

**Harris County Department of Education
Minutes of Special Board Meeting
March 28, 2017**

The Harris County Board of School Trustees met in a Special Meeting on March 28, 2017 in the Board Room, at 6300 Irvington Boulevard, Houston, Texas. Louis D. Evans III, Board President, called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.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: Louis Evans, Board President; Eric Dick, Board Vice-President; George Moore; Don Sumners; Diane Trautman; Mike Wolfe

Board Members Absent: Erica Lee Carter

Board Attorney: Sarah Langlois

Administration: James Colbert, Jr., County School Superintendent; Jesus Amezcua, CPA, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services; Kimberly McLeod, Assistant Superintendent for Education and Enrichment; and Jonathan Parker, Assistant Superintendent for Academic Support

Karla Cantu, Board Secretary; Greg Lookabaugh, Executive Director Facilities; Tammy Lanier, Director Public Information and Communications; Helen Spencer, Chief Information Officer; Rosa Maria Torres, Chief Accounting Officer; Natasha Truitt, Executive Director Human Resources; Arthur Vu, Director Technology; Jimmy Wynn, Special Assistant to Superintendent

Visitors: Nicholas Banks; Lindsay Billings; Estela Cisneros; Joseph Le; Mathew Maliel; Lisa McGuire; James Sanders; Kay Tyner; David Wilson;

OPEN SESSION

1. Discuss with the independent auditor her knowledge of Region 10's proposed disallowance and request for reimbursement of excessive or unallowable amounts paid to HCDE as a subcontractor for the Texas Virtual School Network.

Celina Miller of Whitley Penn, LLP. discussed and responded to questions from the Board regarding her knowledge of Region 10's proposed disallowance and request for reimbursement of excessive or unallowable amounts paid to HCDE as a subcontractor for the Texas Virtual School Network. No action was taken on this item.

2. Discuss impending legislation concerning a Sunset Review of HCDE and whether the board will support the legislation.

The Board discussed the impending legislation concerning a Sunset Review of HCDE and whether the Board will support the legislation. No action was taken on this item.

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.

ADJOURN

Motion made by George Moore, seconded by Diane Trautman to adjourn the meeting.

Motion passes with 6-0 voting to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Board President

Board Secretary