Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees
Leander Independent School District

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Leander Independent School District was held on Thursday, February 19, 2026, beginning at 6:15 PM in Linda Lippe Instructional Materials Center, 1775 W New Hope Drive, B1001.01 and B1001.02, Cedar Park, Texas 78613. The following members were present: Anna Smith, Sade Fashokun, Nekosi Nelson, Trish Bode, Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia, and Laura Marques. Paul Gauthier was absent.

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**
2. **OPENING CEREMONY**
   - A. Pledge of Allegiance
   - B. Moment of Silence
3. **RECOGNITION**
   - A. Spotlight on Learning: Mason Elementary School
4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

   Eight citizens addressed the Board of Trustees.
5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

   I move the Consent Agenda items be approved as presented. This motion, made by Trish Bode and seconded by Dr. Gloria-Gonzales-Dholakia, passed six in favor and one absent. Trish Bode: In favor, Sade Fashokun: In favor, Paul Gauthier: Absent, Dr. Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia: In favor, Dr. Laura Marques: In favor, Nekosi Nelson: In favor, Anna Smith: In favor
   - A. Consider Adoption of Employee Contract Wording
   - B. Consider Adoption of Local Policies CAA, CDA, CQB, DEC, DH, EEP, EHB, FFF, and GKA
   - C. Consider Approval of List of Positions Eligible for Non-Chapter 21 Contracts
   - D. Consider Approval of Minutes of Regular and Called Board Meetings
   - E. Consider Approval of Remote Homebound Waiver
6. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**
   - A. Empowered Student Learning
   - B. Empowered Staff Learning
   - C. Safe and Innovative Learning Environments

7. **DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS**

A. STUDENT EXPERIENCE

1. Discussion of the School Health Advisory Council's Recommendation of Healthy Relationships and Sex Education Curriculum for 18+ Students

2. Consider Approval of the 2026-2027 Academic Calendar and Acceptance of the 2027-2028 Proposed Academic Calendar

I move the Board approve the 2026-2027 Proposed Academic Calendar and accept the 2027-2028 Proposed Academic Calendar, as presented during tonight's meeting. This motion, made by Trish Bode and seconded by Dr. Laura Marques, passed six in favor and one absent. Trish Bode: In favor, Sade Fashokun: In favor, Paul Gauthier: Absent, Dr. Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia: In favor, Dr. Laura Marques: In favor, Nekosi Nelson: In favor, Anna Smith: In favor

B. GOVERNANCE

1. Discussion of Board Priorities

C. OPERATIONS

1. District Facilities Modernization Overview and Leander High School Phase 2 Master Plan – Design Update

2. Consider Approval of the Designation of an Alternate Approver for Texas Education Agency (TEA) Login Access

I move the Board of Trustees authorize Dr. Sarah Grissom to act as Superintendent Alternate for approving staff requests (also referred to as "submitting requests to TEA") for access to one or more TEA web applications accessed through the Texas Education Agency Login (TEAL). This motion, made by Trish Bode and seconded by Dr. Laura Marques, passed six in favor and one absent. Trish Bode: In favor, Sade Fashokun: In favor, Paul Gauthier: Absent, Dr. Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia: In favor, Dr. Laura Marques: In favor, Nekosi Nelson: In favor, Anna Smith: In favor

3. Discussion of 2025-2026 Budget Projections

4. Consider Approval of Fiscal Year (FY) 26 Budget Amendment - #7

I move the Board of Trustees approve FY26 Budget Amendment - #7 as presented. This motion, made by Dr. Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia and seconded by Trish Bode, passed six in favor and one absent. Trish Bode: In favor, Sade Fashokun: In favor, Paul Gauthier: Absent, Dr. Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia: In favor, Dr. Laura Marques: In favor, Nekosi Nelson: In favor, Anna Smith: In favor

8. **CLOSED SESSION**

The Board of Trustees went into closed session at 8:01 PM after the board president announced the right to do so under:

A. Texas Government Code 551.071: consultation with attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation, and/or attorney client privileged matter

B. Texas Government Code 551.074: personnel - deliberation regarding resignations, terminations, employment, reassignments, duties, and evaluation of personnel and public officers

C. Texas Government Code 551.0821: deliberation regarding matters whereby personally identifiable information regarding one or more students will be disclosed

D. Texas Government Code 551.074: Superintendent Employment

The Board of Trustees returned to open session at 9:41 PM.

9. **BOARD MEETING DEBRIEF**
10. **ADJOURNMENT**

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, HAVING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, ADJOURNED THE MEETING.

Time: 10:52 PM

These minutes were read and approved by the Board of Trustees on the 12th day of March 2026.

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President Secretary

Copies of Board information referred to are attached to the official minutes or filed in the office indicated.