

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Thursday, January 15, 2026**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday January 15, 2026, beginning at 6:30 PM, in the Upstairs Middle Room, 200 Co Rd 421, Stephenville, TX 76401.

The subjects discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice. For more information about public comment, see Policy BED. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

1. Call to Order and Establish Quorum

The meeting was called to order and a quorum established at 6:30 PM by Board President Cody Pike. The board members in attendance were Brett Thetford, Cindy Shipman, Lance Brooks, AJ Squyres, Betty Peterson, and Cody Pike. Neil Culpepper joined via Zoom.

The administrative staff in attendance were Superintendent Wes Corzine and Principal Molly Purl. Business Manager Yvette Thomason was also in attendance.

2. Invocation

The invocation was led by Mr. Corzine.

3. Pledges of Allegiance - United States and Texas

4. School Board Appreciation

Mr. Corzine shared that the board meal was provided by PTO and small gifts were given to the board by grade levels to show appreciation to the board for their time and dedication to the students and staff of HISD. He further mentioned that Cindy Shipman and AJ Squyres volunteered to help with student drop-off during the week.

5. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

6. Consent Agenda

Description:

Review of Check Register

Review of Comparison to Revenue

Review of Detail Transactions - Utilities

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Cindy Shipman made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Betty Peterson seconded the motion.

All members in attendance voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda.

7. Superintendent Report

A. Design-build Request for Qualification

Mr. Corzine said two notices for Design-Build RFQs ran in the Dublin Citizen; one on January 8th and one on January 15th. The RFQs are due to HISD by February 5th at 3:00 PM, and will be reviewed by the board at the February meeting.

B. 3rd Six-Weeks Budget Report

Mr. Corzine compared the actual revenues and expenditures to the projected revenues and expenditures as of February 13th, which was about mid-way through the fiscal year. The actual revenue was \$2,352,465, and the projected amount was \$4,965,710. The actual expenditures were \$2,284,899, and the projected amount was \$4,149,673. The TEA has not updated the Summary of Finances with real-time projections.

8. Principal Report

A. Enrollment/Attendance

Mrs. Purl shared that student enrollment at the time of the meeting was 346 with attendance at 96.50% overall.

B. Upcoming Events

Mrs. Purl shared a calendar with the board with upcoming events for the remainder of January and for the month of February. These events include multiple basketball games and tournaments during both months, pep rallies to be held on January 22nd and February 3rd, the junior high Academic UIL meet at Iredell ISD on January 21st, and the Homecoming dance on January 24th. There will also be a PTO meeting on February 11th at 5:00 PM, middle-of-year MAPs parent conferences on February 13th, an awards assembly on February 19th, and the UIL One-Act play performance on February 21st.

Mr. Corzine shared athletic updates that were provided by Coach Kia McCarty.

9. Discussion Item(s)

A. Course Offerings

Mr. Corzine shared the results of a student survey that was given to grades 5-12 over potential courses and the culture of HISD. There were 108 responses out of 188 students. The survey included questions relating to opportunities and class offerings for students of HISD, how the students feel about HISD facilities and what they would like to see added or changed, and the relationships, behavior, and expectations of students and staff. The survey showed that overall, these students expressed a positive climate and are satisfied with their school experience.

Mr. Corzine also shared that he and Ms. Bleeker will be meeting with a representative from UT Austin in regards to the On-Ramps dual credit course program.

B. Senate Bill 11

Senate Bill 11 from the 2025-2026 89th Legislation relates to allowing a school district to adopt a policy by a vote of resolution to allow every student or employee a designated period of prayer and reading of the Bible or other religious text on each school day. The board will vote yes or no in February for implementing this time period.

10. Action Item(s)

There were no action items.

11. Recess to closed session was at 8:09 PM. The closed session convened at 8:18 PM and adjourned at 8:38 PM. The open session reconvened at 8:38 PM.

Description:

For the purpose of consideration of matters for which closed or executive sessions are authorized by Title 5, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code §(.071-084), whereupon the Superintendent, at the request of the President of the Board of Education, will present for the Board's discussion the following matters:

- A. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, to consult with the District's attorney, in person or by phone.
- B. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072, to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
- C. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee including the consideration by the board of the Superintendent's evaluation and contract.
- D. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.076, to deliberate continued evaluation and implementation of security plans, of security personnel or devices and/or conducting security audits.

12. Adjourn

The open meeting adjourned at 8:39 PM.

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E or Texas Government Code section 418.183(f). Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting. [See TASB Policy BEC(LEGAL)]

Cody Pike, President

Cindy Shipman, Secretary