

The Board of Trustees of Denton Independent School District, State of Texas, met in a Special meeting at the Denton ISD Central Services building, 1307 N. Locust St., Denton, Texas, on Tuesday, January 20, 2026, at 5:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by President Barbara Burns who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Burns, Dunworth, English, Stafford and Wright

Board Members Absent: Sosa-Sanchez

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: O'Bara, Robinson, Smith

Pledges The Pledges to the flags were led by staff.

Consent Agenda Motion by Sheryl English and seconded by Tanya Wright

To approve (the minutes of the January 13, 2026 board meeting; Matters related to personnel; Approval of leaves and absences; and HB 3372 Outside Employment Disclosure(s)).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Closed Meeting The Board convened into Closed Session for the Superintendent Evaluation at 5:01 PM.

Open Meeting The Board reconvened into Open Session at 7:43 PM.

Sheryl English made a motion that the Board of Trustees authorize the Superintendent to engage Richard Hayes with the law firm of Hayes, Berry, White, & Vanzant LLP to represent Denton ISD in the matter of Charles v. Denton ISD, TEA Docket Number 051-R6-01-2026 and to execute any agreements or documents necessary in the District's defense. Motion was seconded by Buddy Dunworth.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

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President

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Secretary