

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NORTHWEST INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
August 24, 2026
REGULAR MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 P.M. by President Jennifer Murphy in the Northwest ISD Board Room, 2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76177.

CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, and 551.076, the Board convened into Executive Session at 5:05 P.M. in the Northwest ISD Executive Conference Room, 2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76177. Executive session ended at 6:03 P.M.

OPEN SESSION

The regular meeting resumed at 6:31 P.M. in the Northwest ISD Board Room, 2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76177. Dr. Mark Foust gave the invocation followed by the pledge to the American Flag and the pledge to the Texas Flag led by students from Kay Granger Elementary School.

REGULAR MEETING Ms. Murphy, Dr. Rauch, Ms. Copp
MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Dearing, Mr. Schluter, Mr. Sprowls and Ms. Hatfield

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Foust, Dr. Griffin, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Tosie,
 Ms. Cabanski, Ms. Carter, Mr. Pastusek, Ms. Scott and Ms. Stewart.

REPORT AND ACTION ITEMS:

- NO. 8713 APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:** It was moved by Mr. Schluter and seconded by Dr. Rauch to approve the consent agenda as submitted.
- A. 2026-2027 Tarrant County 4-H Adjunct Faculty Request.
 - B. Memorandum of Understanding with Denton County Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (JJAEP).
 - C. Modified Schedule State Assessment Testing Days Waiver.
 - D. Memorandum of Understanding with University of North Texas for Speech Language Pathology.
 - E. Ratification of Electric Easement with CoServ for Central Transportation Project.

- F. Memorandum of Understanding with University of North Texas for Clinical Student Teaching.
- G. Memorandum of Understanding with Salem University for clinical Student Teaching.
- H. Memorandum of Understanding with Abilene Christian University for Speech Language Pathology Practicum.
- I. Declaration of Surplus Property.
- J. Memorandum of Understanding with Texas Woman's University for School Psychology Program.
- K. RFP #026-029-07-001 Fine Arts Miscellaneous Services.
- L. RFP #025-029-11-004 Software Licenses, Online Subscriptions and Software Support.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

NO. 8714 CONSIDER AND ACT ON AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE DEFEASANCE AND/OR REDEMPTION OF CERTAIN OUTSTANDING BONDS OF THE NORTHWEST INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

It was moved by Mr. Schluter and seconded by Ms. Copp to approve the order authorizing the defeasance and/or redemption of certain outstanding bonds of the Northwest Independent School District.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

NO. 8715 RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST ISD LEVYING THE TAX RATE FOR THE NORTHWEST ISD FOR THE TAX YEAR 2026 AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE:

It was moved by Mr. Sprowls and seconded by Ms. Hatfield to approve the proposed maintenance and operations property tax rate of \$0.6428 per \$100 of taxable value

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

NO. 8716 RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST ISD LEVYING THE TAX RATE FOR THE NORTHWEST ISD FOR THE TAX YEAR 2026 AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE:

It was moved by Mr. Sprowls and seconded by Dr. Rauch to approve a proposed tax rate to pay debt service of \$0.4210 per \$100 of taxable value. This rate exceeds the district's debt service rate determined under Section 44.004(c)(5)(A)(ii)(b) of the Education Code of \$0.3929 by \$0.2810. This excess revenue collected from the proposed rate will be used for defeasing all or a portion of the district's outstanding bonds.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

NO. 8717 RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST ISD LEVYING THE TAX RATE FOR THE NORTHWEST ISD FOR THE TAX YEAR 2026 AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE:

It was moved by Mr. Sprowls and seconded by Ms. Hatfield to approve a property tax rate of \$1.06380 which is effectively a 6.06% increase in the tax rate.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

NO. 8718 RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST ISD LEVYING THE TAX RATE FOR THE NORTHWEST ISD FOR THE TAX YEAR 2026 AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE: It was moved by Mr. Sprowls and seconded by Ms. Copp to adopt the Resolution Levying the Tax Rate for the Northwest Independent School District for the Tax Year 2026 and Providing for an Effective Date.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

NO. 8719 BOARD POLICY UPDATE 127 AND LOCAL DISTRICT POLICY UPDATE 2026.02: It was moved by Ms. Copp and seconded by Mr. Schluter to approve the board policy update 127 and local district policy update 2026.02 as recommended by the Texas Association of School Boards and the Northwest ISD administration.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

NO. 8720 2026-2027 RESOLUTION ON CERTIFICATIO OF COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN LAWS: It was moved by Dr. Rauch and seconded by Mr. Dearing to approve the resolution regarding Texas Education Code 39.008 Certification of Compliance and authorize the Superintendent to submit the Texas Education Code 39.008 Certification of Compliance to the Texas Education Agency.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Zonda Education provided the demographics report and housing update.

Joel Johnson presented the health, physical education and athletics district effectiveness report.

Jonathan Pastusek presented the June and July financial reports as well as the quarterly investment report.

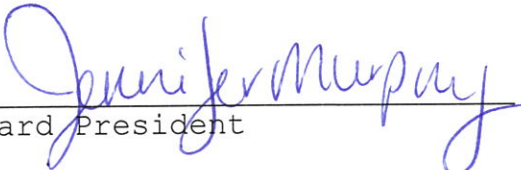
Sarah Stewart presented the facilities, planning and construction report.

Ms. Murphy presented the Board President's report.

Dr. Foust presented the Superintendent's report.

NO. 8721 ADJOURN: It was moved by Dr. Rauch and seconded by Ms. Copp to adjourn at 7:34 P.M.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.


Board President

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Board Secretary