

**Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Wednesday, February 26, 2025**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, February 26, 2025, beginning at 6:30 PM, in the Board Room, 200 Co Rd 421, Stephenville, TX 76401.

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. 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

Board Vice President Brett Thetford called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Board Members Cindy Shipman, Lance Brooks, Brett Thetford, Mike Wilfong, and Betty Peterson were present.

Administration present were Superintendent Wes Corzine, Dean of Students Tabitha Bleeker, and Business Manager Yvette Thomason.

2. Invocation

Wes Corzine gave the invocation.

3. Pledges of Allegiance - United States and Texas

4. Staff Highlight - Jack Harvey Exemplary Teaching Award

Wes Corzine introduced Soundrea McCarty, the HISD junior high ELAR teacher and junior high cheer sponsor. Mrs. McCarty will be recognized at Weatherford College on February 27th for the Jack Harvey Exemplary Teaching Award.

5. Public Comment

PTO President, Lacie Harris, shared comments on her Facebook post regarding the 2025-2026 Instructional Calendar. The majority of comments were in support of the calendar option two, that is most similar to the 2024-2025 Instructional Calendar. Other comments suggested moving the five-day school weeks throughout the calendar or after the second semester.

6. Public Meeting - 2023-2024 Texas Academic Performance Report

The Public Meeting to discuss the 2023-2024 Texas Academic Performance Report began at 7:09 p.m. Mr. Corzine presented the TAPR results. The results compare various years from 2021 to 2024, TEA's results lag in certain years. He discussed how HISD students' scores ranked among the other districts statewide and districts in ESC Region 11. He also shared the growth achievements made by grade levels and said areas of concern have been addressed and interventions are in place. Further discussion showed an attendance rate increase, 100% of seniors graduate with an endorsement program, in 2022-2023, 64% of seniors had an industry-based certification, and enrollment in dual credit courses was 42%. The meeting ended at 7:21

7. Consent Agenda

Description:

Review of Check Register
Review of Comparison to Revenue
Review of Detail Transactions - Utilities
Minutes of Previous Board Meetings

Lance Brooks motioned to approve the consent agendas for January 16, 2025.

Betty Peterson seconded.

The motion carried unanimously 4 to 0.

8. Superintendent Report

A. 2025-2026 Instructional Calendar

Mr. Corzine presented the three proposed 2025-2026 Instructional Calendars. He said, after a poll, most staff preferred option two. Option two has August 1st as the first staff workday and August 6th as the first day of school. This option is also most favored by the community as stated previously by Lacie Harris. This calendar has five instructional Fridays from August 8th through September 5th and 77,000 total instructional minutes.

B. Legislative Update

Mr. Corzine spoke about certain items being discussed during the legislative session. Some topics are funding Resident Teachers and HB2, which relates to school finance. The bill proposes to increase the basic allotment by \$220 per student, with 40% of the allocation to increase teacher pay. This would add \$71,000 to HISD's current allotment with \$28,400 towards teacher raises. Senate Bill 26 would provide funding for teacher compensation. This bill delegates a \$5000 compensation increase to teachers with 3-5 years of experience and a \$10,000 compensation increase to teachers with 5+ years of experience for districts with fewer than 5000 students like HISD. HB3 and SB2 concern Education Savings Accounts for private and home-schooled students and requirements for those students. HB4 repels the STAAR test and moves student assessments to MAPS testing.

C. March 2025 Regular Board Meeting - March 27, 2025 - 6:30 p.m.

The March meeting will be moved to the 4th week in March on March 27th due to spring break.

9. Principal Report

A. Attendance/Enrollment

Dean of Students Tabitha Bleeker shared the current enrollment is 326 students. The 4th six-weeks attendance was 91.91%, and the overall attendance was 93.78%.

B. Instructional Update

Ms. Bleeker presented the middle of year MAPS results and said Parent-Teacher conferences were held to discuss them. These results compared September 2024 results to Dec/Jan 2025 and measured student academic growth and achievement.

Golf, tennis, and track seasons have started, and basketball season is complete. High school academic UIL is underway, and the One Act Play is March 7th.

10. Discussion Item(s)

A. Huckabay ISD School Board Goals

Mr. Corzine discussed the current Huckabay ISD Board Goals and asked the board if any goals should be added. Potential new goals include adding class space and expanding instructional options and offerings.

11. Action Item(s)

A. Consider Approval of 2024-2025 Budget Amendments - Presented by Yvette Thomason

Yvette Thomason presented the 4th six-weeks budget amendment to correct over-expensed accounts.

Betty Peterson motioned to approve the budget amendments as presented.

Lance Brooks seconded.

The motion carried unanimously 4 to 0.

B. Consider Approval of HB3 Board Goals

Voting to approve HB3 Board Goals extends the board set goals through 2029. HB requires the following: *Texas School Boards are to adopt plans focused on early childhood literacy and math, and college, career, and military readiness (CCMR), including specific, quantifiable, annual goals for five years at each campus.*

Cindy Shipman motioned to approve Huckabay ISD's HB3 Board Goals.

Mike Wilfong seconded.

The motion carried unanimously 4 to 0.

C. Consider Approval of TASB Policy Update 124

Mr. Corzine outlined policy update 124 revised by TASB. The changes include policies recommended for revision, new policies, and policies recommended for deletion.

Lance Brooks motioned to approve TASB Policy Update 124.

Betty Peterson seconded.

The motion carried unanimously 4 to 0.

D. Consider Approval of 2024-2025 Financial Auditor

Mr. Corzine shared the three proposals from audit firms, Snow Garret and Williams, Hankins Eastup Deaton Tonn, and Edgin Parkman Fleming and Fleming. All three auditing firms are TEA approved and serve Texas LEAs.

Mike Wilfong motioned to approve Snow Garret and Williams as Huckabay ISD Financial Auditor.

Betty Peterson seconded.

The motion carried unanimously 4 to 0.

12. **Recess to Closed Session was at 8:53 p.m. and the meeting convened at 9:01 p.m.**

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.

Closed Session adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

13. **Adjourn**

The board meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

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, Board President

Cindy Shipman, Board Secretary