

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees Huntsville ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Huntsville ISD was held Thursday, July 17, 2025, beginning at 6:01 PM at the Hawkins Administration Building located at 441 FM 2821 E., Huntsville, Texas 77320.

Board Members Present	Ken Holland , President; Tracy Stoudt, Vice-President; Cathay Schweitzer, Secretary; Amanda Burris, J.T. Langley, Rissie Owens, and John Hendricks
Others Present	Marcus Forney, Deputy Superintendent, Nkrumah Dixon, Asst. Superintendent, Paul Brown, Chief Financial Officer, Josh Campbell Asst. Superintendent, and Paul Trevino, Asst. Superintendent
PUBLIC NOTICE Item I-B	Dr. Sheppard certified that public notice of the Board Meeting was given in accordance with the provision of Section 551.002 et. Seq. of the Texas Government Code.
INVOCATION Item II-A	John Hendricks
PLEDGES Item II-B	Pledges were led by Shannon Hollis
BOARD OF TRUSTEE COMMENTS Item III-A	Mr. JT Langley announced that he would be retiring and will not run for another term. Other members gave thanks to him for his service and dedication. Following Langley's heartfelt remarks, several board members and the superintendent expressed gratitude for his years of service and mentorship. Board members acknowledged the significant impact Langley has had on the district, underscoring his role in navigating difficult times and helping the community realize long-standing goals.
SUPERINTENDENT BRIEFING Item IV-A	Dr. Sheppard gave highlights from Leadership Retreat. He gave thanks to the Admin team and Board of Trustees for a job well done. Dr. Shepard praised the quality and engagement of the district's leadership team and noted the invaluable contributions from internal administrators, emphasizing the strength of local talent. He remarked on the supportive nature of the HISD school board, contrasting it with the political turmoil faced by other districts, and thanked members for their trust and governance.
MONTHLY DIGITAL REPORT Item V	The monthly digital report produced by Matthew Lahey was viewed highlighting New Coordinator of Health and human Wellness

BRIEF RECESS Item VI	None
PUBLIC COMMENT Item VII	None
ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION CONSENT AGENDA Item VIII (1-10)	<p>Rissie Owens made a motion to approve the consent agenda which consisted of minutes of Board meeting held on June 17, 2025, monthly financials, Joint Election Agreement, Trustee Election Order for November 04, 2025, TASB Worker's Compensation Renewal, Principal Coaching and Mentoring Program, Purchase of HISD building/canopy deck, Bid Acceptance for Career Tech supplies, Music supplies/Instruments, Awards, incentives, and spirit items, Awards, incentives, spirit items, Athletic/PE supplies/equipment, Resolution#25-17: Bank Depository Contract, and Delegate Assembly representation for 2025.</p> <p>Cathy Schweitzer seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.</p> <p>Amanda Burris made a motion to approve Dr. Sheppard's proposed updates to the 2025-2026 Compensation Plan/Hiring Schedule.</p>
REPORT/DISCUSSION INFORMATION Item XI -A	A. Bond Projects Update-written only
NEXT MEETING/ EVENT NOTICE Item XII	<p>A. Budget Workshop: August 7, 2025 @ 6:00 PM</p> <p>B. Regular Board Meeting August 21, 2025 @ 6:00 PM</p>
CLOSED SESSION Item XIII	The Board adjourned to Closed Session @ 6:24pm and reconvened to Open Session @ 7:32 pm
ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION Item XII	<p>Amanda Burris made a motion to approve employee contracts and new hires.</p> <p>John Hendricks second the motion. The motion passed 7-0.</p>
ADJOURNMENT Item XIII	There being no other business on the agenda, the Board adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:32 pm.

Ken Holland, Board President

Cathy Schweitzer, Board Secretary
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