BY-THE-MINUTES REPORT

FEBRUARY 2017



Senior Claire Dobbs was named Volleyball Academic All-State by the Texas Girls Coaches Association. She was presented a certificate from the association by Superintendent Charlie Alderman.



Marcus Rogers was recognized for winning Grand Champion at the Fort Worth Stock Show with his Maine-Aniou heifer.



## Calendar approved for 17-18

With the purpose of maximizing the number of instructional days prior to testing and building breaks between grading periods, the CISD Board of Trustees approved a calendar based on support of the District of Innovation committee and the majority of online voters.

The calendar equalizes the length of both semesters. Student start date is August 7. A week-long break in October after the first grading period will provide much-needed downtime for students and teachers. Teachers and aides must attend training on their own time to make up for the four days off in October. Administrators and year-round office staff will either work that week or use personal or non-duty days instead.

Students will have a longer break between semesters when they report back January 10. School will end on May 18, one week after standardized testing ends.

Teachers will report back on July 27 for seven staff development days prior to school start.

Of the 689 responses to the online calendar survey of students, parents and staff, 365 were for the selected calendar. The votes for the two other calendar choices were essentially split.

The 2017-2018 school calendar is included as the last page of this newsletter. Questions about the calendar can be submitted online and responses will be posted.

## **Tremmel leads TAPR public hearing**

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Patricia Tremmel led the required public hearing about the annual report, which includes the Texas Academic Performance Report for 2015-16, PEIMS financial standards reports, district accreditation status, campus performance objectives and information received from the THECB for CHS. The document is available for public viewing at each campus and the Central Administration Building.



The CHS Varsity Cheerleaders won State Small School Co-ed Division at the UIL Spirit Competition in Fort Worth. Representing the squad at the Board recognition were front row Jacee Buchanan, Jesse Edwards, Brooklyn Matthews, Sara Rumbaugh, Hallie Smith, Claire Dobbs, Caitlin Sneed, Kassady Todhunter, Faith Dickson, Kolton Abrams, Nic Smith Back row: Jaden Buchanan, Kailee Wright, Mya Wilson, Mercie Lawson, Sawyer Colvin, sponsor.

# ON BOARD



Cody Farrell, Head Football Coach

Superintendent Charlie Alderman introduced the new head football coach Cody Farrell to the Board.

Farrell most recently was at Hallsville ISD. He has coached at the collegiate level at Abilene Christian University and West Texas A&M University.

#### BOARD MEETINGS

7:00 3315 Washington

Thurs ...3/23 Tues ...4/18 Mon ...5/15 Mon ...6/19

#### Superintendent's report...

- Enrollment is down 25 students from this time last year 1591.
- Alderman announced that the filing closed for the trustee election on May 6, 2017. Candidates include Dr. Mark Reid and Eddie Vowell for Place 4 and Dr. LaVelle Hendricks for Place 5. Early voting begins April 24 at City Hall.
- The next regular Board meeting was set for Thursday, March 23, 2017, with executive session at 6 p.m. and the regular meeting at 7 p.m.

#### In other action...

- The Board approved contract extensions for all district administrators, NETCAT director and Tri County SSA director and assistant director. The Board accepted the resignation of Kristi Dunn, CMS teacher, and employed Gaby Mireles as an educational diagnostician at Tri County SSA.
- Other items include:
  - Approval of early voting clerks,
  - Increase of adult breakfast price to \$2.25,
  - Designating March 6-10 as Texas Public Schools Week at CISD,
  - Approval of sale of tax foreclosed properties submitted by Hunt County attorneys and district tax collection attorneys.
- ▼ The Graduate Profile was also approved by the Board. The document resulted from six community meetings where citizens and staff discussed the skills and traits a CHS graduate who possess upon graduation.

# IGERS SOMMERCE AS

## Commerce Independent School District









#### Commerce ISD graduates will exhibit...

#### Academic Excellence

- A rigorous and extensive foundation in core academic areas such as math, science, language arts and social studies
- Be a commended achiever by demonstrating proficiency on state and national assessments as well as applicable industry licensures, and certifications
- Demonstrate confidence in expression and understanding of a language other than English
- Display mastery of technology in personal, scholastic and career settings
- Participate in and appreciate the value of physical fitness and fine arts
- Be prepared to pursue multiple post-secondary opportunities

## Responsible Citizenship and Character

- Exhibit honesty, integrity and worthiness
- Take initiative and fulfill commitment
- Accept responsibility and accountability
- Be respectful of others

#### Innovation

- Analyze situations, develop a creative solution and fortitude to complete a task
- · Have a passion for and ownership of learning
- Apply knowledge to solve problems and generate original solutions
- Possess self-expression through artistic, creative and intellectual means

#### **Global Awareness**

- Understand current issues and world events
- Be environmentally responsible
- Value leadership and civic responsibility
- Respect for cultural diversity

#### **Effective Communication Skills**

- Comprehend and express ideas clearly through various means and modes of communication
- · Listen critically
- Articulate clearly
- Utilize leadership skills
- Collaborate effectively with others

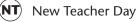
#### **Personal Growth and Stewardship**

- Become self-determined, motivational and disciplined
- Demonstrate personal financial responsibility
- Possess grit to persevere in adversity
- · Exhibit wise life and career planning decisions
- Demonstrate a responsible work ethic
- Demonstrate pride in our community

## COMMERCE ISD 2017-18

| 7/20–21 Registration                    |
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| Noon-6 p.m. Thursday                    |
| 7:30–1 p.m. Friday                      |
| 7/27–28 New teacher days                |
| 7/31–8/4 Staff development              |
| 8/7 First day of class                  |
| 9/4 Holiday                             |
| 10/12 End of 1st reporting period       |
| 10/13 Student holiday/staff development |
| 10/16–19 Teacher Exchange Days          |
| 10/20 Holiday                           |
| 10/23 Beginning of 2nd reporting period |
| 11/20–24 Holiday                        |
| 12/21 Early release                     |
| 12/21 End of 2nd reporting period       |
| 12/22–1/5 Holiday                       |
| 1/8-9 Student holiday/staff development |
| 1/10 Beginning of 3rd reporting period  |
| 1/15 Holiday                            |
| 2/19 Student holiday/staff development  |
| 3/9 End of 3rd reporting period         |
| 3/12–16 Spring Break                    |
| 3/19 Beginning of 4th reporting period  |
| 3/30 Bad weather make-up day            |
| 4/2Bad weather make-up day              |
| 5/18 Early Release                      |
| 5/18 End of 4th reporting period        |
| 5/18 Graduation                         |
| 5/19 Staff development                  |
| 5/28 Offices closed                     |

No Classes Held—Holiday



Student Holidays:

P Staff Development
W Teacher Workday

X Teacher Exchange Day

Reporting Period BeginsReporting Period Ends

Bad Weather Day

Early Release

CISD offices closed

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#### **2017 FALL SEMESTER**

87 Instructional Days

#### **JULY 2017**

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#### **2018 SPRING SEMESTER**

84 Instructional Days

#### **JANUARY 2018**

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