

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Argyle ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Argyle ISD was held Monday, **October 20, 2025**, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Argyle ISD Board Room, 6701 Canyon Falls Dr, Flower Mound, TX 76226.

Board Members Present at Call to Order: Sam Slaton, Board President; Craig Hawkesworth, Vice President; Matt Slaton, Board Secretary; Rich McDowell; Dr. Leona McDade; Josh Westrom. Leigh Ann Artho arrived late - at 5:05pm

Argyle ISD Staff Present: Dr. Courtney Carpenter, Superintendent; Deputy Superintendent; Dr. Chris Daniel, Deputy Superintendent; Dr. Dawn Jordan, Assistant Superintendent; Liz Stewart, CFO; Rick Herrin, CCO; Greg Royar, CTO; Yvolene McGarvey, Administrative Assistant; Shannon Knowles, AHS Principal; Dona Lumsden, AMS Principal; Jonathan DeLay, AHS Assistant Principal; Jeff Koehn, Construction Manager; Brady Bell, Transportation Director; Tommy Ledford, Executive Director of Operations; Katie Haydin, AWE Principal; Kristen Haynes, ASE Principal; Lauren Tullos, JRE Principal; Heather Van Noy, 6GC Principal; Holly Williams, Hilltop Elementary Principal; Becca Lightner, AISD Receptionist; Serena Herdricks, HR Specialist; Tori Kindred, Benefits & Leave Specialist

1. 5:00pm Call to Order - Determine if a Quorum is Present
2. 5:01pm Executive Session as authorized by Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E:
 - A. PERSONNEL MATTERS & PUBLIC OFFICERS: To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, including Board members, or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.074).
 1. Personnel Report
 - B. REAL PROPERTY: To deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the Board's position in negotiations with a third person. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.072)
 - C. LEGAL COUNSEL: To consult with its attorney when the Board seeks advice about pending or contemplated litigation or a settlement offer, or when the attorney will have an ethical duty of confidentiality. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.071).

D. STUDENT & EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE: involving discipline of a public school child; or in which a complaint or charge is brought against an employee of the school district by another employee and the complaint or charge directly results in a need for a hearing. Subsection (a) does not apply if an open hearing is requested in writing by a parent or guardian of the child or by the employee against whom the complaint or charge is brought. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.082)

E. PHYSICAL SAFETY & SECURITY: To deliberate the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices, or to deliberate a security audit. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.076)

1. Armed Staff / Personnel

F. CYBER SECURITY: Security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology; network security information as described by Section 2059.055(b); or the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.089)

G. PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION ABOUT PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT: To deliberate a matter regarding a public school student, if personally identifiable information about the student will necessarily be revealed by the deliberation unless an open meeting about the matter is requested in writing by the student's parent (Tex. Gov't Code 551.0821)

6:01pm Return to Open Session

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags
~ Sixth Grade Center ~

4. Opening Prayer

5. Public Forum/Comments to the Board. For Regular Board Meetings, the Board will hear public comments regarding agenda and non-agenda items. (limit 5 minutes each or 30 minutes total)

6. Recognitions and Presentation

A. AEF Presentation

B. ~ Texas Education Human Resources Recognition ~

- Dr. Chris Daniel, Deputy Superintendent
- Jessica Mayer, Administrative Assistant
- Tory Kindred, Benefits & Leave Specialist
- Serena Hendricks, HR Specialist
- Rebekah Lightner, District Receptionist & Substitute Coordinator

C. ~ National School Principal's Month ~
AISD Principals

- Argyle High School - Shannon Knowles
- Argyle Middle School - Dona Lumsden

- 6th Grade Center - Heather Van Noy
- Hilltop Elementary - Holly Williams
- Argyle South Elementary - Kristen Haynes
- Argyle West Elementary - Katie Haydin
- Jane Ruestmann Elementary - Lauren Tullos

7. Consider and take any action deemed necessary upon discussion in the closed meeting

A. Armed Staff

1. Craig Hawkesworth made a motion that the Board approve closed session items as presented
2. Dr. Leona McDade seconded
3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

8. Consent Items

- A. Minutes
- B. Donations
- C. General Operating Checks and Financial Reports
- D. Finance Reports
- E. Good Cause Resolution
- F. AEF MOU

1. Matt Slaton made a motion that the Board approve consent items as presented
2. Rich McDowell seconded
3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

9. Reports

- A. Construction Report
- B. Superintendent Report

10. Information Only

- A. Bus Purchase
- B. Staff Device Refresh
- C. Technology Vehicles

D. 2026-2027 New Course Proposals

11. Discussion/Action Items

A. Consider and Approve District Improvement Plan – CV

1. Matt Slaton made a motion that the Board approve action item 11-A as presented
2. Leigh Ann Artho seconded
3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

B. Consider and Approve Bus Driver Pay

1. Craig Hawkesworth made a motion that the Board approve action item 11-B as presented
2. Matt Slaton seconded
3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

C. Consider New Position- Middle School Principal

1. Dr. Leona McDade made a motion that the Board approve action item 11-C as presented
2. Matt Slaton seconded
3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

12. President Sam Slaton adjourned the meeting at 7:13pm

Sam Slaton,
Board President

Matt Slaton,
Board Secretary