

Notice of Called Meeting Minutes
Board of Trustees
Thursday, August 27, 2026

A Called Meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, August 27, 2026, beginning at 6:30 PM, in the Upstairs Middle Room, 200 Co Rd 421, Stephenville, TX 76401.

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

1. Call to Order and Establish Quorum

The meeting was called to order and a quorum was established at 6:30 PM with Cody Pike, Brett Thetford, Neil Culpepper, AJ Squyres, Cindy Shipman, Lance Brooks, and Betty Peterson in attendance.
Admin represented by Wes Corzine.

2. Invocation

3. Pledges of Allegiance - United States and Texas

4. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

5. Final Budget Workshop

Mr. Corzine presented. Including with the board agenda; available online.

6. Public Hearing on the 2026-2027 Proposed Budget and Tax Rate began at

Began at 6:50 PM. Ended at 6:57 PM.

7. Public Hearing on Annual Certification on Senate Bill 12 Compliance began at

Began at 7:00 PM. Ended at 7:02 PM.

8. Action Item(s)

A. Consider Approval of Budget Amendments for the 2025-2026 Budget

Including with the board agenda; available online.

Motion to approve by Brett Thetford, seconded by Lance Brooks. Unanimous; motion approved.

B. Consider Approval of Annual Certification of Senate Bill 12 Certification

Including with the board agenda; available online.

Motion to approve by Brett Thetford, seconded by AJ Squyres. Unanimous; motion approved.

C. Consider Approval of the 2026-2027 Budget

Including with the board agenda; available online.

Motion to approve by Betty Peterson, seconded by Neil Culpepper. Unanimous; motion approved.

D. Consider Approval of the 2026-2027 Tax Rate

Including with the board agenda; available online.

Motion to approve by Brett Thetford, seconded by Lance Brooks. Unanimous; motion approved.

E. Consider Approval of the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit (Option 3) and to Delegate Authority to the Superintendent

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, 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 to approve by Betty Peterson, seconded by Lance Brooks. Unanimous; motion approved.

9. **Recess to Closed Session**

Description:

For the purpose of consideration of matters for which closed or executive sessions are authorized by Title 5, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code §(.071-084), whereupon the Superintendent, at the request of the President of the Board of Education, will present for the Board's discussion the following matters:

- A. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, to consult with the District's attorney, in person or by phone.
- B. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072, to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
- C. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee including the consideration by the board of the Superintendent's evaluation and contract.
- D. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.076, to deliberate continued evaluation and implementation of security plans, of security personnel or devices and/or conducting security audits.

10. **Adjourn at 7:19 PM.**

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E or Texas Government Code section 418.183(f). Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting. [See TASB Policy BEC(LEGAL)]

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