

Regular Meeting

Monday, August 31, 2026 6:30 PM

Sidney Wasson Center, 409 S. Houston St. , Wolfe City , Texas 75496

Chester Adams: Present

Courtney Allen: Present

Charolette Gardner: Present

Colt Herron: Present

James Richardson: Present

Charmayne Scott: Present

Jill Woodruff: Present

Doug Schimdt, Kimberly Crump, April Bellows, Billy Eldridge, Ricky Rodriguez, Julie Cupp, and Ellia Valdez.

1. Call to order and establish a quorum.

Board members will be, or may be attending by videoconference call in compliance with the OMA. A meeting of the Board of Trustees of Wolfe City Independent School District will be held Monday, August 31, 2026, at 6:30 pm in the Sidney Wasson Multi-Purpose Center located at 409 S. Houston St., Wolfe City, TX 75496.

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 order shown on this agenda.

Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted upon at one time.

If, during the course of the meeting covered by this agenda, the Board should determine that a closed session of the Board should be held or is required in relation to any item included on this agenda, then such closed session as authorized by Section 551.001 et seq. of the Texas Government Code ("Open Meetings Act") will be held by the Board at that date, hour, and place given in this agenda or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this agenda as the Board may conveniently meet in such closed session concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Sections 551.071 - 551.084, inclusive, of the Open Meetings Act.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public comments

Discussion: No public comments.

4. Public Hearing for Proposed Budget and Tax Rate for the 2026-2027 year.

Discussion: 6:34 p.m- Called to order for Hearing.

Proposed Recommended Budget based off of enrollment from last year 2025-2026 off of ADA

numbers.

Includes 3% midpoint raise for all staff,
purchase of a new bus, additional 41 function
salary, retention and recruitment stipends for a
total of 3 times throughout the year.

M&O-.7267

I&S .2129

Total: .9396 – same rate as 3 past years.

I&S rate could be lower but extra money will be
used to pay on bond payments- in the long run it
would save taxpayers money. SamCo (John Simms)
could potentially restructure some of our bond
payments only if it is financially feasible for
our district.

Closed Public Hearing 6:42 p.m.

5. Consent Agenda

5.a. Consider and possible action to approve the
Minutes of July 21, 2026 regular meeting

Action(s):

Motion to approve the minutes of previous
meeting, 07/21/2026. This motion, made by Chester
Adams and seconded by Courtney Allen, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Chester Adams:	Yea
Courtney Allen:	Yea
Charolette Gardner:	Yea
Colt Herron:	Yea
James Richardson:	Yea
Charmayne Scott:	Yea
Jill Woodruff:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

5.b. Consider and possible action to approve the
Minutes of August 15, 2026 Budget Workshop.

Action(s):

Motion to approve the minutes of Budget Workshop
08/15/2026. This motion, made by Chester Adams
and seconded by Courtney Allen, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Chester Adams:	Yea
Courtney Allen:	Yea
Charolette Gardner:	Yea
Colt Herron:	Yea
James Richardson:	Yea
Charmayne Scott:	Yea
Jill Woodruff:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

6. Director of Finance Report- Julie Cupp

6.a. Financial Report

6.b. Budget Amendments for 2025-2026 budget

Discussion: Asking for an amount of 150k to clean

up fund and functions for school year 2025-2026. Wolfe City ISD received an A Rating on our FIRST Report.

7. Action Items

7.a. Consider and possible action to approve the 2026-2027 Budget

Action(s):

Motion to approve the 2026-2027 budget. This motion, made by Jill Woodruff and seconded by Charmayne Scott, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Chester Adams:	Yea
Courtney Allen:	Yea
Charolette Gardner:	Yea
Colt Herron:	Yea
James Richardson:	Yea
Charmayne Scott:	Yea
Jill Woodruff:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

7.b. Approval of I&S debt service rate that exceeds the minimum rate.

Action(s):

I move that a proposed rate to pay debt service of .2129 per \$100 of taxable value be approved. This rate exceeds the district's debt service rate determined under Texas Education Code section 44.004(c) (5) (A) (ii) (b) of .1334 by .0795. The excess revenue collected from the proposed rate will be used for retiring debt early saving taxpayer dollars This motion, must pass by 5 of the 7 board members. This motion, made by Colt Herron and seconded by Chester Adams, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Chester Adams:	Yea
Courtney Allen:	Yea
Charolette Gardner:	Yea
Colt Herron:	Yea
James Richardson:	Yea
Charmayne Scott:	Yea
Jill Woodruff:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Discussion: Passed with a 7-0 vote.

7.c. Consider and possible action to approve the resolution to set the 2026-2027 M&O tax rate at .7267, the I&S tax rate at .2129, for the Total Tax Rate at .9396.

Action(s):

I move that a proposed rate to pay debt service of .2129 per \$100 of taxable value be approved. This rate exceeds the district's debt service rate determined under Texas Education Code section 44.004(c) (5) (A) (ii) (b) of .1334 by .0795.

The excess revenue collected from the proposed rate will be used for retiring debt early saving taxpayer dollars. This motion, made by Jill Woodruff and seconded by James Richardson, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Chester Adams:	Yea
Courtney Allen:	Yea
Charolette Gardner:	Yea
Colt Herron:	Yea
James Richardson:	Yea
Charmayne Scott:	Yea
Jill Woodruff:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Discussion: Our tax rate did not increase at all. The state is making us declare that we are raising our taxes above the state minimum. The tax rate is the same as the 3 previous years.

- 7.d. Consider and possible action to adopt a resolution directing the defeasance and/or redemption of certain of Wolfe City Independent School District's outstanding unlimited tax bonds on one or more occasions, appointing an authorized officer and delegating to the authorized officer the authority to make all determinations required to effectuate such defeasance and/or redemption, and enacting other provisions relating to the subject

Action(s) :

Motion was made to adopt a resolution directing the defeasance and/or redemption of certain of Wolfe City Independent School District's outstanding unlimited tax bonds on one or more occasions, appointing an authorized officer and delegating to the authorized officer the authority to make all determinations required to effectuate such defeasance and/or redemption, and enacting other provisions relating to the subject. This motion, made by Colt Herron and seconded by Chester Adams, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Chester Adams:	Yea
Courtney Allen:	Yea
Charolette Gardner:	Yea
Colt Herron:	Yea
James Richardson:	Yea
Charmayne Scott:	Yea
Jill Woodruff:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Discussion: Mr. White explains that the bond company restructures bond payments but only if it benefits our school district to pay off our bonds.

- 7.e. Consider and possible action to approve the resolution to declare a Good Cause Exception for House Bill 3 Armed Security Office Requirement, Texas Education Code section 37.0814.

Action(s):

Motion was made to approve the resolution to declare a Good Cause Exception for House Bill 3 Armed Security Office Requirement, Texas Education Code section 37.0814. This motion, made by James Richardson and seconded by Courtney Allen, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Chester Adams:	Yea
Courtney Allen:	Yea
Charolette Gardner:	Yea
Colt Herron:	Yea
James Richardson:	Yea
Charmayne Scott:	Yea
Jill Woodruff:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

- 7.f. Consider and possible action to approve the Certification of Compliance with Certain Laws under Texas Education Code 39.008, as enacted by Senate Bill (89th Texas Legislative Session)

- 7.g. Consider and possible action to approve Mary Shockley & Ian Zeringue as adjunct faculty member of the Wolfe City ISD as requested by the Hunt County AgriLife Extension Staff and The Hunt County 4-H program.

Action(s):

Motion to approve Mary Shockley as adjunct faculty member of the Wolfe City ISD as requested by the Hunt County AgriLife Extension Staff and The Hunt County 4-H program. This motion, made by Jill Woodruff and seconded by Charmayne Scott, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Chester Adams:	Yea
Courtney Allen:	Yea
Charolette Gardner:	Yea
Colt Herron:	Yea
James Richardson:	Yea
Charmayne Scott:	Yea
Jill Woodruff:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

- 7.h. Consider and possible action to approve the final reading for Policy Update 127

Discussion: Motion has been tabled.

8. 2025 Accountability Rating

Discussion: Presented by April Bellows.

9. Board President Report

Discussion: Discussed the importance of how all required board training hours are to be done by

registered providers.

9.a. 2026-2027 Enrollment Update

Discussion: Discussed how enrollment numbers are lower than previous year (2025).

10. **Executive Session -**

551.071 Private consultation with the board's attorney

551.072 Discussing purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property

551.073 Discussing negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations

551.074 Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel

551.076 Considering the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of security personnel or devices

551.082 Considering discipline of a public school child, or complaint or charge against personnel

551.0821 Discussing personally identifiable information about one or more student(s)

551.083 Considering the standards, guidelines, terms, or conditions, the board will follow, or will instruct its representatives to follow, in consultation with representatives of employee groups.

551.084 Excluding witnesses from a hearing

Discussion: Out of executive session at 9:14 p.m.

11. **Personnel**

11.a. Consider and possible action to approve 10-month Chapter 21 Non-Certified Contract(s) as discussed in Closed Session.

Discussion: Motion has been tabled.

12. **Adjourn**

Action(s):

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m. This motion, made by James Richardson and seconded by Chester Adams, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Chester Adams: Yea

Courtney Allen: Yea

Charolette Gardner: Yea

Colt Herron: Yea

James Richardson: Yea

Charmayne Scott: Yea

Jill Woodruff: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

