OFFICIAL MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NORTHWEST INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
October 12, 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 6:09 P.M.

SCHOOL FIRST (FINANCIAL INTEGRITY RATING SYSTEM OF TEXAS) PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Pastusek presented the School FIRST public hearing at 6:30 p.m.

Phyllis Grissom commented that Northwest ISD has done a great job in financial transparency and stressed the importance of the appraisal districts supporting school districts.

OPEN SESSION

The regular meeting resumed at 6:44 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 J.C. Thompson Elementary School.

REGULAR MEETING MEMBERS PRESENT:	Ms. Murphy, Ms. Copp Mr. Dearing, Ms. Hatfield, Mr. Sprowls
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Dr. Rauch, Mr. Schluter
OTHERS PRESENT:	Dr. Foust, Dr. Griffin, Ms. Hobbs, Ms. Carter, Mr. Tosie, Ms. Cabanski, Ms. Carter, Mr. Pastusek, Ms. Scott and Ms. Stewart.

RECOGNITIONS:

A. Northwest ISD September Volunteer of the Month: Caitlin Stuckey.

REPORT AND ACTION ITEMS:

NO. 8737 APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA: It was moved by Ms. Copp and seconded by Ms. Hatfield to approve the consent agenda as submitted.

A. Minutes from the September 2026 Board Meetings.
B. Amendments to the 2026-2027 Operating Budget.
C. General Warranty Deed with the City of Rhome for Water Treatment Facility.
D. Interlocal Agreement with University of Texas for Regional Security Operations Services.

Motion carried 5-0. Mr. Schluter and Dr. Rauch absent.

Sarah Stewart presented proposed boundary changes to establish a new boundary for Davis High School for discussion.

NO. 8738 CONSIDERATION OF A TEACHER'S LATE RESIGNATION WITHOUT GOOD CAUSE AND PROPOSED COMPLAINT TO THE STATE BOARD FOR EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION FOR HER ABANDONMENT OF CONTRACT (SP): It was moved by Mr. Sprowls and seconded by Mr. Dearing that the Board finds that good cause did not exist under Section 21.210 (c) of the Texas Education Code for Sara Parrish to resign her contract for the 2026-2027 school year, that the Board did not consent to her resignation, and that the Board authorizes the Superintendent to file a complaint with the State Board for Educator Certification to seek sanctions for her abandonment of contract.
Motion carried 5-0. Mr. Schluter and Dr. Rauch absent.

NO. 8739 2026-2027 CAMPUS IMPROVEMENT PLANS: It was moved by Mr. Sprowls and seconded by Ms. Copp to approve the 2026-2027 Campus Improvement Plans as recommended by the administration.
Motion carried 5-0. Mr. Schluter and Dr. Rauch absent.

NO. 8740 2027-2028 HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC PLANNING GUIDE: It was moved by Ms. Hatfield and seconded by Mr. Sprowls to approve the 2027-2028 High School Academic Planning Guide as recommended by the administration.
Motion carried 5-0. Mr. Schluter and Dr. Rauch absent.

Dr. Griffin presented the 2026-2027 beginning of the year data report.

Kris Kelly presented the dyslexia district effectiveness report.

Dr. Espinosa presented the emergent bilingual program district effectiveness report.

Cara Carter presented the NIDS safeguards and purposeful use of technology update report

Ms. Murphy presented the Board President's report.

Dr. Foust presented the Superintendent's report.

NO. 8741 ADJOURN: It was moved by Ms. Hatfield and seconded by Ms. Copp to adjourn at 7:59 P.M.
Motion carried 5-0. Mr. Schluter and Dr. Rauch absent.

Jennifer Murphy
Board President

Judy Copp
Board Secretary