

Minutes of Special Meeting

The Board of Trustees Terrell ISD

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Terrell ISD was held Thursday, August 27, 2026, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Boardroom, 700 Catherine St., Terrell, Texas 75160.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Establish that a Quorum is Present
The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m. by the Board President, Tonya Derrick and established that a quorum was present. Ann McDonald, Nick Alford, Monty Westbrook, Kenneth Baker, Pam Merin, and Ashley Fivecoat were present.
2. Pledges of Allegiance and Moment of Silence
The pledges of allegiance and a moment of silence were led by Board, Tonya Derrick.
3. Public Comments
There were no public comments.
4. Public Hearing
 - A. Public Hearing to Discuss 2026-2027 Budget and Proposed Tax Rate
Ms. Tonya Tillman presented the public hearing to discuss the 2026-2027 Budget and Proposed Tax Rate. The public hearing started at 5:33 pm and closed at 6:00 p.m.
5. Report Only
 - A. OMA Taxpayer Impact Statement
Ms. Tonya Tillman explained the OMA Taxpayer Impact Statement.
 - B. Submission of the No-New-Revenue (NNR) Tax Rate, Voter Approval Tax Rate (VATR), and Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance and Operations Revenue and Pay Debt Service
Ms. Tonya Tillman presented item B.
6. Items for Discussion and Action
 - A. Consider Approval of 2025-2026 Final Budget Amendment for Terrell ISD
Ms. Tonya Tillman presented item A.
A motion was made by Monty Westbrook and seconded by Nick Alford to approve item A as presented.
Tonya Derrick, Yea; Ann McDonald, Yea; Kenneth Baker, Yea; Nick Alford, Yea; Monty Westbrook, Yea; and Pam Merino, Yea.
The motion was carried unanimously. 7 - Yea, 0 - Nay, 0-Absent.
 - B. Consider Approval of a Resolution to Classify a Portion of Fund Balance per Government Accounting Standards 54" ("GASB 54")
Ms. Tonya Tillman presented item B.
A motion was made by Ann McDonald and seconded by Pam Merino to approve item B as presented.
Tonya Derrick, Yea; Ann McDonald, Yea; Kenneth Baker, Yea; Nick Alford, Yea;

Monty Westbrook, Yea; and Pam Merino, Yea.

The motion was carried unanimously. 7 - Yea, 0 - Nay, 0-Absent.

- C. Consider All Matters Related to the 2026-2027 Budget Including Execution of a Resolution Adopting and Approving Said Budget

Ms. Tonya Tillman presented item C.

A motion was made by Nick Alford and seconded by Ann McDonald to approve item C as presented.

Tonya Derrick, Yea; Ann McDonald, Yea; Kenneth Baker, Yea; Nick Alford, Yea; Monty Westbrook, Yea; and Pam Merino, Yea.

The motion was carried unanimously. 7 - Yea, 0 - Nay, 0-Absent.

A motion was made by Nick Alford and second by Ann McDonald

- D. Consider All Matters Related to the Proposed Tax Rate for the Tax Year 2026, Including a Resolution Setting Said Tax Rate

Ms. Tonya Tillman presented item D.

Ms. Tonya Derrick moved that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$1.1278, which effectively a 3.19 percent increase in the tax rate.

A motion was made by Monty Westbrook and seconded by Kenneth Baker to approve item D as presented.

Tonya Derrick, Yea; Ann McDonald, Yea; Kenneth Baker, Yea; Nick Alford, Yea; Monty Westbrook, Yea; and Pam Merino, Yea.

The motion was carried unanimously. 7 - Yea, 0 - Nay, 0-Absent.

7. Adjournment

A motion was made by Ann McDonald and seconded by Nick Alford to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 p.m.

Tonya Derrick, Yea; Ann McDonald, Yea; Kenneth Baker, Yea; Nick Alford, Yea; Monty Westbrook, Yea; and Pam Merino, Yea.

The motion was carried unanimously. 7 - Yea, 0 - Nay, 0-Absent

If, during the course of the meeting, the Board may lawfully conduct a closed meeting as to all or part of any item on the agenda, then, in accordance with applicable law, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E or Texas Government Code section 418.183(f). The Board shall not conduct a closed meeting unless a quorum of the Board first convenes in an open meeting for which proper notice has been given. Before any closed meeting is conducted, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Open Meetings Act or other applicable law authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions regarding any matter deliberated in a closed meeting shall only be taken in open meeting for which proper notice has been given. [See BEC(LEGAL)]