Agenda of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees of Groesbeck ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Groesbeck ISD will be held Monday, September 21, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM in the GISD Administration Office Board Room, 1202 N Ellis, Groesbeck, TX 76642.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

II. **PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda/Non-Agenda Items)**

III. **LIMESTONE COUNTY TX FARM BUREAU TO PRESENT FFA MEMBER OF THE MONTH**

IV. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

IV.A. Deliberation Regarding Level III FNG(LOCAL) Parent/Student Complaint (Tex. Gov't 551.082)

V. **RECONVENE IN OPEN MEETING**

VI. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION**

VI.A. Consideration and Possible Action on Level III FNG(LOCAL) Parent/Student

VII. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON DISTRICT FACILITY PLANNING AND PROJECTS**

VIII. **DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION SELECTING PROCUREMENT AND/OR DELIVERY METHOD, CONTRACTOR, AND DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT TO NEGOTIATE NECESSARY CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS FOR THE H. O. WHITEHURST INTERCOM SYSTEM PROJECT**

GROESBECK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT'S RESOLUTION REGARDING SELECTION OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR, AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO SUPERINTENDENT

WHEREAS, the Groesbeck Independent School District (the "District" or "Groesbeck ISD") is undertaking H. O. Whitehurst Intercom System Project (collectively the "Project"); and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the District (the "Board") previously selected Construction Manager-at-Risk as the delivery method for the District's 2025 Bond Project, which included the H. O. Whitehurst Intercom System Project; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the District to remove the Project from the Construction Manager-at-Risk delivery method and that selection of a different delivery method for the Project is necessary at this time; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that Competitive Bidding is the delivery method that provides the best value for the Project and is in the best interests of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the District to delegate certain authority to the District's Superintendent of Schools.

WHEREAS, the Board has delegated authority to the District's Superintendent of Schools or his designee the authority to develop any procurement and solicitation documents, as necessary per Texas law, including establishing criteria to be given to such criteria to request proposals, bids, or qualifications, as applicable for a Contractor; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with that authority, the Superintendent of Schools solicited proposals for a Contractor through a one-step process in accordance with Texas law, received proposals and ranked the proposals based on criteria in conjunction with the proposal evaluation committee; and

WHEREAS, the order of ranking as approved by the proposal evaluation committee has been provided to the Board at this duly noticed and called meeting for the Board's consideration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF GROESBECK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

1. It is found that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and are hereby adopted as findings of fact by the Board of Trustees of Groesbeck Independent School District.

2. The Board hereby accepts and approves the order of ranking of the Contractor proposers for the Project as presented by the proposal evaluation committee.

3. The Board further determines that _____ is the highest ranking Contractor proposer and affirms that _____ submitted the proposal that offers the best value for the District for the H. O. Whitehurst Intercom System Project based on the selection criteria and the District's ranking evaluation.

4. The Board further delegates to the District's Superintendent of Schools the authority to negotiate the necessary contracts/agreements for the Project.

5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

PASSED, ADOPTED, and APPROVED on this 21st day of September, 2026, by the Board of Trustees of the Groesbeck Independent School District by the following vote:

Board Members	**Aye**	**No**	**Abstain**	**Absent**
Aslone Foy	_____	_____	_____	_____
Jim Longbotham	_____	_____	_____	_____
Bridgett Jackson-Tatum	_____	_____	_____	_____
Sindra McLean	_____	_____	_____	_____
Angela Crane	_____	_____	_____	_____
Jason Milstead	_____	_____	_____	_____
Stephen Bradley	_____	_____	_____	_____

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Aslone Foy
President, Board of Trustee

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Bridgett Jackson-Tatum
Secretary, Board of Trustees

IX. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

IX.A. Minutes of Previous Board Meeting

Regular Board Meeting
MINUTES
08/24/2026
6:00 p.m.

Present: Aslone Foy, Jim Longbotham, Sindra McLean, Jason Milstead, Stephen Bradley, Angela Crane (6:06), Bridgett Jackson-Tatum (6:13).

Others: Scott Cummings, Teresa Battrick, Deana Rand, Evan Ditmore, Craig Champion, Kelley Copeland, Nicole Dawley.

Aslone Foy called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Jim Longbotham gave the Invocation.

Sindra McLean led the Pledges to the Flags.

Stephen Bradley read the District Mission Statement.

Public Comment: There were no public comments.

Scott Cummings presented Senate Bill 12 and Compliance. Motion by Jason Milstead, seconded by Sindra McLean to approve the 2026-2027 Senate Bill 12 Annual Certification of Compliance as required by Texas Education Code §39.008. Motion carried unanimously. Voting For: Aslone Foy, Jim Longbotham, Sindra McLean, Jason Milstead, Stephen Bradley, Angela Crane, Bridgett Jackson-Tatum.

Motion by Stephen Bradley, seconded by Jim Longbotham, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Motion carried unanimously. Voting For: Aslone Foy, Jim Longbotham, Jason Milstead, Stephen Bradley.

Adjourned: 6:05 p.m.

Regular Board Meeting
MINUTES
08/24/2026
6:05 p.m.

Aslone Foy called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Public Comment: There were no public comments.

Scott Cummings and Craig Champion gave an update on projects at HOW, contingency funds, timelines, and an update on the bus area.

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Scott Cummings presented bids received for the Kids Kare Academy Parking and Driveway Renovations Project and the Ag Barn Improvements. There were four companies that came and looked at the projects, and the district received three bids. A rubrix was completed, and the recommendation is for Champco. Motion by Stephen Bradley, seconded by Jason Milstead, that we adopt and approve the resolution pertaining to the Kids Kare Academy Parking and Driveway Renovations Project and Ag Barn Improvements. Motion carried unanimously. Voting For: Aslone Foy, Jim Longbotham, Sindra McLean, Jason Milstead, Stephen Bradley, Angela Crane, Bridgett Jackson-Tatum.

Melissa Smith presented the budget for the 2026-2027 school year. Currently in two audits: yearly audit and a child nutrition audit. Melissa Smith discussed a balanced budget with the impacts and changes of legislative to local and state funding for the 2026-27 school year. (Bridgett Jackson-Tatum entered the meeting) Discussed the Child Nutrition budget for next year and will need supplemented again. Discussed Federal Funds, Title I funds, and appropriations.

The public hearing to discuss the budget and proposed tax rate for 2026-27 was opened at 6:15 p.m. Scott Cummings stated that the tax rate adoption of a higher rate of 26 and three-quarters cents. There were no further comments or discussions. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:16 p.m.

Motion by Jim Longbotham, seconded by Sindra McLean, to approve the resolution to adopt the budget for the 2026-2027 school year as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Voting For: Aslone Foy, Jim Longbotham, Sindra McLean, Jason Milstead, Stephen Bradley, Angela Crane, Bridgett Jackson-Tatum.

Motion by Jim Longbotham, seconded by Stephen Bradley, that a proposed rate to pay debt service of $0.26750 per $100 of taxable value be approved. This rate exceeds the District's debt service rate determined under Section 44.004(c)(5)(A)(ii)(b), Education Code of, which is $0.20750 per $100 of taxable value, by $0.06000 per $100 of taxable value. The excess revenue collected from the proposed rate will be used for [accelerating the repayment of the District's outstanding indebtedness and establishing and maintaining reasonable debt service reserves]. I further move that the Board adopt the Resolution Approving a Debt Service Tax Rate in Excess of the Minimum Debt Service Tax Rate Pursuant to Section 26.05(a-1), Texas Tax Code. Motion carried unanimously. Voting For: Aslone Foy, Jim Longbotham, Sindra McLean, Jason Milstead, Stephen Bradley, Angela Crane, Bridgett Jackson-Tatum.

Motion by Jason Milstead, seconded by Stephen Bradley, that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of $0.97290, which is effectively a 5.78 percent increase in the tax rate. Motion carried unanimously. Voting For: Aslone Foy, Jim Longbotham, Sindra McLean, Jason Milstead, Stephen Bradley, Angela Crane, Bridgett Jackson-Tatum.

Melissa Smith presented the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit, which is a TEA requirement, should we fall back into recapture. Motion by Jason Milstead, seconded by Stephen Bradley, for the 2026-2027 school year, we delegated contractual authority to obligate the school district under Texas Education Code (TEC) §11.1511(c)(4) to the superintendent, solely for the purpose of obligating the district under TEC, §48.257 and TEC, Chapter 49,

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Subchapters A and D, and the rules adopted by the commissioner of education as authorized under TEC, 49.006. This included approval of the *Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit or the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit (Netting Chapter 48 Funding)*. Motion carried unanimously. Voting For: Aslone Foy, Jim Longbotham, Sindra McLean, Jason Milstead, Stephen Bradley, Angela Crane, Bridgett Jackson-Tatum.

Evan Ditmore presented the 2025-26 STAAR and End-of-Course data. Presentation included a comparison of the District with Region 12 and the State.

Evan Ditmore presented the 2026 Accountability Rating and explained the Domains 1, 2, and 3; growth measure and subscore. Groesbeck Middle School went from a C to a B and earned two two accountability distrinctions; Groesbeck High School went from a C to a B; the District went from a 73 to a 76; HO Whitehurst and Enge-Washington Intermediate stayed a D. One area is due to HOW not having a growth measure as third grade is the only testing grade on that campus. To view more reports visit txschools.gov.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Jason Milstead, seconded by Sindra McLean, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Voting For: Aslone Foy, Jim Longbotham, Sindra McLean, Jason Milstead, Stephen Bradley, Angela Crane.

A. Minutes of Previous Board Meeting
B. Budget Report and Amendments
C. End-of-Year Amendments
D. Donation(s)

There was no Executive Session.

Superintendent Comments: Student enrollment is 1406, which is down from last year. Team of Eight training in November, and reminder to complete parental rights board training, which is online.

Board President Comments: Aslone Foy stated the next regular board meeting is September 21.

Motion by Bridgett Jackson-Tatum, seconded by Angela Crane, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Motion carried unanimously. Voting For: Aslone Foy, Jim Longbotham, Jason Milstead, Stephen Bradley.

Adjourned: 7:06 p.m.

Aslone Foy, Board President	Bridgett Jackson-Tatum, Secretary	September 21, 2026 Date Approved

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IX.B. Budget Report and Amendments

Combined Funds Board Report
Combined Funds Recap by Fund
Groesbeck ISD

Comparison of Revenue to Budget
As of September

	Estimated Revenue	Current Realized Revenue	Realized Revenue To Date	Revenue Balance	Percent Realized
General Operating Funds					
199 / 7 - GENERAL FUND 5000	20,689,760.00	-7,227.23	-7,227.23	20,682,532.77	.03%
Totals 5000	**20,689,760.00**	**-7,227.23**	**-7,227.23**	**20,682,532.77**	**.03%**
Totals 7000	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00%**
Totals General Operating Funds	**20,689,760.00**	**-7,227.23**	**-7,227.23**	**20,682,532.77**	**.03%**
Special Revenue Funds					
211 / 7 - TITLE I, PART A 5000	480,615.00	.00	.00	480,615.00	.00%
214 / 7 - TITLE IV, PART A - SSAEP 5000	33,644.00	.00	.00	33,644.00	.00%
224 / 7 - IDEA - PART B, FORMULA 5000	351,609.00	.00	.00	351,609.00	.00%
225 / 7 - IDEA - PART B, PRESCHOOL 5000	7,336.00	.00	.00	7,336.00	.00%
240 / 7 - FOOD SERVICE 5000	905,254.00	-2,397.92	-2,397.92	902,856.08	.26%
240 / 7 - FOOD SERVICE 7000	50,000.00	.00	.00	50,000.00	.00%
244 / 7 - CAREER & TECHNICAL 5000	19,981.00	.00	.00	19,981.00	.00%
255 / 7 - TITLE II, PART A 5000	69,450.00	.00	.00	69,450.00	.00%
265 / 7 - ACE FEDERALLY FUNDED 5000	100,000.00	.00	.00	100,000.00	.00%
429 / 7 - STATE FUNDED 5000	390,716.62	.00	.00	390,716.62	.00%
Totals 5000	**2,358,605.62**	**-2,397.92**	**-2,397.92**	**2,356,207.70**	**.10%**
Totals 7000	**50,000.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**50,000.00**	**.00%**
Totals Special Revenue Funds	**2,408,605.62**	**-2,397.92**	**-2,397.92**	**2,406,207.70**	**.10%**
Interest & Sinking Funds					
511 / 7 - DEBT SERVICE 5000	3,936,750.00	.00	.00	3,936,750.00	.00%
Totals 5000	**3,936,750.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**3,936,750.00**	**.00%**
Totals 7000	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00%**
Totals Interest & Sinking Funds	**3,936,750.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**3,936,750.00**	**.00%**
Total Revenues 5000	**26,985,115.62**	**-9,625.15**	**-9,625.15**	**26,975,490.47**	**.04%**
Total Revenues 7000	**50,000.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**50,000.00**	**.00%**
Total Revenues	**27,035,115.62**	**-9,625.15**	**-9,625.15**	**27,025,490.47**	**.04%**

Comparison of Expenditures and Encumbrances to Budget
As of September

	Appropriation	Encumbrance	Current Expenditure	Expenditure	Balance	Percent Expended
General Operating Funds						
199 / 7 - GENERAL FUND 6000	-20,639,760.00	1,649,547.51	377,062.09	377,062.09	-18,613,150.40	1.83%
Totals 6000	**-20,639,760.00**	**1,649,547.51**	**377,062.09**	**377,062.09**	**-18,613,150.40**	**1.83%**
Totals 8000	**-50,000.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**-50,000.00**	**-.00%**
Totals General Operating Funds	**-20,689,760.00**	**1,649,547.51**	**377,062.09**	**377,062.09**	**-18,663,150.40**	**1.82%**
Special Revenue Funds						
211 / 7 - TITLE I, PART A 6000	-480,615.00	.00	.00	.00	-480,615.00	-.00%
214 / 7 - TITLE IV, PART A - SSAEP 6000	-33,644.00	28,001.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	-3,643.00	5.94%
224 / 7 - IDEA - PART B, FORMULA 6000	-351,609.00	100,882.69	.00	.00	-250,726.31	-.00%
225 / 7 - IDEA - PART B, PRESCHOOL 6000	-7,336.00	.00	.00	.00	-7,336.00	-.00%
240 / 7 - FOOD SERVICE 6000	-955,254.00	.00	.00	.00	-955,254.00	-.00%
244 / 7 - CAREER & TECHNICAL 6000	-19,981.00	.00	.00	.00	-19,981.00	-.00%
255 / 7 - TITLE II, PART A 6000	-69,450.00	399.00	.00	.00	-69,051.00	-.00%
265 / 7 - ACE FEDERALLY FUNDED 6000	-100,000.00	500.00	.00	.00	-99,500.00	-.00%
270 / 7 - TITLE V 6000	-10,000.00	.00	.00	.00	-10,000.00	-.00%
429 / 7 - STATE FUNDED 6000	-390,716.62	.00	.00	.00	-390,716.62	-.00%
Totals 6000	**-2,418,605.62**	**129,782.69**	**2,000.00**	**2,000.00**	**-2,286,822.93**	**.08%**
Totals 8000	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00%**
Totals Special Revenue Funds	**-2,418,605.62**	**129,782.69**	**2,000.00**	**2,000.00**	**-2,286,822.93**	**.08%**
Interest & Sinking Funds						
511 / 7 - DEBT SERVICE 6000	-3,936,750.00	.00	.00	.00	-3,936,750.00	-.00%
Totals 6000	**-3,936,750.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**-3,936,750.00**	**-.00%**
Totals 8000	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00%**
Totals Interest & Sinking Funds	**-3,936,750.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**-3,936,750.00**	**-.00%**
Construction Funds						
699 / 7 - CAPITAL PROJECTS 6000	-29,104,443.59	11,230,948.24	.00	.00	-17,873,495.35	-.00%
Totals 6000	**-29,104,443.59**	**11,230,948.24**	**.00**	**.00**	**-17,873,495.35**	**-.00%**
Totals 8000	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00%**
Totals Construction Funds	**-29,104,443.59**	**11,230,948.24**	**.00**	**.00**	**-17,873,495.35**	**-.00%**
Total Expenditures 6000	**-56,099,559.21**	**13,010,278.44**	**379,062.09**	**379,062.09**	**-42,710,218.68**	**.68%**
Total Expenditures 8000	**-50,000.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**.00**	**-50,000.00**	**-.00%**
Total Expenditures	**-56,149,559.21**	**13,010,278.44**	**379,062.09**	**379,062.09**	**-42,760,218.68**	**.68%**

IX.C. Tuition Paid Prekindergarten

GROESBECK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
1202 N Ellis ■ Groesbeck, Texas 76642-0559 ■ (254)729-4100 ■ Fax: (254)729-2391

September 15, 2026

Mike Morath
Commissioner of Education
Texas Education Agency
1701 North Congress Avenue
Austin, Texas 78701-1494

Subject: Request for Approval of Prekindergarten Tuition Rate

Dear Commissioner Morath:

Groesbeck Independent School District respectfully requests approval to charge tuition for ineligible students enrolled in the district's full-day prekindergarten program during the 2026-2027 school year. The proposed tuition rate is $540 per month from August through May, for a total annual tuition of $5,400 per student.

Explanation of Proposed Tuition Rate

The estimated annual cost of providing the full-day prekindergarten program is at least $5,400 per student. This estimate includes costs associated with teacher salaries, instructional materials, data collection, reporting, and other expenses necessary to operate the program.

Assurance

Groesbeck Independent School District hereby assures the Texas Education Agency that the proposed tuition rate does not exceed the district's cost of providing the full-day prekindergarten program.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you or members of your staff have any questions or require additional information, please contact me by phone at 254-729-4100 or by email at [insert email address].

Sincerely,

Scott Cummings
Superintendent of Schools
Groesbeck Independent School District

IX.D. Teacher Incentive Allotment (TIA) Revision

Teacher Incentive Allotment (TIA) Spending Plan

Distribution of Teacher Incentive Allotment (TIA) funds will comply with state law and Texas Education Agency **guidance (TEC Section 48.114 (i)(1)(A): A district shall annually certify that funds received under this section were used as follows: At least 90% of each allotment received will be used for the compensation of teachers employed at the campus at which the teacher for whom the district received the allotment is employed.** Funding for teachers designated as Recognized, Exemplary, and Master under TIA will flow to districts, which in turn must spend at least 90% of the funds on teacher compensation on the campuses where the designated teachers work. The remaining 10% will be used for the teacher's benefits, training and support of the system, teacher professional development, and ongoing development of TIA resources.

~~Groesbeck ISD does not participate in the TIA program, but if~~ If Groesbeck ISD employs a teacher who is a designated teacher under the Teacher Incentive Allotment (TIA), he or she will receive funds from Groesbeck ISD that are designated for the participating TIA teacher. The funds will be given to that teacher annually and distributed in ~~June~~ August, provided all information is received per TEA's published timelines.

TIA compensation amounts received will include typical reductions from the allotment received to cover the cost of TRS, on-behalf payments, Medicare, Workers' Compensation, and any other pertinent deductions. TIA compensation amounts will be included in the annual wages reported to the Teacher Retirement System (TRS) and will be used when calculating retirement benefits.

If a TIA designated teacher retires from GISD after the Class Roster Winter Submission, the teacher will receive the funding amount allocated to them based on the TIA approved by TEA. These funds will be paid prior to August 31st.

If a TIA designated teacher leaves GISD for reasons other than retirement after the Class Roster Winter Submission, the teacher will not receive the funding amount allocated to them based on the TIA approved by TEA. The TIA funds will be redistributed at the campus where the TIA designated teacher was employed at the Class Roster Winter Submission.

If a teacher eligible for a distribution from the shared TIA compensation pool retires from GISD after the Class Roster Winter Submission, the teacher will receive the funding amount allocated to them based on the TIA approved by TEA. These funds will be paid prior to August 31st.

If a teacher eligible for a distribution from the shared TIA compensation pool leaves GISD for reasons other than retirement after the Class Roster Winter Submission, the teacher will not receive the funding amount allocated to them based on the TIA approved by TEA. The TIA funds will be redistributed to the campus where the TIA designated teacher was employed at the Class Roster Winter Submission.

IX.E. Donation(s)

IX.F. Surplus

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

X.A. Review Recommendation for Employment (Tex. Gov't. 551.074)

X.B. Personnel Resignations, Leave of Absences, or Reassignments (Tex. Gov't. 551.074)

X.C. Consultation with Attorney (Tex. Gov't. 551.071)

X.D. Deliberations Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits (Tex. Gov't. 551.076)

XI. RECONVENE IN OPEN MEETING

XII. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

XII.A. Recommendation for Employment

XII.A.I. Other Personnel Positions as Needed

XII.B. Personnel Resignations, Leave of Absences, or Reassignments

XII.C. Recommendation Regarding Security - School Resource Officer (SRO) Memorandum of Understanding

XIII. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

XIV. BOARD PRESIDENT COMMENTS AND REPORTS

XV. ADJOURNMENT