Tolar Independent School District
Board of Trustees
Minutes of Regular Meeting
July 21, 2025

The Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on Monday, July 21, 2025. The following members were present: Justin Deaver, Brad Cooper, Rhonda Knight, David Cook and Josh Swaim.

Absent from the meeting was: Dalton Nix, Matt Imel

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; Michelle Lillibridge, Business Manager; Erin McCarten HR Administrative Assistant; Blake Mouser, Athletic Director.

Others attending meeting: Karen Clark, and Jaxon Hansard

1. Invocation led by Justin Deaver
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Quorum was established and the meeting was called to order by Justin Deaver at 6:33p.m.
4. Public Comments: None
5. Motion by David Cook, second by Brad Cooper to approve Minutes from June 23, 2025 Regular Meeting and the monthly financial statements/reports.
   Motion carried
   Vote: Pass -5 *Oppose -0*
6. Campus Principles presented the summative evaluation of the 2024-2025 Campus Improvement Plan.
7. Kristen Carey presented the summative evaluation of the 2024-2025 District Improvement Plan.
8. Motion by Brad Cooper, second by Josh Swaim to approve 2025-2026 Student Code of Conduct.
   Motion carried
   Vote: Pass-5 *Oppose-0*
9. Motion by Brad Cooper,, second by Rhonda Knight to approve 2025-2026 Student Handbook.
   Motion carried
   Vote: Pass-5 *Oppose-0*

10. Motion by Brad Cooper, second by David Cook to approve 2025-2026 Employee Handbook.
Motion carried
Vote: Pass-5 *Oppose-0*

11. Motion by Brad Cooper, second by Rhonda Knight to approve 2025-2026 Technology Acceptable Use Policy.
Motion carried
Vote: Pass-5 *Oppose-0*

12. Motion by Brad Cooper, second by Josh Swaim to approve 2025-2026 Information Security Policy.
Motion carried
Vote: Pass-5 *Oppose-0*

13. Motion by Josh Swaim, second by Brad Cooper to approve the Order for the November 4, 2025 election.
Motion carried
Vote: Pass -5 *Oppose -0*

14. Motion by Brad Cooper, second by Rhonda Knight to approve the Hood County and Tolar ISD contract for the November 4th 2025 general election.
Motion carried
Vote: Pass -5 *Oppose -0*

15. Motion by Brad Cooper, second by Josh Swaim to approve the propane bid for 2025-2026 for Heine Propane at set rate.
Motion carried
Vote: Pass -5 *Oppose -0*

16. Motion by Rhonda Knight, second by Josh Swaim to approve the diesel bid for 2025-2026 for Meyers.
Motion carried
Vote: Pass -5 *Oppose -0*

17. Motion by Brad Cooper, second by Rhonda Knight to approve the Resolution regarding the Good Cause Exception under HB 3 and the Requirement to Maintain Armed Security Officer(s) on each District Campus
Motion carried
Vote: Pass-5 *Oppose-0*

18. Motion by Rhonda Knight, second by David Cook to approve the membership in Walsh Gallegos' retainer program for 2025-2026
Motion carried
Vote: Pass-5 *Oppose-0*

19. Motion by Josh Swaim, second by Rhonda Knight to approve the approval of certified appraisers who can appraise a teacher in place of the teacher's supervisor
Motion carried
Vote: Pass-5 *Oppose-0*

20. Superintendent's report
    a. Budget Workshop August 4th, 2025
    b. Regular board meeting, August 25th, 2025
    c. Roof Update

Executive/Closed Session

21. The Board will convene in closed session as authorized by the Texas Government Code Chapter §551.
    a. Personnel, TX Gov't. Code 551.074
    b. School Safety, TX Gov't. Code 551.076

Board entered into executive session at 7:25 p.m.

Board reconvened to regular session at 8:07 p.m.

Open Session/Action

22. Topics for future discussion: None

23. Motion by Josh Swaim, second by Brad Cooper to adjourn the meeting.
    Motion carried
    Vote: Pass -5 *Oppose -0*

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

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