

Tolar Independent School District
Board of Trustees
Minutes of Regular Meeting
March 3, 2025

The Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on Monday, March 3, 2025. The following members were present: David Cook, Justin Deaver, Matt Imel, Rhonda Knight, and Dalton Nix.

Absent from the meeting was: Brad Cooper, and Josh Swaim

Meeting with the Board of Trustees were Travis Stilwell, Superintendent; Kristen Carey, Assistant Superintendent; Clint Gardner, High School Principal; Casey Hamilton, Junior High Principal; Christal Hollinger, Elementary Principal; Christine Murphy, Business Manager; Erin McCarten, HR Administrative Assistant; Blake Mouser, Athletic Director.

Others attending meeting: David Wood, Stacey Willmon, Richard Bold, Diana Daniels, and Karen Clark.

Regular Board Meeting

1. Invocation led by Justin Deaver.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Quorum was established and the meeting was called to order by Dalton Nix at 6:31 p.m.
4. Public Comments: David Wood commented on behalf of Wood's Brothers Sport Scene requesting to be the official broadcaster for Tolar ISD. Stacy Willmon presented an invitation to the upcoming OAP, and shared updates on the OAP program.
5. Mr. Stilwell and Rhonda Knight recognized the Diamondback Rattler recipients, which included: Jenny Foreman, Heather Hutsell, Amy Gardner, Doris Pingleton, Jenny Stilwell, and Laura Lane.
6. Individual/Committee Reports
Christal Hollinger gave the Elementary report:
Upcoming Events: field day, family picnic, K-Camp, and family night.

Additional Updates: Kids clean-up club started by 4th and 2nd grade to work on playground, bingo prizes collected for senior citizens, community coming together to serve Tolar well.

Casey Hamilton gave the Junior High report:
Upcoming Events: Testing, Field trip to Weatherford College

Additional Updates: Heart dissection, earth dome, and track in full swing

Clint Gardner gave the High School report:
Upcoming Events: Wildlife field trip, prom, STAAR

Additional Updates: ACT, band UIL

Kristen Carey gave the Instruction/Technology & Safety report: Safety grant extension, curriculum review, last SHAC April 2nd

Blake Mouser gave the Athletic report: Softball, Baseball and golf progressing well, 26 lone star points

7. Motion by Justin Deaver, second by Rhonda Knight to approve minutes and monthly financial statements/reports from January 20, 2025 Public Hearing.
Motion carried
Vote: Pass -5 *Oppose -0*

8. Motion by Justin Deaver, second by Matt Imel to approve the 2025-2026 District Calendar.
Motion carried
Vote: Pass - 5 *Oppose -0*

9. Motion by Matt Imel, second by Rhonda Knight to approve the attendance waivers for low attendance day for the 2024/2025 school year.
Motion carried
Vote: Pass -5 *Oppose -0*

10. Motion by Matt Imel, second by Rhonda Knight to appoint the Superintendent to submit waivers on behalf of the district.
Motion carried
Vote: Pass -5 *Oppose -0*

11. Motion by Rhonda Knight second by Matt Imel to approve the revisions to (LOCAL) policies as offered by TASB Policy Service for Localized Policy Manual Update 124
CAA(LOCAL): FISCAL MANAGEMENT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES - FINANCIAL ETHICS
CDA(LOCAL): OTHER REVENUES - INVESTMENTS
CY(LOCAL): INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
DH(LOCAL): EMPLOYEE STANDARDS OF CONDUCT
EHB(LOCAL): CURRICULUM DESIGN - SPECIAL PROGRAMS
EHBB(LOCAL): SPECIAL PROGRAMS - GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS
FFG(LOCAL): STUDENT WELFARE - CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT
GKA(LOCAL): COMMUNITY RELATIONS - CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PREMISES
Motion carried
Vote: Pass -5 *Oppose -0*

12. Motion by Matt Imel, second by Justin Deaver to approve Snow Garrett for the 2024-2025 audit services.
Motion carried
Vote: Pass -5 *Oppose -0*

13. Motion by Rhonda Knight, second by David Cook to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between TISD and Tarleton State University
Motion carried
Vote: Pass -5 *Oppose -0*

- 14. Motion by Matt Imel, second by Rhonda Knight to approve Budget amendment #1.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass -5

Oppose -0

- 15. Discussion regarding Teacher Incentive Allotment, presentation given Kristen Carey

- 16. Discussion regarding Tax Ratification Election

- 17. Superintendent’s report

- a. Roof update
- b. HS vestibule update

Executive/Closed Session

- 18. Executive Session as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act (Texas Government Code 551)

- a. Personnel
 - i. Principals, Athletic Director, Technology Director and Assistant Superintendent Contracts
- b. School Safety
 - i. District vulnerability Assessment full report
- c. Student Discipline

Board entered into executive session at 8:04 p.m.

Board reconvened to regular session at 8:55 p.m.

Open Session/Action

- 19. Motion by Rhonda Knight, second by Matt Imel to approve one year extension of administrative contracts for Christal Hollinger, Casey Hamilton, Clint Gardner, Blake Mouser and Kristen Carey.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass -5

Oppose -0

- 20. Motion by Rhonda Knight, second by Matt Imel to approve 3% pay raise for Christal Hollinger, Casey Hamilton, Clint Gardner, Blake Mouser, Kristen Carey, Trisha Bagby, and Christine Murphy.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass -5

Oppose -0

- 21. Motion by Rhonda Knight, second by David Cook to approve a two year term contract for Trisha Bagby.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass -5

Oppose -0

- 22. Topics for future discussion:

> T-TESS policy

- >Pay plan for TIA
- >Sound System for gym

23. Motion by Matt Imel, second by David Cook to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass -5

Oppose -0

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.



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