

**Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Thursday, February 19, 2026**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, February 19, 2026, beginning at 6:30 PM, in the Upstairs Middle 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

The meeting was called to order and a quorum established at 6:32 PM by Board President Cody Pike. The board members in attendance were Brett Thetford, Cindy Shipman, AJ Squyres, Betty Peterson, and Cody Pike. Neil Culpepper joined via Zoom.

The administrative staff in attendance were Superintendent Wes Corzine, Dean of Students Tabitha Bleeker, and Principal Molly Purl. Business Manager Yvette Thomason was also in attendance.

2. Invocation

The invocation was led by HISD athletic coach Kia McCarty.

3. Pledges of Allegiance - United States and Texas

4. Staff Highlight - Jack Harvey Exemplary Teaching Award

Mr. Corzine introduced Lynn Carroll and her husband, Gordon. Mrs. Carroll has been nominated to receive the Jack Harvey Exemplary Teaching Award through Weatherford College. The ceremony will be held on Wednesday, February 25th at the Doss Heritage Center in Weatherford. Mrs. Carroll has been a teacher with Huckabay since 2021. She taught prekindergarten for three years before moving to fourth grade where she currently teaches.

5. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

6. Public Meeting - 2024-2025 Texas Academic Performance Report

The public meeting for the 2024-2025 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) began at 6:35 PM.

The TAPR is a report that details district STAAR performance and contributes to accountability ratings. Huckabay ISD's District Accountability Score is an A, and the district met the special education requirements. Mr. Corzine presented the report, highlighting areas of improvement from the previous year and areas of focus for the current and future academic year.

The public meeting for the 2024-2025 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) concluded at 6:46 PM.

7. Consent Agenda

Description:

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

Cindy Shipman made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Betty Peterson seconded the motion.

All members in attendance voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda

8. Extracurricular Report

A. Athletics

Coaches Barry Gill and Kia McCarty spoke on basketball playoffs and the standings for each team. Playoff games will be held on Tuesday, February 24th in Midlothian for the girls and Stephenville for the boys. Spring sports have begun practice and the first track meet will be on Monday, February 23rd. Softball, baseball, golf, and tennis playing seasons will begin in March.

B. FFA/Stock Shows

Ag teachers Cory Ludwig and Caylie Handgis spoke about the 2025-2026 stock show season. Mr. Ludwig shared there are a total of 26 total exhibitors with 175 entries that will attend six different stock shows. The students were very successful at the Erath, Fort Worth, San Antonio, and San Angelo stock shows. Students won championships and some made the sale.

CDE invitationals will begin late March and continue through early April. Huckabay has 6 CDE teams comprised of 24 students who will compete at ten invitationals.

9. Superintendent Report

A. TASB Facility Assessment Update

Mr. Scott Beene, a representative from TASB, spent two and one-half days at Huckabay completing a facility assessment which included aerial flyovers with a drone camera. The report should be available mid to late March and will be presented at a future board meeting.

B. 2026-2027 Instructional Calendar

Mr. Corzine presented two options for the 2026-2027 instructional calendar. Each calendar has 153 days of instruction for a total of 76,500 minutes for an excess of 900 minutes. Each option is absent of five-day weeks at the beginning of the school year and include 12 teacher work days.

The calendar was shared with the HISD staff and community to receive feedback on preferences.

The calendar options will be voted on by the board at the March meeting.

C. Missed School Days Due to Inclement Weather — Bad Weather Day

Due to the inclement weather at the end of January, HISD was closed for three school days (1,500 total minutes) and an additional 2 hours and 15 minutes of another day (135 minutes) for a total of 1,635 minutes of lost instructional time. The 2025-2026 calendar allotted for 1,400 extra minutes. This left the required instructional minutes for the school year in a deficit of 235 minutes. Students and staff will attend school on May 15th to make up the required minutes.

10. Principal Report

A. Attendance/Enrollment Update

Mrs. Purl shared that student enrollment at the time of the meeting was 344 with attendance at 96.53% overall. She has mailed letters home and met with students who are required to attend attendance recovery hours.

B. Upcoming Events

Mrs. Purl shared a March and April calendar with the board. Spring sport events will start and continue through the end of the year. The district One Act Play will be performed on Saturday, March 7th, and spring break is March 16th through 20th. STAAR testing will be April 8th, 15th, 20th, and 28th.

C. Instructional Update

Mrs. Purl shared the middle of the year MAPS testing results that showed comparisons to the beginning of the year test. She highlighted areas of growth and where more focus needs to be placed. Teachers held spring conferences with the parents of students who show deficiencies or not making progress.

11. Dean of Students Report

A. Dual Credit Update

Ms. Bleeker shared a comparison of three dual credit programs available through Weatherford College, McMurry University, and UT Austin OnRamps. Huckabay students in dual credit classes are currently enrolled through Weatherford college and the cost is approximately \$400 for a three-credit hour course. Mrs. Bleeker would like to move the dual credit offerings to McMurry University and UT Austin OnRamps in 2026-2027. Each of these programs would cost students approximately \$200 for a three-credit hour course, and \$300 for a four-hour credit lecture/lab through McMurry. McMurry courses are all online while OnRamps courses are taught by HISD staff once they receive required training.

B. College, Career, and Military Ready Update

Ms. Bleeker spoke on CTE/CCMR Industry Based Certifications and the three career pathways available at HISD; Health Science, Audio Visual Technology, and Agriculture. The pathways have seven programs of study, and within each study the students are required to take a sequence of four TEA approved courses. Students are required to take a pretest and score 70% or higher to sit in on an exam to gain the certification. There are 83 total students in grades 9 through 12 and, to date, 67 certifications have been earned. A school district receives funding based on the number of students who complete the program study required credits. For the 2024-2025 school year Huckabay had 100% of graduate student that earned the completion.

12. Discussion Item(s)

A recess from the regular meeting started at 8:13 PM and was reconvened at 8:33 PM.

A. 2026-2027 Pre-K Tuition

Mr. Corzine presented a cost analysis that detailed the current teacher cost for HISD to have a prekindergarten class to the cost of the program if tuition was charged to non-qualifying students at the cost of \$300-\$350 per month for ten months. Discussion was held on the advantages and disadvantages.

B. Review and Discuss RFQ Design-Build Packets

Four RFQ design build packets were received for the renovation of the old ag building. One company was a large firm from McKinney that would not serve the needs of HISD due to cost. A second company did not qualify as a design-build firm. Mr. Corzine will seek proposals from the two remaining companies, JWA Contractor and Bounds Commercial Construction, to be presented at a called meeting on March 9th.

13. Action Item(s)

A. Consideration and possible action regarding SB 11 of the 89th Texas legislature

Brett Thetford made a motion to decline to adopt a resolution described by Texas Education Code Section 25.0823(a-1).

Cindy Shipman seconded the motion.

All members in attendance voted unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Consider Approval of Region 10 Multi-Region Purchasing Cooperative

Betty Peterson made a motion to approve participation in the Region 10 Multi-Region Purchasing Cooperative.

AJ Squyres seconded the motion.

All members in attendance voted unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Consider Approval of Pre-Kindergarten Tuition for 2026-2027 School Year as Presented

AJ Squyres made a motion to approve prekindergarten tuition for the 2026-2027 school year at \$300 a month for ten months for non-qualifying students.

Brett Thetford seconded the motion.

Board members Cody Pike, Neil Culpepper, Brett Thetford, Betty Peterson, and AJ Squyres voted to approve the motion. Board member Cindy Shipman voted against the motion.

The motioned was approved.

D. Consider Approval of Resolution for Extension of Leave During an Inclement Weather Closure

Betty Peterson made a motion to approve a board resolution regarding an extension of leave during an inclement weather closure.

Brett Thetford seconded the motion.

All members in attendance voted unanimously to approve the motion.

14. Recess to Closed Session

Recess to closed session was at 9:27 PM. The closed session convened at 9:29 PM and adjourned at 10:00 PM. The open session reconvened at 10:00 PM.

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.

A. Personnel

15. Adjourn

The open meeting adjourned at 10:01 PM.

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)]