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## HISD Board approves annual team-building sessions, hears superintendent search survey results

Feb. 14, 2019 – The Houston Independent School District Board of Education on Thursday approved an annual team-building session between trustees and the superintendent with the aim to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the board.

A search for a permanent superintendent will continue after trustees voted 5-3 against suspending the search.

Trustees also approved an agreement to allow deputies with the Harris County Sheriff's Department to conduct active-shooter training at an HISD facility. The Houston Independent School District Police Department conducts its own training on a regular basis.

The board also voted to accept almost \$55,000 in grants to replace instruments destroyed by Hurricane Harvey at Fonville and Forest Brook middle schools. The grants are from the Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation.

Trustees also heard the results of a recent community survey conducted by the superintendent search firm Hazard, Young, Attea and Associates.

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