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G-PISD Trustees Accept Resignation of Superintendent Dr. Paul Clore

The Gregory-Portland ISD Board of Trustees accepted the resignation of Superintendent Dr. Paul Clore, who will retire as of December 31, 2020. Trustees reviewed and accepted the letter of retirement at a special called meeting on Monday, April 13, 2020. Following the unanimous 7-0 vote to accept, Trustees moved to offer thanks and congratulations to Dr. Clore for his many years of service.

"It's been my pleasure (to serve)," said Dr. Clore. "When you look at where we were, compared to where we've come, it's really amazing that we have done as much as we have done so far ... but we still have more to do."

Dr. Clore was hired as Superintendent for Gregory-Portland ISD in June of 2001, and upon retirement will have served the District for 19 years. Prior to this tenure, Dr. Clore was Superintendent for George West ISD and Columbus ISD. In years prior he was a Central Office Administrator, Principal, and Teacher. He served several Texas public school districts in these roles, and during his time as a Reading Consultant for the HOSTS Learning Corporation in Washington, he provided mentoring and intervention solutions for K-12 schools across the nation.

"Here in G-PISD, Dr. Clore has a long history of dedication to our students, teachers, and community," said Board President Victor Hernandez. "He's developed plans that led to the passing of successful bond elections in 2012 and 2015, and provided support to our School Board during some of the most trying times in our history ... including what we are facing right now with COVID-19. Dr. Clore has been a leader to so many, and a strong advocate for schoolchildren not just in our District but across the state. He will be missed, and we are extremely thankful for all he's done for G-PISD."

As of December 31st of this year, Dr. Clore will have served a total of 47 years as an educator, including 28 of those years as a Superintendent for Texas public school districts. He was one of five state finalists for Superintendent of the Year in 2004, recognized by the Texas Association of School Administrators and Texas Association of School Boards. Dr. Clore was named the Region 2 Superintendent of the Year in 2004.

He has served on the Texas Association of School Administrators' Executive Committee, and served from 2012 to 2014 as President of the Equity Center, an organization committed to equitable funding for Texas public schools. He has been Director of the Texas Association of Mid-Sized Schools since 2009, and has served on the Texas Association of Community Schools' Executive Committee since 2011. Today, he serves on the Superintendent's Cabinet for the Texas Commissioner of Education, Mike Morath.

"There are no words to express how grateful I am to everyone in this school district who has done such a marvelous job for our students during my time here," said Dr. Clore. "I look forward to continuing the great work we are doing, and I also look forward to supporting those efforts as able in the years to follow. Seeing what we are going through right now (with COVID-19), and how our team has pulled together, I know there is a bright future for our district and its students."