Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees
Terrell ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Terrell ISD was held Monday, September 15, 2025, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Terrell ISD Professional Development Center, 201 East Alamo Street, Terrell, Texas 75160.

After calling the meeting to order and recognizing Terrell ISD staff and students as well as Terrell community members, the meeting relocated to the Terrell ISD Boardroom at the Central Administration Building, 700 N. Catherine Street, Terrell, Texas 75160, where the remainder of the meeting will resume after a brief recess.

The subjects to be 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. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Establish that a Quorum is Present
   The meeting was called to order at 5:25 pm by Board President Dena Risinger and established that a quorum was present. Board Members Ann McDonald, Monty Westbrook, Ashley Fivecoat, and Nick Alford were present. Tonya Derrick and Kenneth Baker were absent.
2. Recognitions
   The Tiger of the Month, Staff, and Community Members were recognized.
3. Recess
   A brief recess was taken at 5:39 p.m. The meeting reconvened in the Boardroom at 5:52 p.m.
4. Pledges of Allegiance and Moment of Silence
   Board President, Dena Risinger led the pledges of allegiance and a moment of silence was observed.
5. Public Comments
   There were no public comments.
6. Superintendent's Report
   - ***A. Dr. Warnock shared a district update for the first few weeks of school.***
   - ***B. Ms. Alison Rison shared an update on Literacy Instruction and Outcomes in Kinder through High School classes.***
   - ***C. Mr. Earl Gilmore shared an update on School Culture.***
   - ***D. Dr. Warnock shared a Legislative Update.***
7. Consent Agenda
   - A. Consider Approval of the Election of Personnel
   - B. Consider Acceptance of Financial Reports: July 2025 Tax Report; July 2025 Financial Summary; Head Start July 2025 Financial Report; Head Start July 2025 Credit Card Report
   - C. Consider Acceptance of the Purchasing Report

D. Consider Award for RFP 2526-002 General Services and Supplies
E. Consider Award for RFP 2526-001 Consulting and Professional Development Services
F. Consider Award for RFP 2425-012 General Services and Supplies
G. Consider Report on Purchasing Cooperatives Fees and Rebates
H. Consider Approval of Bank Resolution and Signature Authority for Terrell ISD Bank Account, Series 2025 Bond Construction Fund
I. Consider Approval for Fencing RFP 2425-006 Amendment of Authorized Amount
J. Consider Resolution Adopting and Reviewing the Investment Policy of the Terrell Independent School District
K. Consider Resolution Authorizing Certain Investment Brokers/Dealers
L. Consider Resolution Approving Independent Sources of Training Relating to Investment Responsibilities
M. Consider Award for RFP 2324-010 Professional Development, Consultants, Community Outreach, Mentors, and Trainers for Staff and Students
N. Consider Approval of the 25-26 Professional Development Plan
O. Consider Approval of the Comprehensive Amendments to Legal Policies Via Update 125
P. Consider Approval of the Additions to TLR Appraisers for the 2025-2026 School Year
Q. Consider Approval of the Amendment to FNCE Local Policy
R. Consider Approval of Contracts for TISD Administrators Providing Consulting Services
S. Consider Approval of Regular and Special Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Ann McDonald and seconded by Monty Westbrook to approve the consent agenda with the recommendation to remove item H to be reviewed separately. The motion passed 5-0. Board members Tonya Derrick and Kenneth Baker were absent.

RECORD VOTE:

Yes	No	Board Member
x		Dena Risinger
		Tonya Derrick
x		Ann Kines McDonald
x		Nicholas Alford
		Kenneth Baker
x		Ashley Carmona-Fivecoat
x		Monty Westbrook

8. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

Item H was removed from the consent agenda.

A motion was made by Monty Westbrook and seconded by Nick Alford to approve item H (Bank Resolution and Signature Authority for Terrell ISD Bank Account Series 2025 Bond Construction Fund). The motion passed 4-0. Board members Tonya Derrick and Kenneth Baker were absent. Dena Risinger abstained from voting.

RECORD VOTE:

Yes	No	Board Member
		Dena Risinger
		Tonya Derrick
x		Ann Kines McDonald
x		Nicholas Alford
		Kenneth Baker
x		Ashley Carmona-Fivecoat
x		Monty Westbrook

9. Items for Discussion and Action
   A. Consider All Matters Related to the Nomination of a Candidate for the Hunt County Appraisal District Board of Directors

      Ms. Tonya Tillman presented item A.

      Board President, Dena Risinger called for any nominations for the Hunt County Appraisal District Board of Directors. There weren't any nominations.

   B. Consider All Matters Related to the Nomination of a Candidate for the Kaufman County Appraisal District Board of Directors

      Ms. Tonya Tillman presented item B.

      Board President, Dena Risinger called for nominations for the Kaufman County Appraisal District Board of Directors. Dr. Bruce Wood was nominated as the candidate. A motion was made by Ann McDonald and seconded by Nick Alford to nominate Dr. Bruce Wood to the Kaufman County Appraisal District Board of Directors. The motion passed 5-0. Board members Tonya Derrick and Kenneth Baker were absent.

RECORD VOTE:

Yes	No	Board Member
x		Dena Risinger
		Tonya Derrick
x		Ann Kines McDonald
x		Nicholas Alford
		Kenneth Baker
x		Ashley Carmona-Fivecoat
x		Monty Westbrook

10. Adjournment

    A motion was made by Ann McDonald and seconded by Monty Westbrook to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 p.m. The motion passed 5-0. Board members Tonya Derrick and Kenneth Baker were absent.

RECORD VOTE:

Yes	No	Board Member
x		Dena Risinger
		Tonya Derrick
x		Ann Kines McDonald
x		Nicholas Alford
		Kenneth Baker
x		Ashley Carmona-Fivecoat
x		Monty Westbrook

If, during the course of the meeting, the Board may lawfully conduct a closed meeting as to all or part of any item on the agenda, then, in accordance with applicable law, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E or Texas Government Code section 418.183(f). The Board shall not conduct a closed meeting unless a quorum of the Board first convenes in an open meeting for which proper notice has been given. Before any closed meeting is conducted, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Open Meetings Act or other applicable law authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions regarding any matter deliberated in a closed meeting shall only be taken in open meeting for which proper notice has been given. [See BEC(LEGAL)]

Ann McDonald, Secretary of Terrell ISD Board of Trustees	Dena Risinger, President of Terrell ISD Board of Trustees