BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Terrell County Independent School District
September 24, 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, September 24, 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 (7:00 p.m.)

2. A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 7:02 by school board vice-president, Fernando Sanchez. The pledges were said and a moment of silence was held.

   Members present were: Fernando Sanchez, Jon Tom Lowrance, Wes Billings, Enrique Rivera, Marco Fuentez and Angela Duperrault.

   Members absent were: Lali Ortiz

   Administration in attendance were: Staff in attendance were: Tanna Lowrance,Superintendent, Blain Chriesman, Chief Financial Officer, David Carrasci, Technology Director / CTE,Virginia Garza, Counselor / CTE

   Students and Community Members in attendance were: Colby Blaylock, Jaylie Ramirez, Trevin Houston and Austin McDonald.

   Public Forum

   a. **PUBLIC COMMENTS/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION** [TCISD Policy **BED (LOCAL)**].
   Senior, Trevin Houston, addressed the board requesting their approval under action items of this Year's senior trip.

Mr. Sanchez read the resignation letter from Mrs. Lali Ortiz and the thank you card from the family of Suzie Pendleton for the usage of the auditorium for her funeral service.

3. **District Reports**
   a. **Yearbook Report, Gina Roberts**
   The 20245-2026 yearbooks have arrived. It is the largest book to date. It sold for $35.00 per book. The cost was kept low due to the large amount of yearbook ads sold. A QR Code is included to watch the senior slideshow. There are a few extra in the office for sale. Next week Mrs. Roberts will divide up the remaining 2021 yearbook and this year's yearbook to the yearbook staff.
   b. **Technology Director's Report: D.Carrasco**
   Mr. Carrasco reported all technology is looking good. He purchased 8 more dual credit laptops, he needs to purchase managing software for the ipads to better manage and update them, He is repairing the kitchen keyless door entry and working to repair a sensor issue on one interactive panel.
   c. **Counselor's Report: V. Garza**
   Mrs. Garza reported we are still waiting on the final course plan for TCISD. SB12 forms have gone out to students. Juniors and Seniors went to Fort Stockton for a CCMR fair. All high school students went to Alpine for a career fair. Mrs. Shackelford was on campus to help seniors complete resumes to take to the job fair. Medical Pathway students will attend the Red Day medical career day sponsored by Texas Tech in Midland. The ACT, ASVAB and PSAT are scheduled.

The Tony Gonzalez internship deadline is approaching at the end of the week. Several students are taking advantage of a $200 incentive for a food setting program through the Texas Department of Ag.
The culture club has agreed to send one sophomore to HOBY this summer. Free College Application week is coming up. Transcripts for seniors will be sent to colleges beginning on October 1, 2025.

d. **Athletic Director Report: Jerry Garza**
Mrs. Lowrance reported for Coach Garza. The junior high girls placed 4th at Marfa and the high school girls placed 2nd. The varsity girls placed second at the Alpine meet. Varsity football is week to week depending on injuries. We will play 5 on 5 for junior high and high school Friday in Marfa.

e. **Financial Report: B.Chriesman** reported on the List of Bills Financials and Tax Report and Fund Balance Projections

f. **Superintendent/Principal Reports: T.Lowrance**
Our enrollment is 109. We have started our 3 year Special Education Audit and will have our 3 year safety audit in November with Region 18. Homecoming, shot clinic and see you at the pole went well. Report cards for the first six weeks went out along with A-F letters, gun storage letters, and fentanyl awareness letters. Eduphoria is ready for TIA benchmarking. Teacherworkday on Monday went well. We had ARD meetings, a safety meeting, time management meeting, A-F ratings and understanding the score meeting, and CIP/DIP planning meeting. We will have CPR / first aide and AED training on our next workday. We will schedule board training for the 89th legislative updates for our October meeting.

4. **Consent Agenda :**
The motion was made by Mrs. Duperrault and seconded by Mr. Rivera to approve the minutes of the Called Board Meeting of August 14, 2025, the public Hearing of August 26, 2025 and the Regular Board Meeting of August 26, 2025.
The motion passed 5:0 with 1 abstaining.

Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Billings - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Rivera - for
Mr. Fuentez - abstained

Action Items:

a. **Mr. Lowrance motioned and Mr. Rivera seconded to approve the school board resignation of Mrs. Lali Ortiz.**
The motion passed 6:0.
Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Billings - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Rivera - for
Mr. Fuentez - for

b. **Mr. Lowrance motioned and Mr. Fuentez seconded to approve the Capital Project Budget for the 2025-2026.**
The motion passed 6-0.

Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Billings - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Rivera - for
Mr. Fuentez - for

c. **Mr. Billings motioned and Mr. Rivera seconded to approve Mrs. Lowrance and Mr. Burgess as the 2025-2026 TCISD T-Tess appraisers.**
The motion passed 6-0.

Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Billings - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Rivera - for
Mr. Fuentez - for

d. **Mr. Rivera motioned and Mr. Billings seconded to approve the Resolution stating annual review of Investment Policies and Strategies and Designation of Mr. Chriesman as the Investment Officer for the District.**
The motion passed 6-0.

Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Billings - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Rivera - for
Mr. Fuentez - for

e. **Mr. Fuentez motioned and Mrs. Dupperault seconded to approve the resolution approving Independent Sources for Investment Officer Training.**
The motion passed 6-0.

Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Billings - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Rivera - for
Mr. Fuentez - for

f. **Mrs. Duperrault motioned and Mr. Billings seconded the motion to approve the 2026 Senior Trip with discussed changes to the Senior Trip Guidelines.**
The motion passed 6-0.

Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Billings - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Rivera - for
Mr. Fuentez - for

g. **Mr. Lowrance motioned and Mr. Rivera seconded to approve the 2025-2026 TCISD EOP Basic Plan as presented.**
The motion passed 6-0.

Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Billings - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Rivera - for
Mr. Fuentez - for

h. **Mr. Billings motioned and Mrs. Duperrault seconded to approve the 2025-2026 TCISD EOP Basic Plan Active Treat for Schools Annex.**
The motion passed 6-0.

Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Billings - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Rivera - for
Mr. Fuentez - for

i. **Mr. Fuentez motioned and Mr. Billings seconded to approve the 2025-2026 TCISD CIP/ DIP as presented.**
The motion passed 6-0.

The motion passed 6-0.
Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Billings - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Rivera - for
Mr. Fuentez - for

The board took a break from 8:28-8:33.

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 8:33 p.m.

i. Personnel
ii. School Board Vacancy

The board reentered open meeting at 9:10.

Mr. Fuentez motioned and Mr. Billings seconded the motion to nominate Mr. Sanchez as school board president.
The motion passed 6-0.

Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Billings - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Rivera - for
Mr. Fuentez - for

Mr. Fuentez motioned and Mrs. Duperrault seconded the motion to nominate Mr. Rivera as school board vice president.
The motion passed 6-0.

Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Billings - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Rivera - for
Mr. Fuentez - for

Adjournment

Mr. Fuentez made the motion to adjourn and Mr. Rivera seconded the motion.
The motion passed 6-0.
Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Billings - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Rivera - for
Mr. Fuentez - for

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Sanchez at 9:13 P.M.

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Mr. Fernando Sanchez

President

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Mr. Joe Tom Lowrance

Secretary