

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Terrell County Independent School District
November 20, 2024

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Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Following are the official minutes for the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Terrell County Independent School District for **Wednesday, November 20, 2024** beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Sanderson High School Conference Room at Sanderson High School 302 N. Second Street, Sanderson, Texas.

1. Moment of Silence and Pledge to the Flags (7:00 p.m.)
2. A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 7:00 by school board president, Lali Ortiz.
Members present were: Lali Ortiz, Fernando Sanchez, Jon Tom Lowrance, Enrique Rivera, Wes Billings and Angela Duperrault.
Members absent were: Marco Fuentes
Visitors in attendance were: Justin Hilliard, Virginia Garza, David Carrasco, Tanna Lowrance
3. Public Forum
 - a. **PUBLIC COMMENTS/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION [TCISD Policy BED (LOCAL)].**
Noone signed up to speak under public comments.
4. District Reports
 - a. **Athletic Report: J. Hilliard, AD,** reported that basketball season is going well. He also reported on the All-District Selections for the 2024 football season. Sanderson was well represented. He also discussed that we were the first official basketball game in school history for the Alpine Christian school.
 - b. **Counselor's Report: V. Garza** reported that the Access program is going well and Mrs. Shackelford has visited the district twice in regards to the program. One student has visited via zoom regarding Sul Ross' medical program. Sophomores have taken the ASVAB. Two students have visited with a military recruiter. All ASVAB scores have been distributed. We are in the process of rescheduling with the Workforce of the Permian Basin. Midland College made a campus visit with gifts for our students, they also did a campus audit for institutional accountability purposes on their end. STAAR retest will take place the first week of December.
 - c. **Technology Director's Report: D.Carrasco** reported that the website updates are ongoing and he has completed the update for 'Special Programs'. Messages XR is still in progress and Mrs. Robert's classroom door card reader has stopped working so he is in the process of working with VGI to get it fixed.
 - d. **Yearbook Report: G.Roberts** reported (via Mrs. Lowrance) that she hoped to complete the 2023 yearbook by Christmas, the 2024 yearbook by May and the 2025 in the summer.
 - e. **Financial Report: B.Chriesman** reported on the List of Bills, Financials and Tax Report
 - f. **Superintendent/Principal Reports: T.Lowrance** reported the district is getting facilities ready to host elementary and JH UIL, JH basketball tournament, and HS basketball tournament all in December. BOY reading data shows 80% of our students are reading at or above grade level or are making progress to be on grade level by the end of the year. Mrs. Lowrance distributed the December event calendar. It is a busy month. Mrs. Rosas, Mrs. Harkins and Mr. Saddleback will be on the TIA committee. The first in person committee meeting with Region 15 will be December 4th on campus. TCISD had a door audit with one finding to correct. We are on track to dedicate the track meet this spring.
5. Consent Agenda :
 - a. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 16, 2024

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Mr. Lowrance motioned to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on October 16, 2024. Mr. Rivera seconded the motion. The motion passed 4:0 with Mrs. Duperrault and Mr. Billings abstaining.

- b. Minutes of Special Meeting of November 13, 2024

-moved to December meeting-

- c. Minutes of Called Board Meeting of November 13, 2024

Mr. Lowrance motioned to approve the minutes of the Called Board Meeting on November 13, 2024. Mr Sanchez seconded the motion. The motion carried 5:0 with Mr. Rivera abstaining.

- d. Budget Amendment(s)

-none-

Action Items:

- a. Discussion and possible approval of proposed changes to the 2024-2025 TCISD School Calendar

The motion was made by Mr. Sanchez and seconded by Mrs. Duperrault to approve the calendar changes to accommodate hosting the elementary and junior high UIL meet on December 11, 2024. The motion carried 6-0.

- b. Discussion and possible approval of the bid for the Field House Slab

no action

Executive Session: Pursuant of Texas Governmental Code 551, the board may retire to closed session for discussion of items listed below:

THE BOARD ENTERED EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:50 p.m.

- a. Personnel
b. Superintendent Appraisal (to be handed out)

The board reentered open meeting at 8:26

No action to be taken on closed meeting agenda items.

6. Adjournment

MR. RIVERA MADE THE MOTION TO ADJOURN AND MR. BILLINGS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 6:0

ADJOURN: 8:26 P.M.

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Mrs. Lali Ortiz
President

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Mr. Jen Tom Lowrance
Secretary