

SPECIAL MEETING

ATTENDANCE

Present: Dr. Fuller, Mr. Hammons, Ms. Porten, Mr. Hopkins,
Mr. Denison, Ms. Turner, Mr. Kirby
Absent: None

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Fuller called this meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

PLEDGES

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following people spoke in support of Christa Tatem:
Callie Thomas, Lisa Peddicord, Holly Harris, Larissa Rodriguez, Tanya Rodriguez.

CLOSED MEETING

Dr. Fuller stated that the Board would go into a closed meeting as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, under Texas Government Code Sections 551.074.

CLOSED MEETING – 4:21 PM

OPEN MEETING – 4:36 PM

SUPERINTENDENT
STATEMENT

Dr. Heath Morrison, Superintendent of MISD, recommended that the Board terminate the probationary contract at the end of the contract term of Christa Tatem in the best interest of the district based on a material omission on her employment application and other factors.

PERSONNEL

MOTION # 6249

Dr. Fuller moved, and Mr. Hopkins seconded to terminate the probationary contract of Special Education Counselor, Christa Tatem at the end of the contract term in the best interest of the district.

UNANIMOUS (7-0)

CLOSED MEETING

Dr. Fuller stated that the Board would go into a closed meeting as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, under Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, 551.129, and 551.074, hear oral arguments and consider the recommendation and record of the independent hearing examiner in the matter of Montgomery ISD vs. Christa Tatem Dkt. No. 022-LH-12-2021.

CLOSED MEETING – 4:39 PM

OPEN MEETING – 5:34 PM

PERSONNEL

MOTION # 6250

Take appropriate action related to deliberation regarding the recommendation of the independent hearing examiner in the matter of Montgomery ISD vs. Christa Tatem, Dkt. No. 022-LH-12-2021. Dr. Fuller moved, and Mr. Hopkins seconded to adopt in its entirety the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendation of the Independent Hearing Examiner in TEA Dkt. No. 022-LH-12-2021, to terminate and suspend without pay pending discharge for good cause the probationary contract of Special Education Counselor Christa Tatem. Christa Tatem is terminated effective immediately.

UNANIMOUS (7-0)

BOARD PRESIDENT
STATEMENT

Dr. Fuller, Board President, made a statement regarding his disappointment, the lack of judgment, and the conduct of the aforementioned employee. He also stated how proud he was of the district in how they handled this unfortunate incident citing MISD's unwavering efforts and obligations and commitment to students.

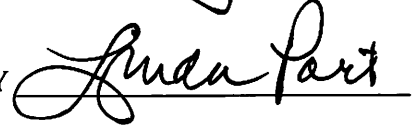
ADJOURN

This meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM

PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

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