

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Argyle ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Argyle ISD was held Monday, **November 17, 2025**, 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

Argyle ISD Staff Present: Dr. Courtney Carpenter, Superintendent; Deputy Superintendent; Dr. Dawn Jordan, Assistant Superintendent; Liz Stewart, CFO; Rick Herrin, CCO; Greg Royar, CTO; Yvolene McGarvey, Administrative Assistant; Shannon Knowles, AHS Principal; Dona Lumsden, AMS Principal; Holly Williams, Hilltop Principal; Hillary Laird, Hilltop Asst. Principal; Jeff Koehn, Construction Manager; Chris Saylor, Digital Content Specialist; Tommy Ledford, Executive Director of Operations; Jason Bird, AHS Band Director, Todd Rodgers, AISD Athletic Director
Dr. Chris Daniel, Deputy Superintendent was absent

1. 5:00pm. Call to Order - Determine if a Quorum is Present
2. 5:01pm. 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).
 - 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)
 1. Resolution authorizing the purchase of real property legally described as approximately 50 acres located in Block A of White Rock Farm Addition, an Addition to the City of Argyle, Denton County, Texas, according to the Replat thereof recorded in Cabinet O, Page 286, Plat Records of Denton County, Texas.
 - 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)

6:10pm – Return from Executive Session

3. Recognitions

Argyle South Elementary PTA: Highest Growth Percentage of Membership Year-Over-Year in the State of Texas

PTA President - Casey Tidwell and PTA Board

4. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags

~ Led by Argyle ISD Veteran – Trustee Rich McDowell

5. Opening Prayer

6. Public Hearing on the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) - District Status Report

7. 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)

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

A. Consider approval of the Resolution authorizing the purchase of real property legally described as approximately 50 acres located in Block A of White Rock Farm Addition, an Addition to the City of Argyle, Denton County, Texas, according to the Replat thereof recorded in Cabinet O, Page 286, Plat Records of Denton County, Texas.

1. Josh Westrom made a motion that the Board approve closed session item 8-A as presented.

2. Rich McDowell seconded

3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
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Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
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Matt Slaton	Yea
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Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

B. Consider and Approve Resolution for Candidates for the 2025 Denton CAD Board of Directors

1. Matt Slaton made a motion that the Board approve action item 8-B as presented
2. Dr. Leona McDade seconded
3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

9. Consent Items

- A. Minutes
- B. Donations
- C. General Operating Checks and Financial Reports
- D. Region 10 ESC Multi-Region Purchasing Cooperative SY 26-27
- E. TWU MOU
- F. Consider approval of the Annual Investment Report
- G. Review and Act Upon Investment Policy
- H. Consider Approval of Authorized Brokers
- I. Consider Approval of Resolution Approving Independent Sources of Instruction Relating to the Investment Responsibilities

1. Craig Hawkesworth made the motion that the Board approve consent items as presented
2. Leigh Ann Artho seconded
3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

10. Reports

- A. Construction Report
- B. Superintendent Report

11. Information Only

- A. Substitute Teacher Pay
- B. Additional SPED Aides
- C. Purchase above \$100,000 CH (local) -Vehicle Purchase
- D. Purchase above \$100,000 CH (local) - AP Exams
- E. Purchase above \$100,000 CH (local) — Turf Replacement at all fields on the 377 campus
- F. Budget Amendment
- G. CW (LOCAL) Considerations for the Naming of New Schools
- H. Considerations for the Naming of Mascot & Colors of Middle School and High School #2

12. Discussion/Action Items

A. Consider for Approval 2026-2027 New Course Proposals

1. Matt Slaton made a motion that the Board approve action item 12-A as presented
2. Dr. Leona McDade seconded
3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

B. Consider Approval of Purchase above \$100,000 CH (local) - Bus Purchase

1. Craig Hawkesworth made a motion that the Board approve action item 12-B as presented
2. Leigh Ann Artho seconded
3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea
Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

C. Consider Approval of Purchase above \$100,000 CH (local) — Staff Device Refresh

1. Matt Slaton made a motion that the Board approve action item 12-C as presented
2. Rich McDowell seconded
3. Board voted 7-0

Sam Slaton	Yea
Craig Hawkesworth	Yea
Matt Slaton	Yea
Dr. Leona McDade	Yea
Josh Westrom	Yea

Leigh Ann Artho	Yea
Rich McDowell	Yea

13. 8:52pm President Sam Slaton adjourned the Board back to Executive Session

14. 9:48pm President Slaton adjourned the meeting. No further action taken.

Sam Slaton,
Board President

Matt Slaton,
Board Secretary