

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Little Elm ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Little Elm ISD will be held February 16, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Little Elm ISD Administration Building.

PRESENT: President Mary Watkins, Secretary Ken Beber, Trustee Jason Olson, Trustee David Montemayor, Trustee Jeff Burtin, and Superintendent Michael Lamb.

ABSENT: Vice President DeLeon English and Trustee Alejandro Flores.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice.

Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

1. Call to Order Open Session in the Board Room at Little Elm ISD Administration Building on 400 Lobo Lane, Little Elm, Texas 75068. President Mary Watkins 6:02 pm

2. Introduction and Roll Call

Ms. Sonia S. Flores took roll call.

3. Citizen Input

Audience participation shall be permitted at regular Board meetings and shall be limited to the public comment portion designated for that purpose

There was no citizen input.

4. The Board recessed into Closed Meeting at 6:03 pm in the Board Support Conference Room as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act Code Subchapter 551.072, 551.083 & 551.074. The Board and Superintendent discussed:

A. Chavez and Hackberry Update - 551.074

B. Superintendent of the Year Award - 551-074

C. Prestwick Elementary Mediation - 551.074

D. Oak Point Land - 551.072

E. Training and Camera Update - 551.074

F. Door Audit Corrective Action at Jerry Walker Middle School - 551.083

G. Door Audit Corrective Action at Lowell Strike Middle School - 551.083

The Board reconvened at 7:04 pm.

5. Pledge of Allegiance

6. The Board led those in attendance to The Pledges of The United States Flag and The Texas Flag.

7. Invocation

There was no invocation

8. Superintendent Spotlight

A. LEaders of the Pack

Ms. Asheley Brown presented this award to Ms. Dawn Caffey from the Transportation Department and to Ms. Samantha Hopkins from the Alternative Education Campus.

B. LEHS Percussion Ensemble

Presenter: Frank Felice

This item will be presented at a later meeting.

9. Reports of the Superintendent

10. Action Items

A. Discuss and consider approval of the Superintendent of the Year Nomination

Ms. Mary Watkins presented this item to the Board.

Secretary Ken Beber made the first motion to approve this item as discussed in closed session. Trustee Jason Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

Board Member	Made Motion	2nd Motion	Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Mary Watkins			x		
DeLeon English					
Ken Beber	x		x		
Jason Olson		x	x		
David Montemayor			x		
Jeff Burton			x		
Alejandro Flores					

B. Discuss and consider approval of 2026-2027 Administrator Contracts / Employment Agreements

Ms. Asheley Brown briefed the Board about this item.

Trustee David Montemayor made the first motion to approve this item as discussed in closed session. Trustee Jeff Burton seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

Board Member	Made Motion	2nd Motion	Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Mary Watkins			x		
DeLeon English					
Ken Beber			x		
Jason Olson			x		
David Montemayor	x		x		
Jeff Burton		x	x		
Alejandro Flores					

C. Discuss and consider approval of 2026-2027 LASO Cycle 4 Lift Bluebonnet Learning (MATH) Grant Approval

Dr. Penny Tramel briefed the Board about this item.

Little Elm ISD was notified on February 3, 2026 we have been selected to receive LIFT grant funds in the amount of \$788,000 for the 2026-2027 school year. We are seeking Board approval to accept these funds to support our implementation of Bluebonnet Math K- Algebra II. This grant will assist us in the costs associated with materials and supplies, observations, and instructional feedback on the implementation of the product with fidelity. It also includes coaching for principals leading the internalization process with teachers and coaching for principals in how they give feedback to teachers on their practice with Bluebonnet Math. This grant will assist in offsetting the cost of training for teachers and principals.

Trustee Jason Olson made the first motion to approve this item as submitted. Trustee David Montemayor seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

Board Member	Made Motion	2nd Motion	Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Mary Watkins			x		
DeLeon English					
Ken Beber			x		
Jason Olson	x		x		
David Montemayor		x	x		
Jeff Burton			x		
Alejandro Flores					

D. Discuss and consider approval of the Resolution Regarding a Period of Prayer and Reading of Religious Text During the School Day (Senate Bill 11).

Mr. Donald Bartlett approached the Board about this item. Little Elm ISD may adopt a policy requiring every campus of the district to provide students with an opportunity to participate in a period of prayer, reading the bible or any other religious text on each school day unless outlined by policy.

Trustee Jason Olson made the first motion to decline to adopt a resolution regarding a period of prayer and reading of religious text during the school day pursuant to senate Bill 11. Trustee Jeff Burton. The motion passed to decline the adoption of the resolution (5-0).

Board Member	Made Motion	2nd Motion	Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Mary Watkins			x		
DeLeon English					
Ken Beber			x		
Jason Olson	x		x		
David Montemayor			x		
Jeff Burton		x	x		
Alejandro Flores					

11. Consent Agenda

A. Discuss and consider approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes - 1/21/2026

B. Discuss and consider approval of Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services with Denton County

Secretary Ken Beber made the first motion to pull this item from the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Jeff Burton seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

Board Member	Made Motion	2nd Motion	Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Mary Watkins			x		
DeLeon English					
Ken Beber	x		x		
Jason Olson			x		
David Montemayor			x		
Jeff Burton		x	x		
Alejandro Flores					

- C. Discuss and consider approval of SB13 Acquisition of Library Books
- D. Discuss and consider approval of Little Elm ISD Expenditures over \$100,000 Summary Report
- E. Discuss and consider approval of Financial Reports - December 2025
- F. Discuss and consider approval of Little Elm ISD Interlocal Summary Report
- G. Discuss and consider approval of Annual Investment Report and Policies
- Discuss and consider approval of Request for Proposal #2024-005 Food Catering Services

Trustee David Montemayor made the first motion to approve Consent Agenda with the exception of Item B. Secretary Ken Beber seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

Board Member	Made Motion	2nd Motion	Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Mary Watkins			x		
DeLeon English					
Ken Beber		x	x		
Jason Olson			x		
David Montemayor	x		x		
Jeff Burton			x		
Alejandro Flores					

12. Board President Comments

Ms. Mary Watkins congratulated wrestling for getting 3rd place in the state competition.

13. Board Comments

Secretary Ken Beber mentioned how exciting it is to be in LEISD and being reelected.

Trustee Jeff Burton mentioned how honored he feels to represent LEISD.

Trustee David Montemayor thanked everyone for being present and mentioned how wrestling is doing amazing as well as basketball, soccer and golf.

Trustee Jason Olson congratulated the students who participated in the Amazing Shake.

14. Superintendent Comments

Mr. Michael Lamb spoke about the great things going on and thanked the Board for their nomination. Mr. Lamb mentioned he feels honored, humble and excited.

15. Adjournment

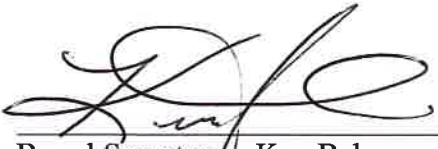
Trustee Jason Olson made the first motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee David Montemayor seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

The meeting adjourned at 7:29 pm.

Board Member	Made Motion	2nd Motion	Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Mary Watkins			x		
DeLeon English					
Ken Beber			x		
Jason Olson	x		x		
David Montemayor		x	x		
Jeff Burton			x		
Alejandro Flores					

The minutes were approved on March 23, 2026.


Board President – Mary Watkins


Board Secretary – Ken Beber