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Office of the Superintendent

La Vega I.S.D. Board of Trustees Minutes of the Regular Meeting January 20, 2026

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT – Randy Devorsky, Henry C. Jennings, Raymond Koon, Myron Ridge, Brenda Rocha, and Mildred Watkins

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT – Rev. Larry Carpenter

SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT – Dr. Sharon M. Shields, Todd Gooden, Jamie Shaver, Sandra Gibson, Chief Kerry Blakemore, Mrs. Heather Franks, Kristi Rizo, Ginny Ellis, Dr. Shaunte Scott, Jeanne Gravitt and Mr. Chris Ward.

OTHERS PRESENT – LVISD parents and students, Mr. Ed Mazanec, Aaron from Mazamic Construction

CALLED TO ORDER – Board President Myron Ridge established a quorum and brought the board meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

OPENING CEREMONY – Mr. Christian Smith from our La Vega Junior High School George Dixon Campus led the Pledges of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Texas Flag.

APPROVED LISTING OF AGENDA ITEMS – Mr. Randy Devorsky moved to approve the listing of agenda items, and Mrs. Mildred Watkins, seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the items, with all members voting in favor of the motion: Mr. Henry C. Jennings, Mr. Raymond Koon, Mr. Myron Ridge, Mrs. Brenda Rocha, and Mrs. Mildred Watkins.

RECOGNITION ITEMS – The Board Members were recognized in celebration of School Board Recognition Month. Students from La Vega Primary School Phil Bancale Campus sang a song, La Vega Junior High School Goerge Dixan Campus played a game. Board members were also presented with Appreciation Certificates and gifts of appreciation from campuses and departments.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

SPECIAL REPORTS – Board Members received the following special report(s).

Superintendent's Information to the Board - Dr. Sharon M. Shields, Superintendent, informed the board regarding the State Mandated Dates for the month of January; Sam Rayburn Dy, and Holocaust Remembrance Week. Dr. Shields informed the board of upcoming events and Mr. Gooden gave an update on the ECHS constuction.

APPROVED CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Mrs. Mildred Watkins moved to approve the listing of Consent Agenda Items, and Mr. Randy Devorsky seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the items, with all members voting in favor of the motion: Mr. Randy Devorsky, Mr. Henry C. Jennings, Mr. Raymond Koon, Mr. Myron Ridge, Mrs. Brenda Rocha, and Mrs. Mildred Watkins.

- The minutes for the December 16, 2025 regular board meeting
- Monthly Tax Collection Recap and Report
- Budget Amendments
- Quarterly Investment Report
- LVISD Transition Plan to Address Uncertified Educators
- Election Results of the 2026 McLennan County Appraisal District Board of Directos
- Joint General Election on May 2, 2026. Board of Trustee positions up for re-election include Mrs. Brenda Rocha, District 3, Mrs. Mildred Watkins, District 1. Ms. Bentura provided each position their candidate packet to prepare and review.

ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS - The following items were considered, discussed, and/or approved by the Board of Trustees.

Approved the Monthly Budget Analysis Report – Mr. Raymond Koon made the motion, and Mrs. Mildred Watkins seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the Monthly Budget Analysis Report as presented, with all members voting in favor of the motion: Mr. Randy Devorsky, Mr. Henry C. Jennings, Mr. Raymond Koon, Mr. Myron Ridge, Mrs. Brenda Rocha and Mrs. Mildred Watkins.

Consider Bids for the Intermediate Gymnasium - Mr. Raymond Koon made the motion, and Mr. Henry C. Jennings seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the Intermediate Gymnasium Bids as presented by Mazanec Constructions, with all members voting in favor of the motion: Mr. Randy Devorsky, Mr. Henry C. Jennings, Mr. Raymond Koon, Mr. Myron Ridge, Mrs. Brenda Rocha and Mrs. Mildred Watkins.

Consider Stadium Bleacher Change Order - Mr. Raymond Koon made the motion, and Mrs. Mildred Watkins seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the Stadium Bleachers Change Order as presented, with all members voting in favor of the motion: Mr. Randy Devorsky, Mr. Henry C. Jennings, Mr. Raymond Koon, Mr. Myron Ridge, Mrs. Brenda Rocha and Mrs. Mildred Watkins.

Teacher and Professional Employee Contract Recommendations – Mr. Randy Devorsky made the motion, and Mr. Raymond Koon seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the Contract Recommendations of Angela Arp - Registered Nurse/ LVE, and Zenona Clark, 2nd Grade Teacher / LVE with all members voting in favor of the motion: Mr. Randy Devorsky, Mr. Henry C. Jennings, Mr. Raymond Koon, Mr. Myron Ridge, Mrs. Brenda Rocha and Mrs. Mildred Watkins.

CLOSED MEETING – None

ADJOURNMENT - Mrs. Mildred Watkins made the motion, and Mr. Raymond Koon seconded the motion. The board members unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. on January 20, 2026, with all members voting in favor of the motion: Mr. Randy Devorsky, Mr. Henry C. Jennings, Mr. Raymond Koon, Mr. Myron Ridge, Mrs. Brenda Rocha, and Mrs. Mildred Watkins.

President, La Vega I.S.D. Board of Trustees

Date of Board Approval

Secretary, La Vega I.S.D. Board of Trustees