



**2024-2025
Board
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The Board of Trustees meets in regular session on the fourth Wednesday of each month, and at other times as necessary.

Meetings are normally held at 11:30 a.m. at the TISD Services Building, 1600 Waterall Street, or at other designated locations in the District. The public is welcome to attend all meetings.

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**A Summary of the Minutes from
the TISD Board of Trustees Meeting
Wednesday, April 23, 2025**

At the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held on Wednesday, April 23rd, the Board of Trustees conducted the following business:

- CONDUCTED** a public forum. There were no participants.
- ADJOURNED** to a forty-four minute closed session.
- RECEIVED** information on Congressman Nathaniel Moran's visit to Texas High for an interview with Tiger Vision students and a meeting with an AP Government class.
- RECEIVED** information regarding two of our students who were recognized for their leadership and service to our district and community at the Leadership Texarkana's Lunch with Leaders event. Elle Floyd, Texas High Student Body President, was honored for her extensive volunteer work, and Nirav Neupane was recognized for developing an innovative app that helps track volunteer hours.
- RECEIVED** notification that Waggoner Creek Elementary is now officially a Leader in Me Lighthouse School.
- RECEIVED** information of an upcoming field trip for Texas High School Students to the International Thespian Festival in Bloomington, Indiana on June 22 – 28, 2025.
- RECEIVED** information on the status of each Board member's continuing education credit, noting that all TISD Board of Trustees have exceeded this annual requirement.
- APPROVED** minutes of the March 26, 2025 regular Board meeting.
- APPROVED** monthly investment report.
- APPROVED** proposals for 1) Awards, Trophies, and Promotional Specialty Items Vendors; 2) Band and Related Groups Equipment, Services and Supply Vendors; 3) Cargo Van for Transportation; 4) Equipment for Child Nutrition #2 – This item was rejected; 5) Equipment for CTE Building 2 for Texas High School #2; 6) Equipment Repair Vendor for Child Nutrition; 7) Purchases Over \$50,000.
- APPROVED** Partners in Education donations for the period March 2025 totaling \$11,469.50.
- APPROVED** Budget Amendments for the 2024-2025 FY.
- APPROVED** Memorandum of Understanding between Community Services of Northeast Texas, Inc. Head Start Program and TISD 2025-2026.
- APPROVED** Nutrition Contracts between Community Services of Northeast Texas, Inc. Head Start Program and TISD 2025-2026.
- APPROVED** Donor Agreement with Texarkana ISD Education Foundation.
- APPROVED** Lease between Texarkana ISD and Community Services of Northeast Texas, Inc. Head Start Program.
- APPROVED** TEA General Waiver for Course Review Process, 2025-2026.
- APPROVED** 2025-2026 TISD Digital Academy of Texas School Calendar.
- APPROVED** LifeWise Academy Pilot Program for the 2025-26 School Year.
- APPROVED** Memorandum of Understanding with Ark-Tex Council of Governments 9-1-1 Program and Integrated Indoor School Mapping Use.
- APPROVED** Use of TCI Texarkana, Inc. 313 Agreement Supplemental Payment Funds.
- APPROVED** monthly financial report.
- APPROVED** monthly expenditures.



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APPROVED first reading of budget FY 2025-2026.

RECEIVED personnel information items listed below:

Resignations/Retirements

- Bates, Catherine – 1st Grade Teacher – Wake Village Elementary School
- Bradley, Ashley – 3rd Grade Teacher – Highland Park Elementary School
- Campbell, Karen – 6th Grade ELA Teacher – Texas Middle School
- Carlile, Morgan – 4th Grade Teacher – Wake Village Elementary School
- Cochran, Joseph – Special Education Teacher – Texas High School
- Dodson, Reed – Special Education Teacher – Texas Middle School
- Dovell, Elijah – 5th Grade Teacher – Highland Park Elementary School
- Dunkin, Brittaney – 8th Grade Social Studies Teacher – Texas Middle School
- Godfrey, Michaela – Pre-Kindergarten Teacher – Nash Elementary School
- Harris, Jalisha – 5th Grade Teacher – Highland Park Elementary School
- Henry, Sandra – SDAEP Teacher – Goree/SDAEP
- Houston, Haylee – 7th Grade Math Teacher – Texas Middle School
- Jackson, Brittney – Pre-Kindergarten Teacher – Dunbar Early Education Center
- Jaeger, Linda – 3rd Grade Teacher – Westlawn Elementary School
- James-Scott, Ashley – Kindergarten Teacher – Theron Jones Early Literacy Center
- Jordan, Anthony – Teacher/Coach – Texas High School
- Lane, Shauna – 2nd Grade Teacher – Spring Lake Park Elementary School
- Mauldin, Diana – 5th Grade Teacher – Westlawn Elementary School
- McBride, Tiffany – 8th Grade Math Teacher – Texas Middle School
- Moore, Donna – Fine Arts Teacher – Morriss Elementary School
- Mulkey, Leslie – Dyslexia Teacher – Special Populations (retirement)
- Pennington, Michael – 7th Grade Social Studies Teacher – Texas Middle School
- Pulido-Rojas, America – ESL Teacher – Texas Middle School
- Starks, Callie – Special Education Teacher – Texas Middle School
- Talley, T'Anna – 3rd Grade Teacher – Westlawn Elementary School
- Tatum, Amber – Fine Arts Teacher – Westlawn Elementary School
- Wakefield, Gina – Fine Arts Teacher – Nash Elementary School
- Waller-Sanders, Chadranique – 3rd Grade Teacher – Highland Park Elementary School
- Walz, Kathryn – 1st Grade Teacher – Morriss Elementary School
- Williams, Katie – English Teacher – Texas High School

Elections/Assignments

- Cheatum, Kennedy – 1st Grade Teacher – Waggoner Creek Elementary School
- Pierson, Tedra – Special Education Teacher – Texas Middle School
- Porter, Martha – Pre-Kindergarten Teacher – Wake Village Elementary School
- Teeters, Jennifer – English Teacher – Texas High School
- Westmoreland, Emily – School Nurse – Parks Elementary School

Contract Recommendations: Renewals, Non-Renewals, Terminations, Etc.

- Stacy, Jennifer – from Teacher on 10-Month Contract to Professional Employee on 11-Month Contract
- Wilson, Lee Jaye – from Counselor on 10.5 month Professional Employee contract to Teacher on 10 month Teacher contract

List of proposed teacher contract renewals was provided under separate cover.

RECEIVED a District of Innovation report which detailed class sizes exceeding the 22:1 student to teacher ratio.

RECEIVED bond projects update.

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2025.**