

## **Canvass Meeting**

Tuesday, May 13, 2025 10:00 AM

Board Room of the Beaumont ISD Administration Building, 3395 Harrison Ave,  
Beaumont, TX 77706-5009

I. INTRODUCTION

I.A. ROLL CALL

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

III. ACTION ITEMS

III.A. Canvass Results of the May 3,  
2025 Election



## Board Exhibit Cover Sheet

**Meeting Date:** May 13, 2025

**Agenda Item/Exhibit Number:** **III.A.**

**Agenda Item Title:** Canvass of the May 3, 2025 Trustee Election Returns for Trustee Districts 1, 2, 3 and 5 Positions and Certify Results

**Cabinet Level Presenter(s):** Sierra Fisher, General Counsel

**Additional Presenter(s):**

**Executive Summary:** Certified results for the May 3, 2025, School Board Trustee election are summarized including combined regular and absentee ballots:

**Recommendation:** Adopt attached Order Canvassing the Returns and Declaring the Results of the May 3, 2025, General Election and Other Matters in Connection Therewith, as follows:

<b>Trustee District 1</b>		
Joe A. Evans, Jr.	Unopposed	2,046
<b>Trustee District 2</b>		
Yolanda N. Avery		1904
Scott Ali		185
<b>Trustee District 3</b>		
Treva Sherrell Johnson		591
Woodrow Reece, II		766
<b>Trustee District 5</b>		
Matilda "Tillie" Hickman	Unopposed	3,304

**Budget Impact\* (if applicable):** N/A

**Funding Source (if applicable):** N/A

**Compliance with Purchasing Guidelines (list applicable guidelines, including grant requirements):** N/A

**Policy Reference (if applicable, list policy/regulation):**

**Legal Review (if necessary, list attorney and firm):**

Sierra D. Fisher  
Cabinet Level Presenter's Signature

May 9, 2025  
Date

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\*CFO Signature (required if there is a budget impact)

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Date

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General Counsel's Signature  
Updated March 31, 2017

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Date

**ORDER CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE  
RESULTS OF THE MAY 3, 2025 GENERAL ELECTION  
AND OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH**

**WHEREAS**, the Board Members (the “Board”) of Beaumont Independent School District (the “District” or “BISD”) called a General Election to be held on May 3, 2025 (the “Election”) for the purpose of electing trustees to serve for single-member Districts One (1), Two (2), Three (3) and Five (5) positions.

**WHEREAS**, candidates filed for office in Trustee Districts One (1), Two (2), Three (3) and Five (5) positions and the General Election was held for trustee positions in those Districts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has reviewed and investigated all matters pertaining to the General Election, including the calling, notices, election officers, holding, and reports thereof under the Joint Election Agreements between the District and other participating parties and the election services contract between the District and Jefferson County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has diligently inquired into the poll lists and the official election returns, which were duly and lawfully made to the Board by **Roxanne Acosta Hellberg** the Jefferson County Clerk as presented by the judges and clerks holding and conducting the General Election, the poll lists and the official election returns showing separately the votes cast in the Election; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board hereby canvasses the returns of the General Election, consisting of votes cast by resident, qualified voters of the BISD single-member Districts One (1), Two (2), Three (3) and Five (5), positions for the following candidates:

TRUSTEE, District 1:	Joe A. Evans, Jr.	Unopposed
TRUSTEE, District 2:	Yolanda N. Avery. Scott Ali	Contested
TRUSTEE, District 3:	Woodrow Reece, II Treva Sherrell Johnson	Contested
TRUSTEE, District 5:	Tillie Hickman	Unopposed

and

**WHEREAS**, from these returns, the Board hereby finds that the following votes were cast

in the General Election by voters who were resident, qualified voters of BISD single-member Districts One (1), Two (2), Three (3) and Five (5) positions as indicated on the unofficial election results provided by **Roxanne Acosta Hellberg**, the Jefferson County Clerk, and attached as Exhibit “A” to this order: The Board hereby declares the unofficial election results as OFFICIAL and declares the totals as follows:

<b><u>DISTRICT 1</u></b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>VOTE %</b>	<b>Election Day</b>	<b>Absentee</b>	<b>Early Voting</b>
<b>Joe A. Evans, Jr.</b>	2,046	100.00%	480	52	1,514
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>2,046</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>1,514</b>
Overvotes	0		0	0	0
Undervotes	720		157	22	541
Contest Totals	2,766		637	74	2,055

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<b><u>DISTRICT 2</u></b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>VOTE%</b>	<b>Election Day</b>	<b>Absentee</b>	<b>Early Voting</b>
<b>Yolanda “Nan” Avery</b>	1,904	91.14%	456	62	1,386
<b>Scott Ali</b>	185	8.86%	49	13	123
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>2,089</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>1,509</b>
Overvotes	0		0	0	0
Undervotes	190		43	27	120
Contest Totals	2,279		548	102	1,629

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<b><u>DISTRICT 3</u></b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>VOTE%</b>	<b>Election Day</b>	<b>Absentee</b>	<b>Early Voting</b>
<b>Treva Sherrell Johnson</b>	591	43.64%	143	37	411
<b>Woodrow Reece, II</b>	766	56.36%	168	66	532
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,357</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>943</b>
Overvotes	0		0	0	0
Undervotes	155		33	13	109
Contest Totals	1,512		344	116	1,052

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<b><u>DISTRICT 5</u></b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>VOTE%</b>	<b>Election Day</b>	<b>Absentee</b>	<b>Early Voting</b>
<b>Tillie Hickman</b>	3,304	100.00%	693	106	2,505
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>3,304</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>2,505</b>
Overvotes	0		0	0	0
Undervotes	1,516		348	36	1,132
Contest Totals	4,820		1,041	142	3,637

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ACCORDINGLY FOUND, DECLARED AND ORDERED BY THE BOARD MEMBERS OF BEAUMONT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT:**

Section 1. Election; Returns; Canvass. The Board officially finds, determines, and declares that the General Election was duly and properly conducted, that proper legal notice of such Election was duly given in the English language and the Spanish language (to the extent required by law), that proper election officers were duly appointed prior to the Election, that the Election was duly and legally held, that all resident, qualified voters of BISD single-member Districts One (1), Two (2), Three (3) and Five (5) positions were permitted to vote at the Election, that due returns of the results of the Election were made and delivered, and that the Board has duly canvassed such returns, all in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and of the United States of America, the results provided by Theresa Goodness, the Jefferson County Clerk, and the orders calling the Election. The Board hereby declares the unofficial election results attached as Exhibit A hereto as OFFICIAL.

Section 2. Election Results for Single-Member District 1. The Board certifies that a MAJORITY of the resident, qualified voters of BISD single-member district one (1) voted for **Joe A. Evans, Jr.**, and such individual is hereby elected as trustee for District One (1).

Section 3. Election Results for Single-Member District 2. The Board certifies that a MAJORITY of the resident, qualified voters of BISD single-member district two (2) voted for **Yolanda N. Avery**, and such individual is hereby elected as trustee for District Two (2).

Section 4. Election Results for Single-Member District 3. The Board certifies that a MAJORITY of the resident, qualified voters of BISD single-member district three (3) voted for **Woodrow Reece, II**, and such individual is hereby elected as trustee for District Three (3).

Section 5. Election Results for Single-Member District 5. The Board certifies that a MAJORITY of the resident, qualified voters of BISD single-member district five (5) voted for **Tillie Hickman**, and such individual is hereby elected as trustee for District Five (5).

Section 6. Preamble Incorporation. The recitals contained in the preamble hereof are hereby found to be true, and such recitals are hereby made a part of this Order for all purposes and are adopted as a part of the judgment and findings of the Board.

Section 7. Inconsistent Provisions. All orders and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Order shall be and remain controlling as to the matters ordered herein.

Section 8. Governing Law. This Order shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.

Section 9. Severability. If any provision of this Order or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Order and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and the Board hereby declares that this Order would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

Section 10. Notice of Meeting. The Board officially finds, determines, recites and declares that written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of the meeting at which this Order is adopted was posted on a bulletin board located at a place convenient to the public at the District's administrative offices for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of the meeting; that a

telephonic or telegraphic notice of such meeting was given to all news media who have consented to pay any and all expenses incurred by the District in connection with providing such notice, both as required by the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended; and that such meeting was open to the public as required by law at all times during which this Order and the subject matter thereof was discussed, considered and formally acted upon.

Section 11.    Authorization to Execute. The President of the Board is authorized to execute and the Secretary of the Board is authorized to attest this Order on behalf of the Board; and the President of the Board is authorized to do all other things legal and necessary in connection with the holding and consummation of the Election.

Section 12.    Effective Date. This Order is effective immediately upon its passage and approval.

**CERTIFICATE FOR ORDER**

I certify that the foregoing order canvassing returns and declaring results for the General Election was presented to the Board Members of the Beaumont Independent School District during a properly posted and duly called special canvassing meeting on May 3, 2025. A quorum for purposes of canvassing the General Election of the Board Members was present and it was duly moved and seconded that this Order be adopted. The Order was adopted according to the following record vote:

<u>Board Member Name</u>	Yes	Abstain	Absent
Matilda Hickman	_____	_____	_____
Stacey L. Lewis, Jr.	_____	_____	_____
Denise Wallace-Spooner	_____	_____	_____
Robert C. Dunn, Sr.	_____	_____	_____
Joe A. Evans, Jr.	_____	_____	_____
Woodrow Reece, II	_____	_____	_____
Thomas P. Sigeo, Sr.	_____	_____	_____
 VOTE TOTALS	_____	_____	_____

ATTEST:

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Board Secretary

EXHIBIT "A"

Unofficial Results of Election

Summary Results Report  
 Joint General Election  
 May 3, 2025

OFFICIAL CANVASS RESULTS  
 Beaumont ISD  
 Jefferson County

Beaumont ISD Trustee, District 1

Vote For 1	TOTAL	VOTE %	Election Day	Absentee	Early Voting
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Total Votes Cast	2,046	100.00%	480	52	1,514

Beaumont ISD Trustee, District 2

Vote For 1	TOTAL	VOTE %	Election Day	Absentee	Early Voting
Yolanda "Nan" Avery	1,904	91.14%	456	62	1,386
Scott Ali	185	8.86%	49	13	123
Total Votes Cast	2,089	100.00%	505	75	1,509

Beaumont ISD Trustee, District 3

Vote For 1	TOTAL	VOTE %	Election Day	Absentee	Early Voting
Treva Sherrell Johnson	591	43.55%	143	37	411
Woodrow "Woody" Reece, II	766	56.45%	168	66	532
Total Votes Cast	1,357	100.00%	311	103	943

Beaumont ISD Trustee, District 5

Vote For 1	TOTAL	VOTE %	Election Day	Absentee	Early Voting
Tillie Hickman	3,304	100.00%	693	106	2,505
Total Votes Cast	3,304	100.00%	693	106	2,505

	Beaumont ISD Trustee, District 1		Beaumont ISD Trustee, District 2			Beaumont ISD Trustee, District 3			Beaumont ISD Trustee, District 5	
	VOTE FOR 1		VOTE FOR 1			VOTE FOR 1			VOTE FOR 1	
	Joe A. Evans, Jr.	Total Votes Cast	Yolanda "Nan" Avery	Scott Ali	Total Votes Cast	Treva Sherrell Johnson	Woodrow "Woody" Reece, II	Total Votes Cast	Tillie Hickman	Total Votes Cast
1			220	16	236					
2			144	15	159					
3			185	11	196					
4									312	312
7						78	66	144		
8			62	4	66					
10						31	23	54		
11						20	31	51		
12						30	41	71		
13						17	36	53		
14						76	101	177		
15						51	94	145		
16						10	22	32		
17	447	447								
20						46	59	105		
21						0	0	0		
22	38	38	285	59	344					
23			454	57	511					
26	374	374								
27	107	107								
62									526	526
63			185	6	191					
65									453	453
66	29	29								
67						134	207	341		
68						49	47	96	285	285
72	635	635								
73									532	532
74						0	0	0		
75						19	19	38		
77			213	7	220					

	Beaumont ISD Trustee, District 1		Beaumont ISD Trustee, District 2			Beaumont ISD Trustee, District 3			Beaumont ISD Trustee, District 5	
	VOTE FOR 1		VOTE FOR 1			VOTE FOR 1			VOTE FOR 1	
	Joe A. Evans, Jr.	Total Votes Cast	Yolanda "Nan" Avery	Scott Ali	Total Votes Cast	Treva Sherrell Johnson	Woodrow "Woody" Reece, II	Total Votes Cast	Tillie Hickman	Total Votes Cast
78	239	239								
86	177	177								
87			156	10	166					
88									136	136
89						30	20	50		
94									442	442
99									47	47
100									571	571
103						0	0	0		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>2,046</b>	<b>2,046</b>	<b>1,904</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>2,089</b>	<b>591</b>	<b>766</b>	<b>1,357</b>	<b>3,304</b>	<b>3,304</b>

IV. ADJOURNMENT