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Office of the Superintendent

La Vega I.S.D. Board of Trustees Minutes of the Regular Meeting September 15, 2026

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT – None

SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT – Dr. Sharon M. Shields, Todd Gooden, Jamie White, Dr. Shaunte' Scott, Allison Vrana, Chief Kerry Blakemore, and Betty Bentura

OTHERS PRESENT – La Vega ISD high school students Giovanni Lopez and Adum Patel.

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

OPENING CEREMONY – The Pledges of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Texas Flag were led by La Vega High School students Giovanni Lopez and Adum Patel.

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

RECOGNITION ITEMS – La Vega ISD Police Officer Ivan Salas Life Saving Award, La Vega High School students Giovanni Lopez and Aum Patel achievement in receiving the Governors Scient and Technology Champions Academy Scholarship at Southern Methodist University, and the following State Mandatory Dates were recognized:

September: Hydrocephalus Awareness Month

September 11th: Minute of Silence to Commemorate September 11, 2001

September 15th: Texas First Responders Day

September 15–19: Celebrate Freedom Week

September 17th : Constitution Day

September 26th: American Indian Heritage Day

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

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

Superintendent's Information to the Board - Dr. Sharon M. Shields, updated the Board Members on upcoming calendar items, student enrollment and Mr. Todd Gooden updated the Board with the construction sites at La Vega ISD.

APPROVED CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Mr. Myron Ridge moved to approve the listing of

of Consent Agenda Items, and Mrs. Mildred Watkins seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the items, with all members voting in favor of the motion: Rev. Larry Carpenter, Randy Devorsky, Henry C. Jennings, Raymond Koon, Myron Ridge, Brenda Rocha and Mildred Watkins.

- The minutes for the August 25, 2026, regular board meeting
- Monthly Tax Collection Report
- The Senate Bill 12 Certification
- The Budget Amendments as presented
- 2026 Texas Education Human Resources Day
- La Vega ISD designation of 2026 “nonbusiness” days of schools
- The class size reports

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. Randy Devoarsky made the motion, and mr. Myron Ridge seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the monthly budget analysis report as presented, with all members voting in favor of the motion: Rev. Larry Carpenter, Randy Devorsky, Henry C. Jennings, Raymond Koon, Myron Ridge, Brenda Rocha, and Mildred Watkins.

Teacher and Professional Employee Contract Recommendations – Mrs. Brenda Rocha made the motion, and Rev. Larry Carpenter seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the following contracts, Blake Mills, La Vega Elementary Teacher and Matthew Ordonez, PE Teacher at La Vega Intermediate School H.P. Miles Campus.

Approved Superintendent’s Contract Extension, Salary, and Benefits – Motioned by Mr. Randy Devorsky and seconded by Mr. Henry C. Jennings, the board unanimously voted to go into closed session to discuss Superintendent's contract extension, salary, and benefits, with all members voting in favor of the moiton: Rev. Larry Carpenter, Randy Devorsky, Henry C. Jennings, Raymond Kon, Myron Ridge, Brenda Rocha, and Mildred Watkins.

CLOSED MEETING – A closed session of the Board of Trustees was declared at 7:02 p.m. on September 15, 2026, as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.074 to perform the Superintendent’s evaluation and discussion of the Superintendent’s contract extension, salary, and benefits. The closed meeting ended at 7:59 p.m. on September 15, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT - Mrs. Mildred Watkins made the motion, and Mr. Randy Devorsky seconded the motion. Board members Rev. Larry Carpenter, Randy Devorsky, Henry C. Jennings, Raymond Koon, Myron Ridge, Brenda Rocha and Mildred Watkins unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. on September 15, 2026

Date of Board Approval

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

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