

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Argyle ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Argyle ISD was held Monday, **February 16, 2026**, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Argyle ISD Board Room, 6701 Canyon Falls Dr, Flower Mound, TX 76226.

Board Members Present at Call to Order: Sam Slaton, Board President; Craig Hawkesworth, Vice President; Matt Slaton, Board Secretary; Rich McDowell; Dr. Leona McDade; Josh Westrom; Leigh Ann Artho

Argyle ISD Staff Present: Dr. Courtney Carpenter, Superintendent; Dr. Chris Daniel, Deputy Superintendent; Dr. Dawn Jordan, Assistant Superintendent; Liz Stewart, CFO; Greg Royar, CTO; Austin Ince, IT Coord; Yvolene McGarvey, Administrative Assistant; Tiffany Shawhart, Communications Administration Asst; Holly Williams, Hilltop Elementary Principal; Hillary Laird, Hilltop Asst. Principal; Jeff Koehn, AISD Construction Manager; Dona Lumsden, AMS Principal; Whitney Wheeler, Scott Gibson Middle School Principal

1. 5:00pm. Call to Order - Determine if a Quorum is Present
2. 5:01pm Executive Session as authorized by Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E:
 - A. PERSONNEL MATTERS & PUBLIC OFFICERS: To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, including Board members, or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.074).
 1. Personnel Report
 2. Administrative Contract Recommendations
 - B. REAL PROPERTY: To deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the Board's position in negotiations with a third person. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.072)
 - C. LEGAL COUNSEL: To consult with its attorney when the Board seeks advice about pending or contemplated litigation or a settlement offer, or when the attorney will have an ethical duty of confidentiality. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.071).
 - D. STUDENT & EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE: involving discipline of a public school child; or in which a complaint or charge is brought against an employee of the school district by another employee and the complaint or charge directly results in a need for a hearing. Subsection (a) does not apply if an open hearing is requested in writing by a parent or guardian of the child or by the employee against whom the complaint or charge is brought. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.082)

E. PHYSICAL SAFETY & SECURITY: To deliberate the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices, or to deliberate a security audit. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.076)

F. CYBER SECURITY: Security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology; network security information as described by Section 2059.055(b); or the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.089)

G. PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION ABOUT PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT: To deliberate a matter regarding a public school student, if personally identifiable information about the student will necessarily be revealed by the deliberation unless an open meeting about the matter is requested in writing by the student's parent (Tex. Gov't Code 551.0821)

6:20pm Return from Executive Session

3. Special Recognition

~ Introduction of New Officers: Sabrina Blackwell, Preston Staber, and Steven Marks ~
~ Swearing in of K9 Unit ~

4. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags

~ Hilltop Elementary
~ Argyle Eagle Football, Class 5A Division II State Quarter Finalist ~

5. Opening Prayer

6. Public Forum/Comments to the Board. For Regular Board Meetings, the Board will hear public comments regarding agenda and non-agenda items. (limit 5 minutes each or 30 minutes total)

7. Public Hearing ~ District Annual TAPR Report (2024-2025)

8. Consider and take any action deemed necessary upon discussion in the closed meeting

1. No Action Taken in Closed Session

9. Consent Items

A. Minutes

B. Donations

C. General Operating Checks and Financial Reports

D. Missed School Days Waiver

E. MOU Region 11 for TIA TTESS Calibration

F. Bad Weather Resolution

1. Dr. Leona McDade made a motion that the Board approve consent items as presented

2. Rich McDowell seconded

3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

10. Reports

- A. Construction Report
- B. Preliminary 2026-2027 Budget Calendar and Process Update
- C. Superintendent Report

11. Information Only

- A. Purchase Above \$100,000 CH (local)
- B. 26-27 Staffing Plan

12.

Discussion/Action Items

A. Consider for approval budget amendment #2 FY26.

- 1. Matt Slaton made a motion that the Board approve action item 12-A as presented
- 2. Craig Hawkesworth seconded
- 3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

B. Consider and Approve 26-27 School Calendar

- 1. Craig Hawkesworth made a motion that the Board approve action item 12-B as presented
- 2. Leigh Ann Artho seconded
- 3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

C. Consider and Approve TASB Update 126 & Other Localized Policy

1. Matt Slaton made a motion that the Board approve action item 12-C as presented

2. Rich McDowell seconded

3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

D. Consider for Approval FM407 Improvements - Construction Materials Testing and Inspection

1. Dr. Leona McDade made a motion that the Board approve action item 12-D as presented

2. Leigh Ann Artho seconded

3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

E. Consider Construction Manager at Risk selection for AHS Projects Baseball / Softball Complex, Connector Hallway

1. Josh Westrom made a motion that the Board approve action item 12-E as presented

2. Craig Hawkesworth seconded

3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

F. Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution authorizing the acquisition by purchase or eminent domain, if necessary, of two utility easements **and two temporary construction easements (added in motion)** for the public purpose of providing electric and gas service to District property across the property currently owned by The Well Community Church of Argyle, being more particularly described as follows:

A 9.990 tract of land situated in the Patrick Rock Survey Abstract No. 1063 Town of Argyle, Denton County Texas, and being part of Lot 1, Block A, James P. Heath Addition, an addition to the Town of Argyle, Denton County, Texas, and described as Tract C in the Special Warranty Deed from HTM Argyle Land, LLC to The Well Community Church of Argyle, recorded in document No. 2019-49287 of the Real Property Records of Denton County, Texas.

1. Josh Westrom made a motion that the Board approve action item 12-F with the addition of the words “and two temporary construction easements”.

2. Craig Hawkesworth seconded

3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

13. President Sam Slaton adjourned the meeting at 7:54pm.

Sam Slaton,
Board President

Matt Slaton,
Board Secretary