

**Castleberry Independent School District
Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
July 20, 2026
6:05 p.m.**

The Board of Education met in Regular Session on Monday, July 20, 2026. Members present were Dewey Taliaferro, Mary Lou Martinez, Cathy Gatica, Tracy Gallman, Linda Aguillón, Ariela Martinez, and Janice Carrell. Board President Dewey Taliaferro called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. at the Castleberry Administration Building, 5228 Ohio Garden Rd., Fort Worth, TX 76114, by stating the following:

“I call this meeting of the Castleberry Independent School District to order. Let the record show that a quorum of Board Members is present, that this meeting has been duly called, and that notice of this meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.”

Board President Dewey Taliaferro gave the invocation.

The Pledges of Allegiance to the American and Texas Flags were led by Tracy Gallman, Board Member.

There were no questions regarding the Consent Agenda.

Elena Fernandez, with Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, L.L.P. presented an annual update of the collection of the district’s delinquent property taxes.

Stephanie Martinez, Director of CTE, and Manny Saldivar, College-Career Readiness Advisor, presented a summative review of the HB3 goals for 2025-2026 College, Career, and Military Readiness. Mrs. Martinez answered questions from Board members.

Wes Jackson, Director of School Policy and Student Support, provided an overview of the draft of the 2026–2027 Student Code of Conduct and answered questions from Board members.

Ariela Martinez arrived at 6:58 p.m.

Cameron Hollomon, Bond Program Manager, presented an update on the 2024 Castleberry High School Bond Program construction and reviewed the status of the energy savings project. Mr. Hollomon answered questions from Board members.

Board President Dewey Taliaferro called the Board into Closed Session at 7:24 p.m. for the purpose of private consultation with the Board’s attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law and for the purpose of considering appointment, employment, property, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints against a public officer.

The Board came out of Closed Session at 7:51 p.m. and reconvened into Open Session at 7:55 p.m.

Wes Jackson, Director of School Policy and Student Support, presented Board Policy Update 127 and answered questions from Board members.

Board President Dewey Taliaferro presented the Consent Agenda items as follows:

- Consider approval of Board Minutes from June 1, 2026, for a Regular Meeting, June 8, 2026, for a Special Meeting, and June 15, 2026, for a Special Meeting.
- Consider approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with JJAEP for the 2026-2027 school year.
- Consider approval of the Workers' Compensation Insurance Plan 2026-2027.
- Consider approval of the 2026-2027 Student Code of Conduct.

Tracy Gallman made a motion, and Janice Carrell seconded it, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was carried by a vote of 7–0. Voting in favor were Dewey Taliaferro, Mary Lou Martinez, Cathy Gatica, Tracy Gallman, Linda Aguillón, Ariela Martinez, and Janice Carrell. There were no votes opposed.

Board members reviewed Key Dates.

Board members discussed the Lone Star Governance Needs Assessment for the upcoming School Board Workshop.

The next meeting will be on Monday, August 17, 2026, for the Regular Board Meeting.

The Board adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Minutes were prepared by the Executive Assistant and Public Information to the Board of Education, Angela Branch, and reviewed by Board Secretary, Cathy Gatica.

Dewey Taliaferro

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Board President
Castleberry Independent School District

Date: August 17, 2026

Cathy Gatica

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Board Secretary
Castleberry Independent School District

Date: August 17, 2026

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