



HALLSVILLE ISD REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 18, 2025 @ 6:30 PM

The subjects to be discussed or considered upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows: Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice. All or part of the agenda can be considered consent.

Attendees

Mr. Jay Nelson, President
Mr. Dale Haney, Vice President
Mr. Troy Crafton, Secretary
Mr. Doug McGarvey, Asst. Secretary
Mr. Shane Goswick, Trustee
Mr. Matt Folmar, Trustee
Mr. Jason Ainsworth, Trustee

1. CALL TO ORDER - Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was led by Jay Nelson

3. BOBCAT PRIDE AND RECOGNITIONS

- 3.a. Recognition of the State UIL Team - Mike Clay
- 3.b. Texas FFA Recognitions - Kathy Gaw

4. OPEN FORUM

There were no requests to speak during Open Forum

5. CONSENT ITEMS

- 5.a. Minutes - July 28, 2025 Special Board Meeting/Budget Workshop
- 5.b. Minutes - July 28, 2025 Regular Board Meeting
- 5.c. July 2025 Balance Sheet - General Fund
- 5.d. July 2025 Financial Statement - General Fund
- 5.e. July 2025 Balance Sheet - Bond Fund
- 5.f. July 2025 Financial Statement - Bond Fund
- 5.g. YTD Bond Fund Expenditure Analysis
- 5.h. Budget Amendment 2025-10
- 5.i. Budget Amendment 2025-11



5.j. Budget Amendment 2025-12

5.k. Vendors to Exceed \$50,000 for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year

5.l. 2025-2026 Adult Meal Prices for Employees and Food Service Visitors

5.m. 2025-2026 Food Service Student Meal Prices

5.n. Approve TVAH Revisions to Local Policies EI, EIAA and FD

5.o. Approve Local Policies Allowing Participation of Homeschool Students in UIL Activities

5.p. Request for Out of State Travel (HHS Choir to New York City)

5.q. Request for Out of State Travel (FFA to Indianapolis, Indiana)

Doug McGarvey made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda in its entirety as presented.

Troy Crafton seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.a. July 2025 Check Register Report

7. ACTION ITEMS

7.a. Consider Approval of 2025-2026 Budget - Mary Brown

Administration presented and asked for approval for the 2025-2026 budgets. The budgets presented were the Debt Service Fund Budget, Food Service Fund Budget and the General Fund Budget (which includes the State Comp Ed Budget). The 2025-2026 Compensation Package was approved at the July regular board meeting.

Matt Folmar made a motion to approve the 2025-2026 Budgets as presented. Dale Haney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

7.b. Consider Approval of Ordinance for 2025-2026 Hallsville ISD M&O and I&S Tax Rates - Mary Brown

Administration recommended approval of the 2025-2026 Tax Rates. The recommended rates are \$0.6822 for M&O and \$0.095 for I&S funds, which is a decrease from the 2024-2025 M&O tax rate of \$0.6832 and no change from the 2024-2025 tax rate of \$0.095.

Troy Crafton made a motion that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of the tax rate of \$0.7772, which is effectively a 2.70 percent increase in the tax rate. This motion to adopt an ordinance, resolution, or order setting the tax rate requires language about "tax increase" as stated in Section 26.05(b) of Property Tax Code. Shane Goswick seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)



7.c. Consider Approval of the Bobcat Stadium Parking Lot Expansion - Mary Brown

Administration requested approval to move forward with the design of the parking lot revisions at Bobcat Stadium.

Doug McGarvey made a motion to move forward with the parking lot design as presented. Dale Haney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

7.d. Consider Approval of Vendor Over \$50,000 (Title I Services for Stride/K12) - Mary Brown

Administration requested approval to pay Title I grant expenditures totaling \$339,878.69 for the TVAHS campus. This (2024-2025) is the first year that the TVAHS campus qualified as a Title I campus.

Troy Crafton made a motion to approve the payment for Title I services for TVAHS as presented. Jason Ainsworth seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

7.e. Consider Approval of Vendor Over \$50,000 (Magic School AI) - Amy Whittle

Administration requested approval to purchase Magic School AI, which is an AI platform built exclusively for education. TVAHS is requesting this platform, which includes access for 20,000 students. Magic School AI is already being used by some of our brick and mortar campuses within the district. The \$95,000 will come from Title funds.

Dale Haney made a motion to approve Magic School AI as presented. Shane Goswick seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

7.f. Consider Approval of Vendor Over \$50,000 (Texas Multi-Chem) for Softball Complex Netting - Matt Tucker

Administration requested approval to replace the backstop netting at the softball complex. The \$67,200 project will be funded from the General Fund, and the recommended vendor is Texas Multi-Chem.

Troy Crafton made a motion to approve the softball netting project as presented. Matt Folmar seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

8.a. Facilities Report - Matt Tucker

8.b. Curriculum & Instruction/PD Report - Shauna Hittle

8.c. Transportation Report - Roy Presley

8.d. Athletics Report - Cody Farrell

8.e. Technology Report - James Burt

8.f. Special Education Report - Amy Collins

8.g. Special Programs Report - Amy Whittle



8.h. CTE Report - Kathy Gaw

8.i. TVAH Report - Julie Smith

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board recessed for Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. and reconvened in Open Session at 7:59 p.m.

10. PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

There were no personnel recommendations for consideration

11. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

11.a. September 12, 2025 @ 7:30pm - Hallsville Homecoming

11.b. September 20, 2025 - Get Rowdy, Get Loud

11.c. September 22, 2025 @ 6:30pm - Regular Board Meeting

11.d. February 26, 2026 @ 5:30pm - Team of 8 Training with Dennis Eichelbaum

12. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

SUPERINTENDENT