

Minutes of Special Meeting

August 25, 2025

Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees

These minutes are a record of the actions taken by the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees in the meeting held on the above date.

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Kaufman ISD was held on Monday, August 25, 2025, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Kathy Covington Administration Building, 1000 South Houston Street, Kaufman, Texas 75142.

CALL TO ORDER: Establish a quorum

President Drew Peterson called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Christine Borders, Linda Mott, Byron Gregg, Lindsey Abell, and Elizabeth O'Donnell, were present. Casey Townsend was absent.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:00 PM under the authority of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.074-Personnel Matters; TGC-Section 551.072 Real Property Deliberations; TGC-Section 551.076-Safety and Security.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in open session at 6:08 PM.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES AND TEXAS FLAGS

President Drew Peterson led the board in the Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the US and Texas flags.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one asked to speak.

INSTRUCTIONAL FOCUS / PRESENTATIONS

- Lanny Jones and Jeremy Shipley from Pogue and Matt Crowley from VLK presented an update on the GMP for the Kaufman Middle School and Ag Barn projects.

PUBLIC HEARING

President Drew Peterson opened the public hearing at 6:35 PM. The purpose of this public hearing was to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate. Public participation in the discussion was invited.

Grant Miller, KISD Chief Financial Officer, proposed a budget of \$65,564,127 for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. The proposed budget figures include the General Fund, Food Service Fund, and Debt Service Fund.

The proposed tax rate of \$1.2552 per \$100 of value was discussed. The distribution was presented as \$0.7552 for M&O and \$0.5000 for I&S.

The Public Hearing closed at 7:00 PM.

ACTION ITEMS

Consideration and possible approval of the final amendment to the 2024-2025 KISD Budget.

- Linda Mott read the motion that the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees approve the final amendment to the 2024-2025 KISD Budget, as presented.
 - Christine Borders seconded the motion.
 - The motion passed with a vote of 6-0.

Consideration and possible approval of the 2025-2026 KISD Budget.

- Byron Gregg read the suggested motion that the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees approve the 2025-2026 KISD Budget, as presented.
 - Lindsey Abell seconded the motion.
 - The motion passed with a vote of 6-0.

Consideration and possible approval for the proposed Tax Rate and Ordinance.

- Vice President Christine Borders read the suggested motion that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of 1.255200, which is effectively a 1.99 percent increase in the tax rate, and to adopt an ordinance to that effect, as presented.
 - Elizabeth O'Donnell seconded the motion.
 - The motion passed with a vote of 6-0.

Consideration and possible approval for the 2025 Tax Levy and Summary of Certified Tax Roll.

- Vice President Christine Borders read the suggested motion to approve the 2025 Tax Levy and Summary of Certified Tax Roll, as presented.
 - Linda Mott seconded the motion.
 - The motion passed with a vote of 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consideration and possible approval of the Consent Agenda.

- ✓ TASB Policy Update 125
- ✓ SB 12-Board Resolution
- ✓ Adult Meal Price Increase
- Byron Gregg read the suggested motion that the Kaufman ISD Board of Trustees approve the consent agenda, as presented.
 - Lindsey Abell seconded the motion.
 - The motion passed with a vote of 6-0.

ADJOURN

There being no other business, President Drew Peterson adjourned the meeting at 7:12 PM.

Approve: _____

Attest: _____