

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Argyle ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Argyle ISD was held Monday, **May 18, 2026**, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Argyle ISD Board Room, 6701 Canyon Falls Dr, Flower Mound, TX 76226.

Board Members Present at Call to Order: Sam Slaton, Board President; Craig Hawkesworth, Vice President; Matt Slaton, Board Secretary; Rich McDowell; Dr. Leona McDade; Josh Westrom; Leigh Ann Artho.

New Trustees waiting to be installed: Frank Dixon, Justin Ford

Argyle ISD Staff Present: Dr. Courtney Carpenter, Superintendent; Dr. Chris Daniel, Deputy Superintendent; Dr. Dawn Jordan, Assistant Superintendent; Liz Stewart, CFO; Rick Herrin, CCO; Greg Royar, CTO; Yvolene McGarvey, Administrative Assistant; Shannon Knowles, AHS Principal; Lauren Tullos, JRE Principal; Dona Lumsden, AMS Principal; Heather Van Noy, 6thGC Principal; Katie Hayden, AWE Principal; Holly Williams, Hilltop Elementary Principal; Whitney Wheeler, GMS Principal; Hillary Laird, HT Asst. Principal; Kaitlyn McQuire, AHS Counselor; Jeff Koehn, AISD Construction Manager, Rola Fadel, AISD Construction; Tommy Ledford, Executive Director of Operations; Chris Saylor, AISD Digital Content Specialist; Nathan Moses, AISD Energy Management

1. 5:00pm. Call to Order - Determine if a Quorum is Present
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags
~ Argyle West Elementary ~
3. Prayer
4. Recognition
~ Aspiring Leaders 2026-27 Cohort ~
5. 5:41pm Recess for Recognition & Reception ~
Sam Slaton, Served as Trustee 2017 – 2026
Craig Hawkesworth, Served as Trustee 2014 – 2026
6. 5:58pm Install Elected Trustees ~ Administer the Oath of Office
Place 1 - Justin Ford
Place 2 - Leigh Ann Artho
Place 3 - Frank Dixon

6:04pm. Board adjourned to Executive Session

7. Executive Session as authorized by Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E:
 - A. PERSONNEL MATTERS & PUBLIC OFFICERS: To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, including Board members, or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.074).
 1. Personnel Report
 - B. REAL PROPERTY: To deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the Board's position in negotiations with a third person. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.072)
 - C. LEGAL COUNSEL: To consult with its attorney when the Board seeks advice about pending or contemplated litigation or a settlement offer, or when the attorney will have an ethical duty of confidentiality. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.071).
 - D. STUDENT & EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE: involving discipline of a public school child; or in which a complaint or charge is brought against an employee of the school district by another employee and the complaint or charge directly results in a need for a hearing. Subsection (a) does not apply if an open hearing is requested in writing by a parent or guardian of the child or by the employee against whom the complaint or charge is brought. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.082)
 - E. PHYSICAL SAFETY & SECURITY: To deliberate the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices, or to deliberate a security audit. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.076)
 - F. CYBER SECURITY: Security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology; network security information as described by Section 2059.055(b); or the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.089)
 - G. PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION ABOUT PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT: To deliberate a matter regarding a public school student, if personally identifiable information about the student will necessarily be revealed by the deliberation unless an open meeting about the matter is requested in writing by the student's parent (Tex. Gov't Code 551.0821)

8. Public Forum/Comments to the Board. For Regular Board Meetings, the Board will hear public comments regarding agenda and non-agenda items. (limit 5 minutes each or 30 minutes total)

9. Organization of the Board

Election of Officers ~ President, Vice President, Secretary

Matt Slaton opened the floor for nomination for Board President. Josh Westrom nominated Matt Slaton for Board President. Dr. Leona McDade nominated Leigh Ann Artho for Board President.

Board voted 4 – 3 in favor of Artho for President

For: Matt Slaton
Westrom Yea

For: Leigh Ann Artho
Westrom Nay

McDowell	Yea
Slaton	Yea
Artho	Nay
McDade	Nay
Ford	Nay
Dixon	Nay

McDowell	Nay
Slaton	Nay
Artho	Yea
McDade	Yea
Ford	Yea
Dixon	Yea

President Artho opened the nominations for Board Vice President. Josh Westrom nominated Matt Slaton for Vice President. Leigh Ann Artho nominated Dr. Leona McDade.

Board voted 4 – 3 in favor of Leona McDade for Vice President

For: Matt Slaton

Westrom	Yea
McDowell	Yea
Slaton	Yea
Artho	Nay
McDade	Nay
Ford	Nay
Dixon	Nay

For: Leona McDade

Westrom	Nay
McDowell	Nay
Slaton	Nay
Artho	Yea
McDade	Yea
Ford	Yea
Dixon	Yea

President Artho opened the nominations for Board Secretary. Justin Ford nominated Matt Slaton for Secretary. Leona McDade nominated Justin Ford for Secretary. Board voted 5-2 in favor of Matt Slaton for Secretary

For: Matt Slaton

Westrom	Yea
McDowell	Yea
Slaton	Nay
Artho	Yea
McDade	Nay
Ford	Yea
Dixon	Yea

For: Justin Ford

Westrom	Nay
McDowell	Nay
Slaton	Nay
Artho	Nay
McDade	Yea
Ford	Nay
Dixon	Nay

10. Consider and take any action deemed necessary upon discussion in closed meeting

11. Consent Items

- A. Minutes
- B. Donations
- C. General Operating Checks and Financial Reports
- D. Region 11 Contracts
- E. Denton ISD MOU 26-27

- 1. Matt Slaton made a motion that the Board approve consent items as presented
- 2. Frank Dixon seconded
- 3. Board voted 7-0

Artho	Yea
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McDade	Yea
Slaton	Yea
Westrom	Yea
McDowell	Yea
Ford	Yea
Dixon	Yea

12. Reports

- A. Construction Report
- B. Superintendent Report
- C. HB 1481 Personal Communication Device Ban - Data Report
- D. Stadium Operations & Marketing Plan

13. Information Only

- A. Budget Amendment #4
- B. Purchases Above \$100,000 CH (local) - May 2026
- C. Update to DOI

14. Discussion/Action Items

A. Consider and Approve Contractor Selection for BB/SB Renovation at AMS

- 1. Josh Westrom made a motion that the Board approve action item 14-A as presented
- 2. Matt Slaton seconded
- 3. Board voted 7-0

Artho	Yea
McDade	Yea
Slaton	Yea
Westrom	Yea
McDowell	Yea
Ford	Yea
Dixon	Yea

B. Consider and Approve CMAR Middle School 2

- 1. Josh Westrom made a motion that the Board approve action itme 14-B as presented
- 2. Justin Ford seconded
- 3. Board voted 7-0

Artho	Yea
McDade	Yea
Slaton	Yea
Westrom	Yea
McDowell	Yea
Ford	Yea
Dixon	Yea

C. Consider approval of Purchases Above \$100,000 CH (local)

1. Dr. Leona McDade made a motion that the Board approve action item 14-C as presented

2. Josh Westrom seconded

3. Board voted 7-0

Artho	Yea
McDade	Yea
Slaton	Yea
Westrom	Yea
McDowell	Yea
Ford	Yea
Dixon	Yea

D. Consider and Approve Waste Management Services

1. Frank Dixon made a motion that the Board approve action item 14-D as presented

2. Josh Westrom seconded

3. Board voted 7-0

Artho	Yea
McDade	Yea
Slaton	Yea
Westrom	Yea
McDowell	Yea
Ford	Yea
Dixon	Yea

15. 8:35pm President Artho adjourned the Board back to Executive Session

9:44pm – President Artho adjourned the meeting with no further action.

Leigh Ann Artho,
Board President

Matt Slaton,
Board Secretary