

# Comal Independent School District

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Kistner resigns from Comal ISD Board of Trustees**

Laura Linhart Kistner, Comal ISD school board member since 2004, announced her resignation from the school board at the end of last night's regular monthly meeting.

"My family is moving within Comal ISD, but we will no longer reside in District 1," Kistner said. "It has been such an honor to serve the citizens of District 1. I am grateful to them for allowing me the opportunity to represent them on the board of trustees."

State election code requires that board members reside in the district in which they serve.

Kistner was appointed in August 2004 to fill the vacancy left by Dora Gonzales who resigned that summer. In 2005-06, Kistner served as the board's treasurer and in 2006-07 she has been serving as the board's secretary.

"Laura has been a terrific member of our board," said Dr. Marc Walker, superintendent. "She is passionate about public education, the Comal ISD, and always keeps students first. We will miss her involvement."

She will continue to serve on the Comal Public School Foundation's board of directors and is active in the community. Kistner also serves on the New Braunfels Parks Foundation and is active in the Association of Fundraising Professionals and the Texas Exes.

“The teachers and staff are of the highest caliber and I am grateful to have worked with so many of them,” Kistner said. “I am very proud of the many things that the board and administration accomplished while I was on the board — selecting a great leader in Marc Walker, passing a bond, building new schools, being good stewards of resources and moving toward exemplary status. All of these things required a tremendous team effort and I was lucky to be a small part of that. I will miss working with these caring and committed people.”

Kistner’s term on the board expires in May 2009 so, according to state law, the school board has 180 days to either appoint someone until the next regular election in May 2008 or it may order a special election to fill the unexpired term. That decision will be made in the near future.

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