson's term employment contract be conducted by the Board of Trustees; and (3) direct the Superintendent or his designee to notify Ms. Johnson of the Board's decision in accordance with applicable law and policy.

Motion passes with 6-0 voting to (1) propose nonrenewal of Laronica Johnson's Chapter 21 term contract for one or more reasons outlined in HCDE Policy DFBB (Local) as discussed in Executive Session; (2) determine that any requested hearing on the proposed nonrenewal of Ms. Johnson's term employment contract be conducted by the Board of Trustees; and (3) direct the Superintendent or his designee to notify Ms. Johnson of the Board's decision in accordance with applicable law and policy.

9. Discussion and possible action regarding future agenda items

None.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Submission notification of grant proposal to Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo via the Education Foundation of Harris County in the amount of \$40,150 to support Highpoint School East and Fortis Academy's Building Exceptional Character (BEC) Program. Requested funds will serve 350 students.

2. Submission of five grant proposals to the TXCPA Foundation's CPAs Helping Schools Program, in the aggregate amount of \$11,990 to support Head Start's Read-Excel-Achieve-Lead (REAL) SuperMENTors Read Program. Requested funds will serve 289 students at five Head Start campuses.

3. Submission of grant proposal to Burns & McDonnell, via the Education Foundation of Harris County, in the amount of \$5,000 to provide STEM materials for CASE for Kids 2026 All-Earth Ecobot Challenge at ABS West. The project will serve

75 students in grades K-12 to help them develop skills in STEM subjects, problem-solving, and teamwork.

4. **Submission of grant proposal to Dollar General Literacy Foundation via the Education Foundation of Harris County in the amount of \$4,737**, to support the Schools Division's Adventures in Reading program. Requested funds will cover expenses for instructional materials, classroom library sets, books/book sets and novels at all four schools in the division. The project will serve 577 students.
5. **Submission of Affiliation Agreement with University of Houston Graduate College of Social Work (GCSW) Practicum Program and HCDE-CASE for Kids as a Practicum Site.** CASE submitted an application to become a field site for the University of Houston Graduate College of Social Work to partner with students in their Graduate Social Work program.
6. **Correction to April 16, 2025, board agenda item 6.E.8:** Consider ratification of Interlocal (Expenditure) Agreements for CASE for Kids Project CASE Debates in the aggregate amount of \$20,000 for the FY 2025, for the period of 09/16/2024 through 08/31/2025 with the following entities: Aldine Independent School District in the amount of \$17,500; and YES Prep Public Schools-Southwest in the amount of \$2,500 (a maximum of 200 students served). Should read Consider ratification of Interlocal (Expenditure) Agreements for CASE for Kids Project CASE Debates in the aggregate amount of \$20,000 for the FY 2025, for the period of 09/16/2024 through 08/31/2025 with the following entities: Aldine Independent School District in the amount of \$17,500; and YES Prep Public Schools-Southeast in the amount of \$2,500 to serve 25 students.

A. **Human Resources**

1. Personnel
2. Employee Count
3. Chapter 21 and Non-Chapter 21 Contracts for 2025 - 2026

12. **ADJOURN** - Next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 18, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn made by Trustee McGee, seconded by Trustee Duhon.
Motion passes with 6-0 voting to adjourn.
Meeting adjourned at 3:13 p.m.



Amy Hinojosa
Board President



Richard Cantu
Board First Vice President