

IOLA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

May 18, 2026

Monday: 6:30 pm

IOLA ISD ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA

The Board of Trustees of the Iola Independent School District met in regular session on May 18, 2026 in the Elementary Cafeteria, Iola, Texas.

Members Present: Alec Pointer, Sierra Betancourt, Tammy Harvey, Mark Cunningham, Susan Patrick, Jody Evans and Brian Van Dyck

1. Call to order: 6:30 pm
2. Invocation: Sierra Betancourt
3. Recognition of visitors: Public Forum
4. Consideration of Board Officers

A motion was made by Sierra Betancourt to elect Alec Pointer as President of Iola ISD School Board. Second: Tammy Harvey Vote carried 7-0

A motion was made by Alec Pointer to elect Sierra Betancourt as Vice President of the Iola ISD School Board. Second: Jody Evans Vote carried 7-0

A motion was made by Alec Pointer to elect Tammy Harvey as Secretary of the Iola ISD School Board. Second: Sierra Betancourt. Vote carried 7-0
5. Consideration of consent agenda
 - a. minutes of previous meetings
 - b. monthly disbursements
 - c. student membership
 - d. SRO report
 - e. tax report
 - f. financial report

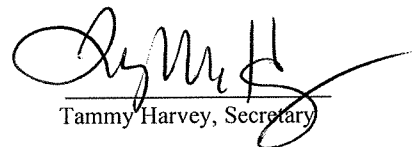
A motion was made by Tammy Harvey to approve the consent agenda.
Second: Jody Evans Vote carried 7-0
6. Campus and administrative report
 - a. elementary principal report: Mrs. Guilbeau
 - b. high school principal report: Mrs. Fowler
 - c. superintendent report: Mrs. Dyer
7. Consideration of TEKS Certification and Allotment Survey Ratification

A motion was made by Tammy Harvey to approve the TEKS Certification and Allotment Survey Ratification. Second: Sierra Betancourt Vote carried 7-0
8. Consideration of Deliberation and possible action to approve contract with architect for the Iola ISD 2026 Bond Projects. No action taken
9. Consideration of Deliberation and possible action to approve contract with construction manager agent for the Iola 2026 Bond Projects. No action taken
10. Consideration of intruder detection audit findings

The finding has been corrected

11. Consideration of purchasing a modular building
A motion was made by Alec Pointer to approve the purchase of a modular building for the purchase price for the dry classroom \$115,472. Second: Tammy Harvey Vote carried 7-0
12. Consideration of moving the regular June 15, 2026 board meeting to June 18, 2026
A motion was made by Alec Pointer to approve moving the regular June 15, 2026 board meeting to June 16, 2026. Second: Brian Van Dyck Vote carried 7-0
13. Personnel: a. employment: Courtney Bessinger
b. resignation: Amy Wynn- A motion was made by Jody Evans to approve the employment of Courtney Bessinger and accept Amy Wynn resignation. Second: Susan Patrick Vote 7-0
14. Closed Session: Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Attorney Consultation), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.082 (Student Discipline Matters), 551.072 (Purchase of Real Property) 551.076 (Student Safety) 551.087 (Deliberations regarding Economic Development Negotiations)
The Board of Trustee met in Closed session at 7:04 pm under TGCS 551.087, 550. 719, 551.071 and returned to regular meeting at 9:06pm
 - ***Deliberation regarding Economic Development, and closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.087 to discuss commercial and financial information related to the construction of a potential new manufacturing facility that the Board may seek to have locate in the District and possible offer of financial incentives related to an application for an agreement for Limitation on Taxable Values on School District M&O Taxes under the Jobs, Energy, Technology and Innovation Act, and possible consultation with School's Attorney in closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code sections 551.071 and 551.129 to receive legal advice regarding same.***
15. Adjourn: A motion was made by Sierra Betancourt to adjourn. Second: Tammy Harvey
Vote carried 7-0


Alec Pointer, President


Tammy Harvey, Secretary