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# New Leadership at Hays CISD Education Foundation Ready for Success

Hays Consolidated Independent School District (Hays CISD) Superintendent Dr. Eric Wright is pleased to announce the selection of Ida Musgrove as the executive director of the Hays Education Foundation, and Carmen Sifuentes who will serve as the foundation specialist. The Hays Education Foundation is starting a new chapter under a new memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Hays CISD Board of Trustees that went into effect earlier in 2023.

“We are excited for this new day in the history of the Hays Education Foundation,” said Superintendent Dr. Eric Wright. “We had an opportunity following the pandemic and some previous staff retirements to make some changes that will set up our foundation to be even more successful than ever. There are many opportunities on the horizon as the district continues to grow – not only in student size, but also the number of businesses that want to be involved with all of the remarkable things happening in our schools.”

“I am particularly excited about the leadership team we have in place for the foundation’s newest chapter. Ida and Carmen are both highly talented, experienced, and involved community members and parents. They are going to help the Foundation make amazing things happen in the coming years,” said Dr. Wright.

Musgrove has more than 20 years of experience in intergovernmental relations and legislative affairs at the federal, state, and municipal levels. In her previous role, Musgrove served as the City of Austin’s deputy intergovernmental relations officer for six years. For 14 years, she served as general counsel and legislative director to state Senator Leticia Van de Putte (San Antonio), where she staffed the senator on the Senate Education Committee. Her first career was as a band director in the Austin Independent School District where she taught at Reagan High School and Fulmore Middle School. She earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the University of Texas at Austin and a Juris Doctorate from St. Mary’s University School of Law. She has lived in Buda for 19 years with her husband, Mahlin, where they have raised their two children, Antonio and Isabella.

Sifuentes has extensive administrative experience and has been involved in Hays CISD for more than a decade serving on district committees and campus PTA’s. She currently serves on the board of the Johnson High School Band Boosters as vice president of fundraising, and is a member of the district’s Facilities & Bond Oversight Committee (FBOC). Sifuentes has lived in Buda for 16 years with her husband, Hugo, where they have raised their two children, Hugo and Nico.

“I am honored to have been selected as executive director by the Foundation and the Board of Trustees for this amazing school district. Carmen and I are anxious to get working with the Foundation Board, our district, and all of our stakeholders to reach our collective goals. The work we do will benefit of all our students in Hays CISD. Carmen and I have a long history of successfully working together in many different capacities within the district and we look forward to bringing similar successes to the Foundation.”

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