## FINANCIAL INTEGRITY RATING SYSTEM OF TEXAS HEARING

## CLIFTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Monday, December 18, 2023

\*\*THIS IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA
ITEMS AND DECISIONS. THIS IS NOT OFFICIAL
MINUTES OR COMPLETE DISCUSSIONS THAT
MAY HAVE TAKEN PLACE DURING THE COURSE
OF THE MEETING. \*\*\*

- 1. Roll Call, Establishment of Quorum, Call to Order
- 2. Open Forum/Public Comments
  - No one signed up to speak.
- 3. Presentation of the 2022-2023 District Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST)
  - #TeamCISD Superintendent Andy Ball stated the state's school financial accountability rating system, known as the School Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST), ensures that Texas public schools are held accountable for the quality of their financial management practices and that they improve these practices. The system is designed to encourage Texas public schools to better manage their financial resources to provide the maximum allocation possible for direct instructional purposes.
  - Ball explained that within two months of the release of the district's final School FIRST, which was in November, the district must announce and hold a public meeting to distribute a financial management report that explains the district's rating and its performance under each indicator for the current and previous year's

- ratings. To inform taxpayers of the public meeting, notice of the meeting must be posted in the newspaper no more than 30 days and no fewer than 10 days before the meeting.
- Ball said Clifton ISD received a rating of A, Superior Achievement and a maximum score of 100 on the FIRST Report.
- 4. Adjournment