

Minutes of the November 20, 2025,
Special Called Meeting of the Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees of the Abilene Independent School District met in a Special Called Meeting at 5:00 p.m., November 20, 2025, in the Valley View Room at One AISD Center 241 Pine Street, Abilene, Texas 79601. Mrs. Angie Wiley, President of the Board of Trustees, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., observed that a quorum was present, and stated that notice of the meeting had been duly posted in the time and manner prescribed by law.

Trustees present for all or part of the meeting: Mrs. Angie Wiley, President; Mr. Rodney Goodman, Vice President; Mr. Bill Enriquez, Assistant Secretary, Dr. Danny Wheat, Dr. Taylor Tidmore; Mr. Blair Schroeder. Members absent: Mrs. Cindy Earles.

Administrators present for all or part of the meeting: Dr. John Kuhn, Superintendent; Dr. Joseph Waldron, Deputy Superintendent; Dr. Gustavo Villanueva, Associate Superintendent for Student Services; Mrs. Patti Blue, Associate Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Mrs. Alison Sims, Associate Superintendent for the Development of Human Resources; Mrs. Jennifer Hinds, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Jordan Ziemer, Executive Director for Communications; and Mr. Jay Ashby, Executive Director for Innovation.

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Board/Superintendent Announcements/Information
- II. Oral Communication from the Public

Mrs. Angie Wiley asked if anyone wishing to address the Board had completed a public comment card. There was none.

- III. Business Items Requiring Board Action

- A. The Board will consider a Resolution Honoring Two Abilene High School Students.

Dr. Jordan Ziemer and Abilene Fire Chief Cande Flores recognized Abilene High School Students, Abby Bryan and Landon Vaughan, for their heroic action when they noticed flames inside a house on November 10, 2025. They were responsible for calling 911 and helping the family evacuate.

Mr. Blair Schroeder made a motion to approve the Resolution Honoring Abilene High School Students, Abby Bryan and Landon Vaughan, for their heroic actions. The motion was seconded by Dr. Danny Wheat and passed 6-0.

Ayes: Enriquez, Goodman, Wiley, Schroeder, Tidmore, and Wheat

Nays: None

Absent: Earles

- B. The Board will consider approval of the Martinez Elementary School Turnaround Plan (TAP).

Mrs. Patti Blue presented the Turnaround Plan (TAP) for Martinez Elementary School as required by TEA due to consistent low academic performance. Information was shared information that included what led to the TAP assignment for Martinez, how campus ratings are determined, and the TAP development process. Mrs. Blue also provided an overview of the Accelerating Campus Excellence (ACE) Model along with the benefits of the Model and the possible funding available for Planning, Implementation and Sustaining the ACE Model.

Dr. Taylor Tidmore made a motion to approve the Martinez Elementary Turnaround Plan as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bill Enriquez and passed 6-0.

Ayes: Tidmore, Wiley, Goodman, Enriquez, Wheat, and Schroeder

Nays: None

Absent: Earles

- C. Annual School Plan (Information Only)

Mr. Jay Ashby shared an overview of how data from the Quality Schools Analysis is used by Abilene ISD campuses to identify priorities and drive continuous improvement. Focused plans have been developed by each campus that align with district goals and address key areas. The Annual School Plan summarizes districtwide alignment under the System of Great Schools framework and outlines the next steps for continued implementation and improvement.

- D. The Board will consider approval of K-8 Math Curriculum.

Mrs. Patti Blue shared information addressing the need for new K-8 math curriculum and the process for choosing new curriculum. Recommendations were made to adopt Amplify Math for grades K-5 and Bluebonnet Math for grades 6-8.

A motion was made by Mr. Rodney Goodman to approve the use of Amplify Math in grades K-5 and Bluebonnet Math in grades 6-8 starting in the 2026-2027 school year as presented. Mrs. Angie Wiley seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Ayes: Schroeder, Wiley, Enriquez, Tidmore, and Goodman

Nays: None

Absent: Earles, Wheat

E. The Board will consider approval of a LASO Cycle 4 Grant Application.

Mrs. Patti Blue shared that Learning Acceleration Support Opportunities (LASO) is a single, consolidated application that combines grants, allotments, and in-kind supports, bundled around a few key strategies to accelerate academic gains. Six of the fifteen initiatives that LASO Cycle 4 offers have been identified for potential applications because they target critical areas for achieving our Northstar Goal include supports in Curriculum & Instruction, Education & Training, and Innovative School Models. Mrs. Blue also shared the AISD LASO Cycle 4 Application plans and past LASO Grant continuations.

Mr. Rodney Goodman made a motion to approved the proposed LASO Cycle 4 Grant Application as presented. Mr. Blair Schroeder seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Ayes: Wiley, Goodman, Schroeder, Enriquez, and Tidmore

Nays: None

Absent: Earles, Wheat

IV. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

APPROVED:

President

ATTEST:

Secretary