

# Crowley ISD Board of Trustees

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### BOARD CELEBRATIONS

Board Member Dr. La Tonya Mayfield highlighted the **Mission Possible competition**. She praised the students involved as well as Dr. Pamela Berry and her team for putting the project together. “We have some incredible, incredible students in our district,” Mayfield said. “You’ve done a phenomenal job.”

Board President June Davis said she had the opportunity to attend the **JROTC Ball**. “I have been several times, and every time I am just amazed at the poise, the intelligence, the respect those students show. They are definitely a point of pride in our district,” Davis said.

Board Secretary Lyndsae Benton noted that this week the **Tarrant Area Food Bank mobile food pantry** was at Jackie Carden Elementary School, as it is every third Tuesday of the month. She thanked the community partners, students and staff who volunteer to distribute food. “It’s just wonderful for our community, and I encourage people to attend.”

Board Vice President Mia Hall thanked high school principals Stefani Allen and Robert Gillies for attending the annual **Girls Inc. of Tarrant Celebration Breakfast** as well as Board President June Davis and Superintendent Dr. Michael McFarland. She also thanked Dr. Isha James, a North Crowley High School parent who served as the keynote speaker for the breakfast. “She represented Crowley ISD very well,” Hall said. “Crowley made a great showing this year.”

Board Member Ryan Ray attended the Crowley Chamber of Commerce luncheon. He was proud of **Coach Amy Gillum of the CHS Lady Eagles basketball team**, who received the Eagle Award at the luncheon for her service to students and community.

### RECOGNITION ITEMS

**Crowley ISD celebrated Black History Month** with interactive lessons and activities including performances, art contests and class presentations on African Americans who have made an impact in their fields. Choir students from Crowley High School gave a [special performance](#) to the board to commemorate Black History Month.

North Crowley High School JROTC cadet William Ethan Cobble was recognized for receiving an **appointment to the United States Military Academy**. His admission into West Point demonstrates exceptional potential for future service to the U.S. Army and the nation. West Point requires cadets with determination, integrity, self-discipline, strength of character, endurance and a willingness to work hard. While at West Point, William will participate in a rigorous program of academics, military education and character development.

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*(From left to right: Lt. Col. Mickel Sawyer, William Ethan Cobble and North Crowley Principal Stefani Allen)*

Becky Barton's fourth-grade class at Jackie Carden Elementary School won first place in the **Dallas Stars "Stick with Reading" program**, which encourages elementary-age students to foster a love for reading by meeting and exceeding their reading goals. The students competed against other classes from across North Texas and read for the most minutes. As the winning class, Barton's students will have an opportunity to take a field trip to a Dallas Stars practice to tell the players about the reading goals they accomplished. They also will be recognized at a Dallas Stars game.



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**Matthew Jackson**, a local attorney, volunteers as a mentor with the mock trial team at the Bill R. Johnson Career and Tech Center. His tireless efforts, along with the leadership of instructor Markeith West, helped the students place fifth overall in the state at the YMCA Texas Youth and Government competition in January. He also mentored the national-qualifying team that competed in Chicago in 2017. The Ryan Family YMCA has selected Jackson to receive the Henry Meadows Volunteer of the Year award, the highest honor bestowed on a volunteer of the YMCA of Metropolitan Fort Worth.



*(From left to right: Jeff Thomas of the YMCA, student Amaya Ronczyk, Board Member Ryan Ray, Board President June Davis, Attorney Matthew Jackson, Board Vice President Mia Hall, Board Secretary Lyndsa Benton and Superintendent Dr. Michael McFarland)*



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The **Heartbeat Team Award** winner for February (Angie Wilkinson, AVID District Director) was introduced to the board. [Watch to learn](#) more about Wilkinson and why she's the heartbeat of Crowley ISD.



(From left to right: Carrie Samuels, Jana Gilbreath, Laneece Yarbough-Anderson, Annette Duvall, Angie Wilkinson, Mike Mundt and Stefani Allen)

### OPEN FORUM

Crowley High School students **Kevin Miller and Dominique Johnson** addressed the board about qualities they would like to see in a new head football coach, including that the person care about students' grades as well as their talent on the field, be invested in the community and have the passion to motivate students.

United Educators Association (UEA) representative Tamara Sanford presented trustees with the latest UEA salary comparison in which **Crowley ISD is among the top 10 in all categories**. She congratulated the board on that distinction and encouraged trustees to continue to let teachers know how much they are appreciated.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Approved the **Feb. 21 Regular Board Meeting Minutes** as well as the **Feb. 27 and March 8 Called Board Meeting Minutes**.

Approved the **February Financial Statements**.

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Approved **Budget Amendment** to ensure funds for counselor conference travel, increase instructional general supplies and to cover debt payments after the district's bond sale last fall.

Approved **Refuse and Recycling Service Bid** with Republic Services to provide districtwide refuse service and approved Moore Recycling for recycling services.

Approved **Instructional Materials Allotment and TEKS Certification, 2018-19**.

Approved **Student Dress Codes**. The Crowley ISD student dress codes are reviewed, modified and approved annually. The district's dress codes consist of a Standards of Student Dress (PK-8) and a Student Dress Code (9-12). The dress codes align with the school level philosophies for safety, school culture and climate and building positive relationships with students.

Approved **Student Fees, Fines and Charges**. The board annually approves the student fees, fines and charges structure that is provided to parents and students. The proposed fee schedule presented ensures consistency and equity at all elementary and secondary campuses. Annually, the student fees, fines and charges are adjusted to reflect newly established programs or increases in expenses for current programs.

### REPORT ITEM/PRESENTATION

Heard the **Attendance Performance Review**. The board was presented with information about attendance rates at schools and what actions are being taken to reach the goal for Average Daily Attendance (ADA) of 96 percent. The Attendance Review provides the board with insight to processes, procedures and future requests for funding to provide incentives to students who attend school with high frequency.

### DISCUSSION ITEMS and/or POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

Approved **May 5, 2018 Board of Trustees Election Certification of Unopposed Candidates**. The following candidates are unopposed for election to the Crowley ISD Board of Trustees for the election scheduled to be held on May 5, 2018:

- Mia Hall, CISD School Board Member, Place 3
- June Davis, CISD School Board Member, Place 4

Approved **May 5, 2018 CISD Board of Trustees Election Order of Cancellation**.

Cast votes for **Education Service Center Region 11 (ESC) Board Elections: Place 7**. The board cast three votes, with one abstention, for Denise Kahn for Place 7, which represents Tarrant County. Terms of office begin June 1, 2018.

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**FUTURE ACTION ITEMS**

Heard updates on **renewals for a variety of bids and contracts**, including the Janitorial/Maintenance Supply Bid, Athletic Supplies and Equipment RFP, Fine Arts Supplies and Equipment RFP, Printing Services Bid, Food Services Vendor Contract and Custodial Vendor Contract. More information will be presented at future board meetings.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The board discussed personnel and property.

**BOARD ACTIONS**

The board made a finding that a district teacher resigned their contract after the 45th day before the first day of instruction of the 2017-18 school year without good cause.

Approved Nicole Pryor as assistant principal at Mary Harris Intermediate School.

Approved 2018-19 administrative and professional staff contracts as presented.

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**June W. Davis**  
**President**  
*Place 4*



**Mia Hall**  
**Vice President**  
*Place 3*



**Lyndae M. Benton**  
**Secretary**  
*Place 7*



**Gary Grassia**  
**Trustee**  
*Place 6*



**Ryan Ray, J.D.**  
**Trustee**  
*Place 5*



**Nedra Robinson**  
**Trustee**  
*Place 1*



**La Tonya Mayfield, Ph.D.**  
**Trustee**  
*Place 2*

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