

Minutes of the May 19, 2025, Regular Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees

Denver City Independent School District

A Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Denver City Independent School District was held Monday, May 19, 2025, beginning at 6:15 PM in the Board Room of the Denver City Independent School District, 501 Mustang Ave. Denver City, TX.

Members present: Brad Woosley, Cecil Robles, Eloy Gutierrez, Cody Ellison, Danny Escalante, and Alan Peters

Members Absent: Bo Wells

School Personnel Present: Rick Martinez, Esmeralda Rodriguez, Taunya Campbell, Elizabeth Calk, Kristi Ivy, and Lisa Robinson

Visitors Present: Sara Ortega and David Escalante

Board President Danny Escalante called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:15 PM and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and Texas Flag. Cody Ellison led the invocation

Taunya Campbell administered the Oath of Office to re-elected Board member Brad Woosley. Board President Danny Escalante then turned the meeting over to Superintendent Rick Martinez for reorganization of the board. Mr. Martinez called for nominations for the office of President of the Board. Cecil Robles nominated Cody Ellison. There being no further nominations, motion was made by Cecil Robles and seconded by Brad Woosley to elect Cody Ellison. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Martinez called for nominations for the office of Vice President of the Board. Danny Escalante nominated Alan Peters. There being no further nominations, motion was made by Danny Escalante and seconded by Brad Woosley to elect Alan Peters. Mr. Martinez called for nominations for the office of Secretary of the Board. Cody Ellison nominated Bo Wells. There being no further nominations, motion was made by Cody Ellison and seconded by Alan Peters to keep Bo Wells as Secretary of the Board.

There was no public discussion.

Superintendent Rick Martienz called for District Recognition, Presentation of the Media Honor Roll Award. David Escalante with DJE media, Eloy Gutierrez with wtx.snaps, and Bo Wells with Denver City Sports, KIKZ 1250AM, have been named to the 2025 media honor Roll, a program sponsored by the Texas Association of School boards (TASB). The Media honor Roll recognizes media representatives from more than 450 Texas newspapers, radio and television stations, and online publications were honored by their local school districts.

Sara Ortega, Dodson Elementary Custodian, was presented with the Safe Employee Recognition Award by Elizabeth Calk.

Motion was made by Brad Woosley and seconded by Alan Peters to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 28, 2025. The motion carried unanimously.

The following informational items were presented for perusal of the Board: Financial Report, Investments, Enrollment Report, Excalibur Report, and Utilities Report.

Motion was made by Cecil Robles and seconded by Danny Escalante to approve the Title I parent and Family Engagement Plan. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Brad Woosley and seconded by Cecil Robles to approve the Certification of Provision of Instructional materials Survey for 2025-2026. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Danny Escalante and seconded by Eloy Gutierrez to approve New Hires: Cristi Stephens-High School English, Carol Fifer-Kelley 3rd Grade, Kristi Hix-Dodson 2nd Grade,

David Barks-Maintenance. Resignations: Jenny McCray-High School, EOY, Jeremy Smith-Maintenance, EOY, John Speedy Faith-High School, EOY, Judith Lujan-Transportation, and Michaela-Kelley, 3rd Grade. Reassignments: Jody Keith from Kelley to High School Math, Michelle Rivera from Kelley to Dodson, Socoro Aguilera from High School to Kelley Special Education, and Lexee Dominguez from Dodson to Jr. High Science. Brad Woosley abstained on new hires.

Superintendent Rick Martinez reported on the following:

- STAAR Testing is complete, results will be available soon
- Summer rec preparations
- Community Advisory Team Meetings
- Next Board Meeting scheduled for June 16, 2025

At 6:38 PM, motion was made by Alan Peters and seconded by Brad Woosley to go into closed session. The motion carried unanimously.

The board reconvened in open session at 7:06 PM.

There being no further business, motion was made by Cecil Robles and seconded by Brad Woosley to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

Cody Ellison, School Board President

Approved: 06/16/2025

Bo Wells, Secretary of the Board