

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

BOARD OF TRUSTEES Terrell County Independent School District April 15, 2026

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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, April 15, 2026** beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Sanderson High School Conference Room at Sanderson High School 302 N. Second Street, Sanderson, Texas.

A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 7:00 by school board president, Fernando Sanchez. The pledges were said and a moment of silence was held.

Members present were: Fernando Sanchez, Jon Tom Lowrance, Angela Duperrault, Marco Fuentez

Members absent were: Wes Billings, Enrique Rivera, Chase McCrory

Administration in attendance were:

Tanna Lowrance, Superintendent; Blain Chriesman, CFO; David Carrasco, Technology Director / CTE; Jerry Garza, Athletic Director; Virginia Garza, District Counselor / CTE

Staff in attendance were: none

Students and Community Members and Guests in attendance were:
none

PUBLIC COMMENTS/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION [TCISD Policy BED (LOCAL)]

None

STUDENT RECOGNITIONS: moved to May due to District UIL

District Reports

a. **Yearbook Report: G.Roberts**

Mrs. Roberts reported she is continuing to work on this year's yearbook. Ad orders are being accepted until May 14th. The money from ads is used to offset the cost of yearbooks for students. Yearbook order for the 2026 book will be sent out soon.

b. **Technology Director Report: D.Carrasco**

Mr. Carrasco reported the door at the HS field house facing the track needs repairs. DH Pace and VGI are working to identify and fix the problem. We

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received the bill from Lonestar Communications for the bell system repairs for \$1500 including the trip charge and data migration. WCIG web content deadline for compliance (disability act requirements) is in progress. Has uploaded requested updates to the cafeteria portion of the webpage as requested by Mrs. Rubio. Updates to all chromebooks and laptops were completed before STAAR testing began and there have been no issues with testing.

c. Counselor Report: V.Garza

Mrs. Garza reported STAAR testing has began and will continue through April. Teachers and staff are working hard as a team to cover classes on testing days. May 5th Midland College will be on campus for enrollment help. Sul Ross will host a college and career day in May. TSI testing will be held in May. Working with Mrs. Lowrance to update the dual credit handbook with admission requirements. 19 out of 22 HS students who competed at the district level in UIL qualified for Regionals.

d. Athletic Director Report: J.Garza

Coach Garza reported girls golf competed at Regionals in Baird. Layla placed 10th and was two spots out from going to state. Boys regional qualifiers, Hunter and Trevin, will played day one of regionals and will play day 2 on Thursday. Junior high track ended with a third place team finish in girls and boys. HS district track was held and the girls placed 3rd and the boys 4th. Several qualified for the area track meet. District tennis was a success with both boys and girls earning team runnerup. 4 students qualified for regional tennis, Emily, Austin, William and Asa. Regionals will be played in San Angelo. We will host a JH tennis tournament on April 25th and district will be in Buena Vista.

Summer Open gym will be from 10:00-12:00 and two evenings a week for students who have summer employment. The weightroom will be open several days a week from 6:00-8:00 p.m. The coaches have begun discussing coaching school. Coach Garza reported moving forward he has set higher expectations for professionalism and ethical behavior. He also stated an improvement in communication needs to improve among the coaching staff.

e. Financial Report: B.Chriesman reported on the List of Bills and budget amendments.

f. Superintendent/Principal / Maintenance Reports: T.Lowrance

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Mrs. Lowrance reported the coachliner went to Odessa to have an electrical issue addressed and new tires were installed on the new mini-bus. Maintenance is working on lights in the auditorium and getting ready for the JH tennis tournament. We have had several HS students advance past district in golf, tennis and track. We are working on goodie bags to send them off to compete. The expansion modification application for TIA was completed and submitted today. Midland College called last week asking for me to represent our district's plan for dual credit achievement and how we worked hand in hand with Midland College to make a plan that works four small, rural school districts. I will present at the National Conference in October in Cleveland, Ohio. The parking lot project is ongoing. We need to analyze our 26-27 school calendar and how we will address Friday lunch the first semester. I am currently working on the Safety Data Collection, Building Inventory List Survey and Seatbelt survey for the district.

Consent Agenda and Budget Amendments:

The motion was made by Ms. Duperrault and seconded by Mr. Lowrance to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 25, 2026 and the budget amendments as presented.

The motion passed 4:0

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

Action Items:

- a. Discussion and possible approval of the Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials 2026-2027.**

Moved to May due to reading adoption.

The board took a break from 7:29-7:32

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 7:32 p.m.

- a. Personnel Issues**
- b. Letters of Reasonable Assurance**

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The board reentered open meeting at 7:51 p.m.

Mr. Fuentes motioned and Mrs. Duperrault seconded the motion to offer letters of reasonable assurance to current at-will staff members for the 2026-2027 school year. The motion passed 4-0.

Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Fuentes-for

Adjournment: Mr. Fuentes motioned and Mrs. Duperrault seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 4-0.

Mrs. Duperrault - for
Mr. Sanchez - for
Mr. Lowrance - for
Mr. Fuentes - for

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Sanchez at 7:52 P.M.

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Mr. Fernando Sanchez
President

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Mr. Jon Tom Lowrance
Secretary