HAMLIN COLLEGIATE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
May 12, 2026

The Hamlin Collegiate Independent School District Board of Education met in a regular session in the Board Room at the Hamlin Collegiate ISD Piper Center at 5:00 p.m. on May 12, 2026.

Kendon Gruben called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Dr. Chad White led the invocation, and Kendon Gruben led the Pledge of Allegiance. Kendon stated to let the record show that there was a quorum present with the following board members in attendance;

Board Members	Present	Absent
Kendon Gruben	x	
Carrie Moore	x	
Jennifer Prater		x
Derek Moore	x	
Dr. Chad White	x	
Sherman Bates	x	
Sheila Darnell	x	

Also present: Dr. Chanda Bloch-Superintendent, Lisa Gonzales, Chris Kimball, Michelle Jones, Jacob Cox, Shaye Murphy, and Cristy Castanares.

This year we had 3 seats up for the May 2, 2026 School Board Election. Mark Hernandez, Carrie Moore, Sheila Darnell, and Derek Moore all ran for the 3 seats. After a complete canvassing of the votes prior to the May 12, 2026 board meeting the final results as follows:
Sheila Darnell 87 votes, Mark Hernandez 82 votes, Carrie Moore 113 votes, and Derek Moore 136 votes. The incumbents were all re-elected. The Board members took the Oath of Office and were sworn in. The Board and staff congratulated them as they took their seat on the board.
Dr. Chanda Bloch called for the dissolving of the board and called for nominations for the Board officers.
Dr. Bloch called for nominations for Board President.
Derek Moore nominated Kendon Gruben as president and seconded by Carrie Moore with members voting for Kendon Gruben as president with the vote of 6-0.

Board Members	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Kendon Gruben	x		
Carrie Moore	x		
Jennifer Prater			
Derek Moore	x		
Dr. Chad White	x		
Sherman Bates	x		
Sheila Darnell	x		

Kendon Gruben accepted and asked for nominations for the Vice President.

Derek Moore nominated Carrie Moore, and Sheila Darnell seconded. 6-0 for Carrie Moore as Vice President.

Board Members	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Kendon Gruben	x		
Carrie Moore	x		
Jennifer Prater			
Derek Moore	x		
Dr. Chad White	x		
Sherman Bates	x		
Sheila Darnell	x		

Kendon Gruben asked for nominations for Board Secretary.
Carrie Moore nominated Sheila Darnell and Dr. Chad White seconded. 6-0 for Sheila Darnell as Board Secretary.

Board Members	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Kendon Gruben	x		
Carrie Moore	x		
Jennifer Prater			
Derek Moore	x		
Dr. Chad White	x		
Sherman Bates	x		
Sheila Darnell	x		

No members of the community signed up to speak in Open Forum

CONSENT AGENDA

Kendon Gruben moved to the next item on the agenda, to approve the Consent Agenda, and asked if there were any corrections to the Board minutes for the board meetings for April 21, 2026.
Carrie Moore made the motion to approve the **Consent Agenda** as presented. Sheila Darnell seconded and the motion passed. (6-0 voting for the motion.)

Board Members	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Kendon Gruben	x		
Carrie Moore	x		
Jennifer Prater			
Derek Moore	x		
Dr. Chad White	x		
Sherman Bates	x		
Sheila Darnell	x		

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:

Dr. Bloch reviewed the Financial Reports. Enrollment for the week ending May 8, 202 was 380**.**
Calendar of events: Graduation May 22, 2026
Board Training/ Planning Immediately after board meeting
Next board meeting is scheduled for June 2, 2026, @ 5:30 pm.
Board convened into Closed session at 5:10 pm

Board reconvened at 6:01 No action taken.
There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:05pm, by Kendon Gruben.

Minutes approved June 2, 2026