

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 July 20, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Little Elm ISD Administration Building.

PRESENT: President Mary Watkins, Vice President Jason Olson, Secretary Ken Beber, Trustee David Montemayor, Trustee Eric Wilson, Trustee Jeff Burton, Trustee DeLeon English, and Superintendent Michael Lamb.

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 called the meeting to order at 6:00 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

- Idalia Amaya – Hilltown
- Mirsa Perez – Second Bus Stop for Hilltown
- Saira Ramirez – Second Bus Stop request in Cottonwood – Hilltown
- Alexandra Gonzales – Hilltown Community / Comunidad Hilltown (Not present)

4. The Board recessed into Closed Meeting at 6:11 pm in the Board Support Conference Room as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act Code Subchapter 551.072 & 551.074. The Board and Superintendent discussed:

A. Personnel

B. Land

The Board reconvened at 7:01 pm.

5. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board led those present to The Pledges of The United States Flag and The Texas Flag.

6. Invocation

There was no invocation.

7. Superintendent Spotlight

A. Introduction of New Principal of Glover Elementary School

Ms. Asheley Brown presented Ms. Marnie Richardson as the new Principal of Glover Elementary School.

B. Introduction of New Principal of Hackberry Elementary School

Ms. Asheley Brown presented Dr. Cyndy Mika as the new Principal of Hackberry Elementary School.

C. Introduction of New Athletic Director

Ms. Asheley Brown presented Mr. Matt Harbin as the new Athletic Director.

D. Introduction of New Director of Career & Technical Education and Virtual Learning

Ms. Asheley Brown presented Mr. Derick Conley as the new Director of Career & Technical Education and Virtual Learning.

8. Action Items

A. Discuss and consider approval of Staff Development Waiver for 2026-2027 School Year

Dr. Penny Tramel briefed the Board about this item. This is in pursuant to Texas Education Code 25.081 this waiver allows the district to train staff on various educational strategies designed to improve student performance.

Trustee Jeff Burton made the first motion to approve this item as submitted. Trustee DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

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

B. Discuss and consider approval of 2026-2027 New Virtual Course Requests

Dr. Penny Tramel approached the Board about this item. The District Education Improvement Council (DEIC) approved the New Courses at the July 1, 2026 DEIC meeting.

Secretary Ken Beber made the first motion to approve this item as submitted. Vice President Jason Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

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

C. Discuss and consider approval of Resolution Regarding Sale of Easements

Mr. Jesse Wyse briefed the board about this item. Trustee Eric Wilson read the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Little Elm Independent School District (the “District”) received an offer dated June 24, 2026, from Atmos Energy Corporation (“Atmos”) to purchase the following easement property (collectively, the “Easements”) in connection with the Line D9-6 Pig Trap Project: 0.115

acre, more or less, Aboveground Facilities easement; 0.075 acre, more or less, temporary workspace easement, and 0.015 acre, more or less, temporary workspace easement, out of the A. Vestal Survey, Abstract No. A-1312, Denton County, Texas, adjacent to E. Eldorado Parkway near Lobo Stadium, as more fully described in the Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein; **WHEREAS**, the District desires to sell the Easements to Atmos; therefore

Be it Resolved,

1. That the findings and recitals in the preamble of this Resolution are hereby found to be true and correct and are hereby approved and adopted.
 2. That the Board of Trustees authorizes the Superintendent to negotiate the compensation and easement language with Atmos regarding the possible sale of the Easements;
 3. That, contingent on the Superintendent's approval of compensation and easement language, the Board of Trustees agrees to sell and convey the Easements to Atmos.
 4. That the Board of Trustees authorizes the Superintendent to execute the easement instruments, and any other documents necessary to effect the conveyance of the Easements.
 5. That it is hereby found, determined and declared that sufficient written notice of the date, time, place and subject of the meeting of the Board of Trustees at which this Resolution was adopted was posted at a place convenient and readily accessible at all times to the general public for the time required by law preceding this meeting, as required by chapter 551, Texas Government Code, and that this meeting has been open to the public as required by law at all times during which this Resolution and the subject matter thereof has been discussed, considered and formally acted upon. The Board of Trustees further ratifies, approves and confirms such written notice and posting thereof
- Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve this item as submitted. Trustee David Montemayor seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

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

9. Consent Agenda

- A. Discuss and consider approval of Public Hearing Meeting Minutes - 6/22/2026
- B. Discuss and consider approval of Regular Meeting Minutes - 6/22/2026
- C. Discuss and consider approval of Financial Reports - May 2026
- D. Discuss and consider approval of Little Elm ISD Expenditures over \$100,000 Summary Report

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

President Jason Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0). This item was pulled to update by adding another expenditure to the report. The updated document will be attached to the minutes.

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

Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve the updated document as presented. Secretary Ken Beber seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

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

E. Discuss and consider approval of Transportation for Students in Hazardous Traffic Areas

Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of item D. Trustee David Montemayor seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

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

The Board went back into closed session at 7:31 pm.

The Board reconvened at 8:42 pm.

10. Board President Comments

Ms. Mary Watkins wished Mr. Jeff Burton a Happy Birthday.

11. Board Comments

Mr. Jeff Burton reminded those present of the Back to School Bash.

12. Superintendent Comments

Mr. Michael Lamb thanked the Board for their hard work.

13. Adjournment

Trustee Eric Wilson made the first motion to adjourn the meeting. Vice President Jason Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 pm.

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

The minutes were approved on August 17, 2026.


Mary Watkins – Board President


Ken Beber – Board Secretary

Little Elm ISD Expenditures Over \$100,000 Summary Report for Approval

Board Meeting Date: July 20, 2026

Ref #	Vendor Name	Department	Status (New, Renewal, Vendor Change)	Prior Year Contract Amount	Change/Renewal Amount	Change/Purchase Amount	Effective Date	Expiration Date	Description	Administrator
1	Beyond Therapy	Special Populations	Renewal	\$108,941	\$110,413	\$1,472	8/3/2026	5/31/2027	Contract services for Therapists, including speech language pathologists.	Kristi Roberts
2	New Direction Solutions dba ProCare Therapy	Special Populations	Renewal	\$85,000	\$297,000	\$212,000	7/22/2026	6/20/2027	ProCare Therapy will provide additional supplemental staffing on an as needed basis for our Special Populations Department including, but not limited to, LSP (Licensed Specialist in School Psychology), Assessment, Diagnostician, and Speech-Language Pathologist. The contract is not to exceed \$297,000 in services.	Kristi Roberts