

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
COALINGA-HURON LIBRARY DISTRICT
Tuesday January 6, 2025, 5:30 p.m.
Coalinga Library – Program Room**

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Mr. Crawford, President; Mr. Campbell Clerk; Mr. Davison, Trustee

ABSENT TRUSTEES: Mr. Chavez, Vice-President; Mr. Diaz, Trustee

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Ms. Jacqueline Collings, Administrative Assistant

ABSENT ADMINISTRATION: Ms. Mary Leal, Director of Library Services

I. OPEN SESSION/CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order: President Mr. Crawford called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Roll Call: Board members present: Roger Campbell, Spencer Davison, and Tom Crawford

Pledge of Allegiance: Pledge of Allegiance lead by Mr. Crawford.

Approval of Agenda: Mr. Campbell moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Davison. Motion carried unanimously.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

No Items

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

- A-1 January 9th has been declared a Day of Mourning for Former President Jimmy Carter. Approval of January 9, 2025, as a paid holiday for CHLD Staff per MOU.

Mrs. Collings: Back in 2018 when former president Bush passed away, we were given the day. I am not sure if you were aware of that, but it was given to us. This time around we are asking if we are able to get this day as a paid holiday. I know we did have that whole discussion about us getting holidays without board approval.

Mr. Crawford: We are here to vote on just this one.

Mrs. Collings: Correct, you will just be voting on this one only.

Mr. Crawford: We need to come back and see how we want to handle the next one. Let's say another former president passes away are we going to have another special meeting or can we handle it in a different way.

Mr. Campbell: It should be written in their contract. The school has theirs written in their contract, if a former president passes and a day of mourning is given certain employees get it off. I think the school has changed it and it became a floating holiday. I would have to look at the new contract.

Mrs. Collings: The sheet Mr. Crawford and I gave you; I believe that is how it is worded in the MOU contract and our employee handbook.

Mr. Campbell: Normally the state offices get the day of mourning. I really don't have a problem with this, where I have a problem is the staff taking holidays that they should not have taken. Also, no explanation was given on why it was taken and who authorized it to be taken. That is the reason why it was put in the MOU for all holidays to be approved by the board before it is taken.

Mr. Crawford: Tonight, we are just voting on the mourning for former president Jimmy Carter.

Mr. Crawford asked for a motion to approve. Mr. Campbell moved to approve A-1, seconded by Mr. Davison. Motion carried unanimously.

V. DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

- Holiday activities going on at both libraries.

VI. BOARD MEMBER REPORT

Mr. Davison: Nothing to report.

Mr. Campbell: Nothing to report.

Mr. Crawford: Options on what we can for these types of holidays.

Mr. Campbell: I made myself a not to go back and look at the language and I will be back with a suggestion on what we should do.

Mr. Crawford: I would like a way to handle it without having a special meeting every time.

Asked about a document Nathan V. sent him about remote connecting to a board meeting.

Mr. Campbell: Did not look at the email. They changed the rules after covid. Pretty much they want you to attend the meeting.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Crawford asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Campbell moved, seconded by Mr. Davison. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 5:39 P.M.

DATE OF THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regular Board Meeting is Tuesday, January 28, 2025, at 5:30 P.M. at the Huron Branch Library.