REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
Stephenville ISD
Stephenville, TX. 76401

October 19, 2026

The Stephenville Independent School District Board of Education met in Regular Session at 5:30 pm in the Bond Auditorium of the Administration Building, October 19, 2026 with the following members present:

Mr. Donny Hill, Vice President	Mr. Chad Elms
Mr. Matt Miller, Secretary	Mr. Ben McCleery
Dr. Rita Cook	Mr. Jason Smith

Member Absent: Dr. Robert Barberee, President

School Personnel Present: Dr. Eric Cederstrom, Ms. Kathy Hampton, Mr. John Briese, Mrs. Kelly Magin, Mrs. Esther Tucker, Mrs. Joanie Bennett, Mrs. Courtney Royal, Mrs. Mica Rudd, Mr. Victor Sauceda, Dr. Josh Holt, Mrs. Stephanie Traweek, Mr. Justin Swenson, Mrs. Sandy Benavidez Perez, Mrs. Blessing Wright, Mrs. Jennifer Salyards, Mrs. Carey Arthur, Mr. Koory Arthur, Mrs. Rachel Kammerer and Mrs. Norma Cervetto.

Invocation

The Invocation was provided by Mr. Donny Hill.

Recited U.S. and Texas Pledges of Allegiance

The U.S. and Texas Pledges of Allegiance were led by Dr. Eric Cederstrom.

I. Call to Order and Announce Quorum Present

Vice President Hill called the meeting to order and announced a quorum present.

II. Comments from Visitor

Mrs. Christin Pack, President of the Stephenville Education Foundation updated the board on the Stephenville Education Foundation.

III. Approval of Consent Agenda

The motion was made by Mr. McCleery and seconded by Mr. Elms to approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

-Minutes:
-September 21, 2026 – Regular Meeting
-September 30, 2026 – Called Meeting
-Review Check Registry
-Review of Additional Vendors
-Monthly Financial Statements
-Report on Catastrophic Leave

The following members voted in favor of the motion:

Mr. Donny Hill
Dr. Rita Cook
Mr. Chad Elms
Mr. Ben McCleery
Mr. Matt Miller
Mr. Jason Smith

The following member was absent: Dr. Robert Barberee

The motion passed.

IV. Approval of 26-27 Campus and District Improvement Plans

The motion was made by Mr. McCleery and seconded by Mr. Elms to approve the 26-27 Campus and District Improvement Plans as presented.

The following members voted in favor of the motion:

Mr. Donny Hill
Dr. Rita Cook
Mr. Chad Elms
Mr. Ben McCleery
Mr. Matt Miller
Mr. Jason Smith

The following member was absent: Dr. Robert Barberee

The motion passed.

V. Heard Superintendent's Report

-Bilingual/ESL Evaluation
-TASB DNA (LOCAL) Update – First Reading
-TASB CFB (LOCAL) Update – First Reading
-Newly Purchased Library Books
-Athletic Trainer – Henderson Jr. High
-Teacher Incentive Allotment Update
-Other

VI. Closed Session

Vice President Hill announced to those present that the Board would adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of Section 551.071 and/or 551.086 at approximately: 8:02 pm.

-Discuss Personnel Matters and/or Hear Complaints against Personnel (551.074)
--Deliberate appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties or discipline of contract and/or at-will employees.
-Discuss purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (551.072)
-Discuss the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel or devices (551.076)
-Consider the standards, guidelines, terms, or conditions the board will follow, or will instruct its representatives to follow, in consultation with representatives of employee groups (551.083)

VII. Open Session

The board reconvened to Open Session at approximately 8:50 pm.

VIII. Personnel

The following personnel recommendations were approved by Dr. Cederstrom.

Resignations:

Mike Copeland – Part-Time Teacher/Coach – Gilbert Intermediate School
Effective: October 16, 2026

IX. Adjourn

No further business appearing before the Board, the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST: _____ CORRECT: _____

Secretary President