



September 9, 2024

The Dickinson Independent School District Board of Trustees met on Monday, September 9, 2024 for a regular Board Action meeting. This is a recap of the highlights from the meeting.

### ***Pat Spies approved as Principal at Kranz Junior High***

Kranz Junior High Assistant Principal Pat Spies was approved by the Board of Trustees in a 5-0 vote to be the next principal at Kranz Junior High. Spies began his educational career as a teacher and coach at the middle schools and high school. He spent over a decade at Dickinson High School, where he taught English and coached football and basketball. In 2019, Spies transitioned to the assistant principal role at Kranz Junior High, where he has been instrumental in leading instructional systems and managing student discipline to promote academic growth and a positive campus culture. His extensive experience in teaching, coaching, and leadership, along with his dedication to student and staff success, makes him the ideal candidate to serve as a next principal at Kranz.



*Pat Spies, Principal  
Kranz Junior High*

### ***Kim Kelley appointed as new Director of School Leadership***

Kranz Junior High Principal Kim Kelley has been approved for a new role in Dickinson ISD at the district level. Kelley is the district's Director of School Leadership, which is a new role that aligns with Dickinson ISD's commitment to enhancing support across all campuses. The position was crafted to bolster campus administrators by providing extensive support, evaluation, and strategic guidance in all facets of school and campus management. Kelley will be instrumental in aiding campus leaders, ensuring they excel in navigating the complexities of educational administration and advancing an environment marked by excellence and continuous improvement. Kelley's journey in Dickinson ISD began in 2014 as the principal at Barber Middle School, where she was pivotal in fostering a collaborative environment that aligned seamlessly with the district's goals. In 2018, she took the helm at Eugene Kranz Junior High School, spearheading initiatives that significantly enhanced student growth and laid a robust academic foundation.



*Kim Kelley, Director of  
School Leadership*

### ***In Other Action...***

- The Board approved the guaranteed maximum price for package #1 to begin construction of Elementary #8 in Lago Mar. The total of \$5,519,521 was approved to cover some of the concrete work, dirt work, underground work, and storm drainage. A groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for 9 a.m. Monday, September 30 to celebrate the start of construction. The campus is tentatively scheduled for open in August 2026 to serve students in grades Pre-K-5th grade.
- The Board also approved opting out of Transportation Code 547.701 related to seat belts of school buses due to budget limitations. a policy update related to student travel, certified district appraisers, the Human Resources Department recruiting calendar, and consent agenda items.
- The Board approved two resignations.
- The Board received written reports and a summary of the 2024-2025 Dickinson ISD District Improvement Plan and each Campus Improvement Plan.

# Board Recognitions

## ***Dickinson ISD Head Building Keepers***

There is an important group of employees working behind the scenes each day to make sure our buildings are clean and ready for students, teachers, support staff, and visitors. Whether it is cleaning and maintaining restrooms, picking up trash, dusting, mopping and so much more, the district's 16 Head Building Keepers have an eye for details and lead the custodians at each facility to make sure the 2.65 million square feet of district facilities are cleaned. The Board of Trustees honored the following:



Kassandra Aviles, Bay Colony  
Maria Pena, Calder Road  
Lupe Olguin, Hughes Road  
Perla Padilla, K.E. Little  
Lupita Garcia, Lobit Village  
Raquel Pelico, San Leon

Abraham Morales, Silbernagel  
Bernadino Romero, Barber  
Susana Castillo, Dunbar  
Juan Pelico, Dickinson Junior  
Maria Coreno, Kranz

Alex Flores, McAdams  
Gloria Gomez, Dickinson High  
Maribel Cuadra, DCC/DALC  
Nina Flores, ESC and Gator Academy  
Esther Lopez, Facility Services

## ***Teacher Incentive Allotment Recipients***

Dickinson ISD had 35 teacher qualify to receive the Teacher Incentive Allotment during the August 2024 distribution. The TIA was created in 2019 as part of House Bill 3, and the goal of the program is to recruit, retain, and reward high-quality teachers by providing a state stipend based on performance.



To receive a designation, a teacher must be National Board Certified or identified as a top-performing teacher per the standards provided by TEA as well as meet district criteria. The three designation levels are Recognized, Exemplary, and Master, and the stipend amount varies from \$903 - \$20,060 based on the designation level and current campus assignment.

The data the district submitted from the 2022-2023 school year for validation, reliability, and review passed critical data tests performed by Texas Tech University and the Texas Education Agency, and this means 35 DISD teachers were eligible to receive a state stipend last month.

Congratulations to the following TIA recipients for the August 2024 distribution. They include:

### **Master Designation**

Ashley Anderson  
Creacy Brown  
Francesca Grice  
Carol Leggio  
Li Lu  
Yadira Seshar

### **Exemplary Designation**

Cinthya Angeles  
Andrea Bright  
Sarah Carr  
Diane Fernandez  
Anna Flores  
Victoria Graves  
Alexandria Hernandez  
Ryan Janak  
Marisa Johnson  
Melanie Macias  
Alexis N'Ganga  
Monica Rickerl  
Emily Tracy  
Jessica Van Horn

### **Recognized Designation**

Barbara Erdberg  
Shelby Hollen  
Juliann Ivory  
Diana Lobato  
Karly Provoyeur  
William Seidensticker  
Michael-Ann Shumate  
Stephanie Smothers  
Devin Tarver  
Janet Tuttle  
Christie Verdun  
Hannah Westerlage

## **Texas New Mexico Power and CLEAResult Score and Load Shed Program**

Josh Campbell, Program Manager with Texas New Mexico Power, presented Dickinson ISD with a \$108,126 check for energy efficiency through participation in the annual CLEAResult Score and Load Shed Program. District highlights which helped account for the cash incentive include multiple chiller and HVAC retrofits, roof replacements, LED light retrofits, and summer load management. The Score Program provides energy performance benchmarking, an Energy Master Planning Workshop, opportunity assessments, technical assistance, communications support, and cash incentives. Pictured with Campbell for the ceremonial check presentation are members of the Board of Trustees, Superintendent Dr. Rebecca Brown, Director of Energy Management Jeff Pulkinen and Assistant Director of Energy Management Aaron Whitener.



## **Board of Trustees Meeting September Pledge Leader**

Thank you to Lily Snyder, third grader at San Leon Elementary, for leading the pledges to the American flag and the Texas flag at the September 9 board meeting.



## **2024-2025 Board of Trustees**

The Dickinson ISD Board of Trustees consists of seven members each elected to serve a single-member district for a three year term. Board meeting agendas are posted at least 72 hours before the start of a meeting. For more information about the Board of Trustees, visit the Dickinson ISD website at [www.dickinsonisd.org/page/board.home](http://www.dickinsonisd.org/page/board.home). Working along with Superintendent Dr. Rebecca Brown, the Board of Trustees includes President Corey Magliolo, Vice President Jessica Rodriguez, Secretary Veanna Veasey, and trustees Mary Anthamatten, Kenna Cotton, Mike Mackey, and Jonathan Mills.

