Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees
Leander Independent School District

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Leander Independent School District was held on Thursday, September 3, 2026, beginning at 6:15 PM in Linda Lippe Instructional Materials Center, 1775 W New Hope Drive, B1001.01 and B1001.02, Cedar Park, Texas 78613. The following members were present: Anna Smith, Sade Fashokun, Nekosi Nelson, Trish Bode, Paul Gauthier (left the meeting at 9:16 pm), Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia, and Laura Marques.

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**
2. **OPENING CEREMONY**
   - A. Pledge of Allegiance
   - B. Moment of Silence
3. **RECOGNITION**
   - A. Spotlight on Learning: LISD Early Childhood Continuum: Prenatal to Five
4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

   One citizen addressed the Board of Trustees.
5. **CONSENT AGENDA**
   - A. Consider Approval of Minutes of Regular and Called Board Meetings
   - B. Consider Approval of Remote Homebound Waiver
   - C. Consider Approval of a Resolution by the Leander Independent School District Adopting Williamson County Voting Equipment

   I move the Consent Agenda items be approved as presented. This motion, made by Dr. Laura Marques and seconded by Sade Fashokun, passed seven in favor and none opposed. Trish Bode: In favor, Sade Fashokun: In favor, Paul Gauthier: In favor, Dr. Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia: In favor, Dr. Laura Marques: In favor, Nekosi Nelson: In favor, Anna Smith: In favor.
6. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**
   - A. Empowered Student Learning
   - B. Empowered Staff Learning
   - C. Safe and Innovative Learning Environments
7. **DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS**
   - A. GOVERNANCE

1. Discussion of Board Operating Procedures
2. Discussion of Board Learning Related to Professional Learning Communities (PLC) Implementation Guide Self-Assessment Reflection
3. Discussion of Board Committees' Plans of Work

B. OPERATIONS

1. Discussion of Civic Solutions Group (CSG) Work and Engagement Timeline

8. **CLOSED SESSION**

The Board of Trustees went into Closed Session at 9:16 PM after the Board President announced the right to do so under:

A. Texas Government Code 551.071: consultation with attorney regarding, pending or contemplated litigation, and/or attorney client privileged matter

B. Texas Government Code 551.074: personnel - deliberation regarding resignations, terminations, employment, reassignments, duties, and evaluation of personnel and public officers

C. Texas Government Code 551.0821: deliberation regarding matters whereby personally identifiable information regarding one or more students will be disclosed

D. Texas Government Code 551.074: deliberation and consideration of employment of Bagdad Elementary School Principal

The Board of Trustees returned to Open Session at 10:12 PM.

9. **ACTION PURSUANT TO CLOSED SESSION**

1. Consider Employment of Bagdad Elementary School Principal

I move that the Board of Trustees accept the recommendation of Nadia Castanares for Principal at Bagdad Elementary School 1-year probationary employment contract for personnel addition(s) as presented in accordance with the salary scale, policies and contract of Leander Independent School District for the 2026-27 school year. This motion, made by Dr. Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia, and seconded by Dr. Laura Marques, passed six in favor and one absent. Trish Bode: In favor, Sade Fashokun: In favor, Paul Gauthier: Absent, Dr. Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia: In favor, Dr. Laura Marques: In favor, Nekosi Nelson: In favor, Anna Smith: In favor.

10. **BOARD MEETING DEBRIEF**

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, HAVING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, ADJOURNED THE MEETING.

Time: 10:13 PM

These minutes were read and approved by the Board of Trustees on the 17th day of September 2026.

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President Secretary

Copies of Board information referred to are attached to the official minutes or filed in the office indicated.