

# Minutes of Regular Meeting

## The Board of Trustees Rusk Independent School District

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A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Rusk Independent School District was held Monday, January 12, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Training Center , 199 Eagle Drive, Rusk, Texas 75785.

Present: Jake Ocker, Martin Pepin, Montie Sunday, Tracy Session, Oliver Sturns, Nathan Acker, Tara Hoot

School Personnel & Visitors Present:

\_\_\_\_\_ called the meeting to order at \_\_\_\_\_

A quorum of members was established by \_\_\_\_\_

The Invocation was led by \_\_\_\_\_

A motion to \_\_\_\_\_ was made by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.  
The motion passed unanimously.

Attendance Taken at 5:53 PM. Nathan Acker: Present, Jami Hicks: Present, Tara Hoot: Present, Martin Pepin: Present, Tracy Session: Present, Montie Sunday: Absent, Chris Work: Present.

- I. Call to order
- II. School Board Appreciation
- III. Public Comments - Open Forum
- IV. Consent Agenda
  - A. Minutes of the previous meeting
  - B. Review financial update
  - C. Consider Quarterly Investment Report
- V. Information
  - A. Superintendent report
    1. Board calendar
    2. Facility Report
  - B. Review monthly expenditures
  - C. Student Transfers
  - D. Miscellaneous
    1. Rusk ISD TIA Plan Presentation
    2. Review Board Procedures Handbook
  - E. Review Policy CSA (Regulation)

VI. Action

- A. Review and approve the financial audit report for the fiscal year 2024-2025.
- B. Discussion and possible approval of 2025-2026 Budget Amendments
- C. Discussion and possible approval of revisions to the District of Innovation Plan.
- D. Discussion for approval of proposed revision to Policy EB (LOCAL)
- E. Discussion for approval of Policy DGBA (LOCAL)
- F. Discussion for approval of Policy FNG (LOCAL)
- G. Discussion for approval of Policy GF (LOCAL)
- H. Consideration and Board action to hire Bullock Security Company for Rusk ISD.

VII. Executive/Closed Session

The Board of Trustees may conduct an Executive/Closed Session pursuant to the following provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in Open Session.

The School Board may conveniently meet in such closed or executive 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 Discussion of purchases, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
- §551.073 Discussion of negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations.
- §551.074 Discussion of personnel or to hear complaints against personnel.
- §551.076/§551.08 Discussion of security devices or security audits.
- §551.082 Discussion of discipline of children, or complaint or charge against personnel.
- §551.0821 Discussion of personally Identifiable Information about Public School Student.
- §551.129 Consultation between governmental body and its attorney via telephone conference call.

VIII. Personnel

- A. Report on resignation and retirement of staff members
- B. Consider administrative recommendations for employment of personnel

IX. Annual Evaluation of Superintendent

X. Consider for possible action Superintendent Contract

A motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to adjourn at \_\_\_\_\_

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Jake Ocker, Board President

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Montie Sunday, Board Secretary