

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Terrell County Independent School District
May 21, 2025

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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, May 21, 2025** 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 (7:04 p.m.)
2. A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 7:04 by school board president, Lali Ortiz.
- 3.

Members present were:

Lali Ortiz, Fernando Sanchez, Jon Tom Lowrance, and Angela Duperrault, Marco Fuentez, Wes Billings, Enrique Rivera

Members absent were:

Administration in attendance were:

Virginia Garza, David Carrasco, Tanna Lowrance, Blain Chriesman

Staff in attendance were:

Trisha Stannard

Students and Community Members in attendance were:

Harper Sertich, Cesar Sanchez, Thalia Sanchez, Helen Daillet, Mimi Daillet

Public Forum

- a. **PUBLIC COMMENTS/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION [TCISD Policy BED (LOCAL)].**

No one signed up to speak under public comments.

-Mrs. Lowrance asked Mrs. Ortiz to strike 'Executive Session item v. Walsh-Gallegos Legal Expenses to date' from the agenda. Mrs. Ortiz announced it would be striked from the agenda. -

-Mrs. Ortiz read a letter addressed to Mrs. Lowrance and the Board of Trustees from Mr. and Mrs. George Black expressing thier sincere gratitute for the dedication of the 2025 Rio Grande relays to Mr. Black and Mr. Marquez.

Student Recognition:

Mrs. Stannard and Mrs. Garza recognized State UIL students: Thalia Sanchez, Harper Sertich, Emily Landeros, Mimi Daillet. Mrs. Stannard recognized state track qualifiers: Emily Landeros,

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Mimi Daillet. Mrs. Garza recognized junior high and high school valedictorian and salutatorian students: Sutton Harkins, Baylor Pharm, Thalia Sanchez, Mimi Daillet.

District Reports

a. Yearbook Report: G.Roberts

Mrs. Roberts reported that she took spring sport pictures for the district, yearbook staff sold ads in Fort Stockton and Sanderson selling over \$1890 in ads, taking orders for the 2025 yearbook, the goal is to complete the 24-25 and 20-21 yearbooks this summer.

b. Athletic Report: T.Lowrance, Superintendent

Mrs. Lowrance reported for Coach Hilliard: "Tennis had regional qualifiers, track had a good showing at state, field day was a success, kids all decorated their shirts and had a good time"

c. Counselor's Report: V. Garza reported all local scholarships have replied, STAAR scores should be sent to districts by Friday, Midland College has contacted the district regarding allowable classes and schedules for our students

d. Technology Director's Report: D.Carrasco reported wifi license has been renewed, he received computers from students and will bill for any damage by next week., Honeywell has cleaned all units, will return every two weeks for maintenance, DH Pace has more doors to install, adding information to the website weekly.

e. Financial Report: B.Chriesman reported on the List of Bills, Financials

f. Superintendent/Principal Reports: T.Lowrance reported the summer to do list is in the works, project graduation had 7 participants, 5 received \$2454 each and two received \$450 each, Val and Sal for JH and HS were announced May 8th, IDM is working to complete the retention wall project, May was extremely busy

4. Consent Agenda :

Mr. Lowrance motioned to approve the board minutes from April 26, 2025 and budget amendments as presented. Mrs. Duperrault seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0 with Mr. Rivera and Mr. Fuentes abstained.

Action Items:

a. Discussion and Possible Approval of the quote for the gym floors

Mr. Fuentez motioned to approve the quote for the gym floors and bleachers. Mr. Billings seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0. The board requested the coaching staff meet to finalize the design. The board approved change orders for the project up to \$50,000 for Mrs. Lowrance to approve.

b. Discussion and Possible Approval of digital signage.

No action was taken

c. Consideration and possible action to adopt the prevailing wage rates published by the United States Department of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. Section 276a et seq.), and its subsequent amendments, excluding fringe benefits, in connection with the District's 2025 Construction Projects.

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The board took a break from 8:30-8:37 p.m.

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 8:37 p.m.

- a. Personnel Issues
 - i. Retirements/Resignations/Recommendations/New Hires (Texas Government Code 551.074 – Personnel)
 - ii. Letters of Reasonable Assurance
 - iii. School Housing Tenant Schedule
 - iv. Teacher / Staff Bonuses

The board reentered open meeting at 9:55 p.m.

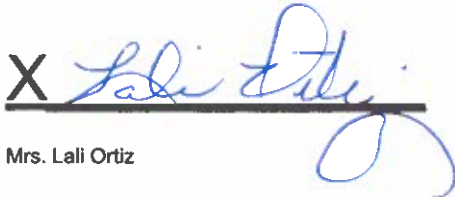
Mrs. Duperrault motioned to approve hiring of Mrs. Alejandra Sandleback for the 25-26 school year at a step 0 teacher salary, and the resignations of Mrs. Erica Sanchez and Mr. Justin Hilliard effective at the end of their 25-26 contract. Mr. Billings seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Sanchez motioned to approve letters of reasonable assurance as presented. Mr. Rivera seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Adjournment:

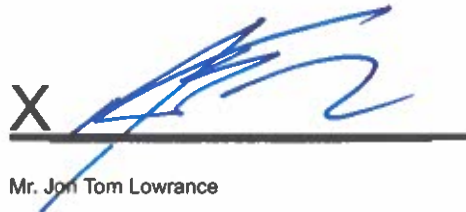
Mr. Fuentes motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Sanchez seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

The meeting was adjourned by Mrs. Ortiz at 9:55 P.M.

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Mrs. Lali Ortiz

President

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Mr. Jon Tom Lowrance

Secretary