



HALLSVILLE ISD REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JULY 28, 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 6:37 p.m.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was led by Matt Folmar

3. BOBCAT PRIDE AND RECOGNITIONS

3.a. Brantley Bonner Selected as Outstanding Performer - Sherri Morgan

4. OPEN FORUM

There were no requests to speak during Open Forum

5. CONSENT ITEMS

- 5.a. Minutes - June 19, 2025 Special Board Meeting/Budget Workshop
- 5.b. Minutes - June 19, 2025 Regular Board Meeting
- 5.c. June 2025 Balance Sheet - General Fund
- 5.d. June 2025 Financial Statement - General Fund
- 5.e. June 2025 Balance Sheet - Bond Fund
- 5.f. June 2025 Financial Statement - Bond Fund
- 5.g. Approval of 2025-2026 Food Service Charge Policy
- 5.h. Budget Amendment 2025-9
- 5.i. Renewal of Property, Liability and Worker's Compensation Insurance Carrier and Policy
- 5.j. Approval of Continued Membership in Current Purchasing Cooperatives



5.k. Approval of 2025-2026 Food Service Advisory Committee

5.l. Approve 2025-2026 SHAC Membership

5.m. Approve HISD Student Handbook and Student Code of Conduct - Lindsay Slaten

5.n. Approve TVAH Student Code of Conduct

5.o. Approve TVAH Student Handbook

5.p. Adoption of Local Policy Update 125

Troy Crafton made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda in its entirety as presented. Dale Haney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.a. June 2025 Check Register Report

6.b. Bobcat Band Trip Proposal/Information - Sherri Morgan

6.c. 2025-2026 Employee Handbook (Information Item)

6.d. TVAH Academic Profile (Informational)

7. ACTION ITEMS

7.a. Consider Approval of 2025-2026 Compensation Plan - Mary Brown

Administration reviewed and requested approval of the 2025-2026 Compensation Plan. The package includes a raise to base pay for Teachers, Counselors, Librarians, and RNs, as well as two (2) incentive payments to be calculated based on total years of experience, as well as years of service in Hallsville ISD.

For staff who are NOT Teachers, Counselors, Librarians, or RNs, the Compensation Plan includes a 3% raise and two (2) one-time incentive payments of \$2,300. The district will contribute \$428 per month to health insurance premiums for all active participants.

Troy Crafton made a motion to approve the 2025-2026 Compensation Plan as presented. Doug McGarvey seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

7.b. Consideration and possible action concerning the procurement of architecture, design and construction services for upcoming renovation and new construction projects - Mary Brown

TD Architects was approved at the April meeting as the architectural firm for the district's upcoming projects. Administration requested approval to enter into a contract with TD Architects for design and construction services for upcoming projects.

Dale Haney made a motion to approve the contract for design and construction of future projects as presented. Doug McGarvey seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)



7.c. Vendor Over \$50,000 (iReady Supplemental Materials) - Shauna Hittle

Administration requested approval to satisfy a requirement of HB 1416, which states that we must have a differentiated tutorial program for students who failed the STAAR Test. We have used the iReady program for three years. The funding source for the \$160,037.50 project is the Instructional Materials Allotment.

Shane Goswick made a motion to approve the iReady Supplemental Materials as presented. Matt Folmar seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

7.d. Vendor Over \$50,000 (Vizzle/SEL) - Julie Smith/Amy Collins

Administration requested approval to purchase RethinkEd/Vizzle, an instructional software, for \$50,500.00. The funding source for this purchase is the IDEA-B special education federal grant.

Troy Crafton made a motion to purchase the Vizzle/SEL software as presented. Doug McGarvey seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

7.e. Consider Approval of Vendor Over \$50,000 (Franklin Covey) - Amy Whittle

Administration requested approval to renew the 'Leader in Me' curriculum. This renewal supports the district's ongoing efforts to support whole-child development and improve student academic and behavioral outcomes. The recommended vendor is Franklin Covey. The renewal cost is \$92,559.14, and the funding source is the Title II Federal Grant.

Doug McGarvey made a motion to approve the 'Leader in Me' curriculum as presented. Shane Goswick seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

7.f. Consider Approval of Vendor Over \$50,000 (The Writing Academy) - Amy Whittle

Administration requested approval to continue its (TVAH) engagement with The Writing Academy. This group helps to facilitate effective remediation, especially in regards to phonics foundations. The cost of The Writing Academy phonics, TEKS resource books, and Professional Learning Courses is \$307,033.62.

Troy Crafton made a motion to approve The Writing Academy curriculum as presented. Dale Haney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

7.g. Consider Approval of Policy FNCE(LOCAL) - Amy Whittle

Administration requested adoption of changes to the local policy regarding cell phone/electronics use by students. These changes are a result of House Bill 1481, and the district is reiterating and enforcing what the law is, as it is state mandated legislation.

Matt Folmar made a motion to approve/adopt the changes to policy FNCE(LOCAL) as presented. Jason Ainsworth seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)



7.h. Consider Approval of Adjustment to Exemption Policy - James Gibson

Administration requested adoption of changes to the local exemption policy, EIAA(LOCAL). These minor revisions will not affect core courses, but it will allow for greater flexibility in assessing students and gathering data.

Troy Crafton made a motion to approve/adopt the changes to policy EIAA(LOCAL) as presented. Shane Goswick seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

7.i. Consider Approval of Chromebook Replacement Project - James Burt (Amy Whittle)

Administration requested approval to replace Chromebooks that have reached end-of-life status. A total of 378 devices will be replaced. CDW is the recommended vendor and Title I is the funding source for the \$139,960.80 project.

Doug McGarvey made a motion to approve the Chromebook replacement project as presented. Dale Haney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

7.j. Consider Approval of Interoperability Radio Purchase - James Burt (Chris Miller)

Administration requested approval to purchase TxWARN interoperable radio equipment. This radio purchase is a necessary investment in the safety and security of the district. State SAFE 1 safety grant will be used to fund the \$102,364.60 purchase.

Jason Ainsworth made a motion to approve the purchase of Interoperability Radios as presented. Troy Crafton 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. Child Nutrition/Food Service - Eric Hudson

8.g. Special Education Report - Amy Collins

8.h. Special Programs Report - Amy Whittle

8.i. CTE Report - Kathy Gaw

8.j. TVAH Report - Julie Smith

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board recessed for Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. and reconvened in Open Session at 8:28 p.m.



10. PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Shane Goswick made a motion to approve Personnel Recommendations as presented. Doug McGarvey seconded the motion and it passed unanimously (7-0)

11. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

11.a. July 31, 2025 @ 9:00 am - Convocation at the Performing Arts Center

11.b. August 12, 2025 - First Day of School

11.c. August 15, 2025 @ 12:00 - Budget Workshop

11.d. August 18, 2025 @ 5:30 pm - Special Meeting/Public Hearing

11.e. August 18, 2025 @ 6:30pm - Regular Board Meeting

12. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

SUPERINTENDENT