

Agenda of Meeting
Midlothian ISD
Board of Trustees Special Meeting

L.A. Mills Administration Building
100 Walter Stephenson Road
Midlothian, Texas 76065

Monday, November 18, 2024 – 8:00 AM

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Midlothian ISD will be held Monday, November 18, 2024, beginning at 8:00 AM.

The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed on the agenda, which is attached to, and made a part of this Notice. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice.

The open portions of this meeting will be streamed live and recorded. The video will be made available to the public on the District’s website.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Public comments related to this meeting will be accepted in person only in accordance with the Open Meetings Act and Local District Policy, BED(LOCAL). Members of the public wishing to address the Board during the public comment portion of this regular meeting shall be limited to five minutes, or less, should a change to the allotted time be necessary as determined by the presiding officer based on the meeting.

In-person participants must either sign up online by 4:00 pm the day of the meeting or sign in and complete a "Public Comment Participation Form" and present it to the Board President or designee 10 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. If a completed form for public comment is not received by the applicable deadline posted, the individual will not be able to participate in public comment at this meeting.

In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Board Members will listen to the comments. The Board, through the presiding officer or Superintendent, can offer factual information, cite Board policy, or direct the administration to investigate items and report back to the Board, but shall not engage in a two-way dialogue with patrons.

- I. **FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS**
 - A. Announcement by the presiding officer that a quorum of Board members is present, that the meeting has been duly called, and that notice of the meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551
- II. **PUBLIC COMMENT - Members of the public may address the Board during the public comment portion of the board meeting in accordance with Board policy BED (LOCAL). Individuals wishing to speak shall follow the procedures outlined above.**
- III. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**
 - A. Canvass the November 5, 2024 Special Election 3
 - B. Consider Adopting the 2024 Tax Rate 10
- IV. **CLOSED SESSION as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.**

- A. Discussion of Personnel, Texas Government Codes 551.074 - Resignations, Terminations, and Non-renewals of Professional Employees, Employment, Leaves of Absences, Personnel Issues
- V. **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**
- VI. **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

If, during the course of the meeting covered by this Notice, the Board of Trustees should determine that a closed meeting or session of the Board of Trustees is required, then such closed meeting or session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq., will be held by the School Board at the date, hour, and place given in this Notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this Notice as the School Board may conveniently meet in such closed meeting or session concerning any and all purposes permitted by the Act, including, but not limited to the following sections and purposes:

Texas Government Code Section:

- 551.071 Private consultation with the board's attorney.
- 551.072 Discussing purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
- 551.073 Discussing negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations.
- 551.074 Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel.
- 551.075 To confer with employees of the school district to receive information or to ask questions.
- 551.076 Considering the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel, or devices.
- 551.082 Considering discipline of a public school child, or complaint or charge against personnel.
- 551.0821 Discussing personally identifiable information about a public school student.
- 551.083 Considering the standards, guidelines, terms, or conditions the board will follow, or will instruct its representatives to follow, in consultation with representatives of employees groups.
- 551.084 Excluding witnesses from a hearing.

Should any final action, final decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the school Board with regard to any matter considered in such closed meeting or session, then the final action, final decision, or final vote shall be either:

- (a) in the open meeting covered by the Notice upon the reconvening of the public meeting; or
- (b) at a subsequent public meeting of the School Board upon notice thereof; as the School Board shall determine.

**Midlothian ISD
BOARDBOOK TEMPLATE**

Board Meeting Date:	November 18, 2024	
Agenda Item:	Canvass of the November 5, 2024 Voter Approved Tax Rate Election	
Agenda Location:	DISCUSSION/ACTION: GOVERNANCE	
Template Attachments:	Yes	PDF
If yes, then select what applies:	N/A	N/A
Link to the presentation:	No presentation for this item.	
Background Information	<p>WHY: The special election for the Midlothian ISD Voter Approved Tax Rate Election was held on Nov. 5, 2024.</p> <p>WHAT: This agenda item is to fulfill the requirement to canvass the election prior to November 19, 2024.</p>	
Strategic Priority: (Primary)	Priority 4: District Operations and financial Stewardship	
Performance Objective: (Primary)	4.1 Systematic Long-range Facility Management	
Strategic Priority: (Secondary - if needed)	Priority 3: Culture, Cimate and Safety	
Performance Objective: (Secondary - if needed)	3.2 Strive to Be a Listening and Learning Organization Aligned with Stakeholder Engagement	
Legal Reference: (1) / (2)		
Policy Reference: (1) / (2)	BBB-BOARD MEMBERS - ELECTIONS	
Fiscal Impact/Budget Function Code:		
Administration Recommendation	Administration recommends the approval of the agenda item as presented.	
Motion:	A motion might be, "I make a motion that the Resolution Canvassing Returns and Declaring the Results of the Voter Approved Tax Rate Election held in the Midlothian Independent School District on November 5, 2024 be approved as presented."	
Presenter:	David Belding, Ed.D.	
	Superintendent	



ELLIS COUNTY ELECTIONS

Jana Onyon, CERA
Elections Administrator

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Midlothian ISD Special Election November 5, 2024 Election Returns

I, Jana Onyon, Ellis County Elections Administrator, do hereby certify the following official results to be a true and correct tally for the November 5, 2024 election results for the canvassing authority.

Precincts Counted	21
Registered Voters	42,534
Ballots Cast	31,187
Voter Turnout	73.32%

Witness my hand and seal this 13th day of November 2024.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jana Onyon", written over a horizontal line.

Jana Onyon, Elections Administrator



Midlothian ISD Summary Results Report
Special Election
November 5, 2024

OFFICIAL RESULTS FOR CANVASS




Ellis County, Texas

Statistics

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
Registered Voters - Total	42,534			
Ballots Cast - Total	31,187	599	26,153	4,435
Voter Turnout - Total	73.32%			

Midlothian ISD - Proposition A

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	VOTE %		Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	12,312	42.67%		231	10,509	1,572
Against	16,544	57.33%		275	13,865	2,404
Total Votes Cast	28,856	100.00%		506	24,374	3,976
Overvotes	0			0	0	0
Undervotes	2,331			93	1,779	459
Contest Totals	31,187			599	26,153	4,435

	STATISTICS		
	Registered Voters - Total	Ballots Cast - Total	Voter Turnout - Total
1027 -5167	2	1	50%
1033 -5190	2,818	2,154	76.44%
1034-5195	4,335	3,243	74.81%
1035-5197	1,991	1,190	59.77%
1036-5200	4,250	3,067	72.16%
1037-5201	2,405	1,822	75.76%
1038-5204	5,074	3,943	77.71%
1039-5208	3,890	2,504	64.37%
1040 -5209	395	318	80.51%
1041 -5216	2,540	1,969	77.52%
1043 -5229	3,451	2,600	75.34%
1055 -5300	1,407	1,135	80.67%
1055 -5302	79	60	75.95%
1056 -5305	3,075	2,388	77.66%
1056 -5307	11	10	90.91%
1057 -5310	3,907	2,945	75.38%
1057 -5314	777	474	61%
1057 -5317	2	1	50%
1058 -5318	2,072	1,324	63.9%
1058 -5324	5	5	100%
1059 -5335	48	34	70.83%
Totals	42,534	31,187	

	Midlothian ISD - Proposition A					
	VOTE FOR 1					
	For	Against	Total Votes Cast	Overvotes	Undervotes	Contest Total
1027 -5167	1	0	1	0	0	1
1033 -5190	892	1,130	2,022	0	132	2,154
1034-5195	1,289	1,737	3,026	0	217	3,243
1035-5197	462	603	1,065	0	125	1,190
1036-5200	1,237	1,578	2,815	0	252	3,067
1037-5201	775	942	1,717	0	105	1,822
1038-5204	1,618	2,079	3,697	0	246	3,943
1039-5208	1,024	1,227	2,251	0	253	2,504
1040 -5209	109	191	300	0	18	318
1041 -5216	736	1,113	1,849	0	120	1,969
1043 -5229	936	1,474	2,410	0	190	2,600
1055 -5300	453	598	1,051	0	84	1,135
1055 -5302	15	38	53	0	7	60
1056 -5305	1,033	1,209	2,242	0	146	2,388
1056 -5307	2	6	8	0	2	10
1057 -5310	1,075	1,632	2,707	0	238	2,945
1057 -5314	164	258	422	0	52	474
1057 -5317	0	1	1	0	0	1
1058 -5318	477	705	1,182	0	142	1,324
1058 -5324	1	3	4	0	1	5
1059 -5335	13	20	33	0	1	34
Totals	12,312	16,544	28,856	0	2,331	31,187

RESOLUTION

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF ELLIS §

BE IT REMEMBERED, at a special meeting of the Midlothian ISD School Board, Midlothian, Texas, held on the 5th day of November, 2024, in a motion made by _____ and seconded by _____, the following Order was adopted:

WHEREAS, THE MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED IS THE CANVASSING AND CERTIFICATION OF THE RESULTS OF MIDLOTHIAN ISD ELECTION **RATIFYING THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE OF \$1.1069 IN THE MIDLOTHIAN ISD FOR THE CURRENT YEAR A RATE THAT WILL RESULT IN AN INCREASE OF 14.22% PERCENT IN MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS TAX REVENUE FOR THE DISTRICT FOR THE CURRENT YEAR AS COMPARED TO THE PRECEDING YEAR, WHICH IS AN ADDITIONAL \$7,750,999**, HELD IN MIDLOTHIAN, TEXAS, WITHIN ELLIS COUNTY ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024, (Election) FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTER APPROVED TAX RATE ELECTION THE RESULTS BEING AS FOLLOWS:

Midlothian ISD – Proposition A

For	12,312 total votes
Against	16,544 total votes
Total votes	28,856 total votes

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Midlothian Independent School District, in Midlothian, Texas, that the returns be certified and reported to the Texas Secretary of State in accordance with the Texas Election Code.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this the 18th day of November, 2024.

Gary Vineyard, Board President

Jessica Ward, Secretary

**Midlothian ISD
BOARDBOOK TEMPLATE**

Board Meeting Date:	November 18, 2024	
Agenda Item:	Consider the Adoption of the 2024-2025 Tax Rates	
Requires Board Action:	YES	
Agenda Location:	DISCUSSION/ACTION: BUSINESS AND FINANCE	
Template Attachments:	Yes	PDF
If yes, then select what applies:	PDF	PDF
Link to the presentation:	No presentation for this item.	
Background Information	<p>The Board of Trustees must annually set the Maintenance and Operations (M&O) and the Interest and Sinking (I&S) tax rates as indicated in the Texas Tax Code.</p> <p>The setting of the tax rate is accomplished by the approval of a Resolution to Adopt the 2024 Tax Rate. The District held a public hearing on June 17, 2024 to discuss the proposed budget and tax rate for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. Information used at that meeting was from the preliminary tax roll received from the Ellis County Appraisal District on May 1, 2024. Prior to that meeting, the required publications in the newspaper as well as the website were posted. The district held an additional public hearing on August 19, 2024 to discuss the proposed tax rate and the Board of Trustees adopted a rate that exceeded the voter-approval tax rate, which required a subsequent election. That tax rate was not approved by voters, so the board cannot adopt that rate and must adopt a new rate.</p> <p>The District's voter-approval tax rate for M&O is \$0.6669/\$100 valuation for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. This is the highest M&O rate the district can adopt at this time.</p> <p>MISD Administration recommends adopting the tax rate of \$1.0769 which is made up of \$0.6669 for the M&O tax rate and \$0.41 for the I&S tax rate. This is a total tax rate reduction of \$0.0323 or 2.91% from last year's tax rate. "Truth in Taxation" rules require taxing entities to compare their proposed rate against what is called the "no new revenue tax rate." This is the tax rate that would produce the same tax revenue in the coming year as was available in the prior year. The no new revenue rate for MISD is \$1.007018 which is \$0.06988 lower than the proposed tax rate.</p>	
Strategic Priority: <i>(Primary)</i>	Priority 4: District Operations and Financial Stewardship	
Performance Objective: <i>(Primary)</i>	4.3 Commitment to Financial Stewardship	
Strategic Priority: <i>(Secondary - if needed)</i>		
Performance Objective: <i>(Secondary - if needed)</i>		
Legal Reference: (1) / (2)		

Policy Reference: (1) / (2)	BAA-BOARD LEGAL STATUS - POWERS AND DUTIES	CCG-LOCAL REVENUE SOURCES - AD VALOREM TAXES
Fiscal Impact/Budget Function Code:		
Administration Recommendation	Administration recommends the approval of the agenda item as presented.	
Motion:	The motion language required is: "I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a total tax rate of \$1.0769, which is effectively a 6.94% increase in the total tax rate when compared to the "no new revenues" tax rate."	
Presenter:	Dr. Rebecca Metzger	
	District Leadership	

**MIDLOTHIAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Midlothian, Texas**

November 18, 2024

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2024-2025 TAX RATE

On this date, we, the Board of Trustees of the Midlothian Independent School District, hereby levy or set the tax rate on \$100 valuation for the District for the tax year of 2024 at a total rate of \$1.0769, to be assessed and collected by the duly specified assessor and collector as follows:

\$0.6669 for the purpose of maintenance and operations, and

\$0.4100 for the purpose of payment of principal and interest on the debts.

\$1.0769 total tax rate

Such taxes to be assessed and collected by the tax officials designated by the District. The tax officials so designated are the staff at the Ellis County Tax Office.

THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 1.92% PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$12.58.

Adopted this 18th day of November, 2024, by the Board of Trustees.

Gary Vineyard, President

ATTEST:

Jessica Ward, Secretary