

**WACO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING
WISD Conference Center
115 S 5th Street
Waco, Texas 76701**

Thursday, February 16, 2023 - 6:00 PM

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Waco Independent School District will be held February 16, 2023, beginning at 6:00 PM in the WISD Conference Center, 115 S 5th Street, Waco, Texas.

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/agenda.

Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

AGENDA

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Public Comments on Agenda Items**
3. **Approve Resignation of Trustee Emily Iazzetti**
4. **Review and Discuss Vacancy of District 5 Trustee**
Presenter: Elizabeth Cox
5. **Set Trustee Special Election for District 5, Place 5 for Saturday, May 6, 2023, and Approve the Amended Order of Election**

Establecer la Eleccion Especial para el Distrito 5, Lugar 5 para el sábado, 6 de mayo, del 2023, y Aprobar la Orden de la Eleccion Modificada

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6. **Consideration of Personnel**
 - 6.A. Safety and Security
 - 6.B. Deliberate the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee
 - 6.C. Evaluation of Superintendent
7. **Adjournment**

Waco Independent School District

Board of Trustee Meeting Agenda Item

Date: February 16, 2023

Contact Person: Elizabeth Cox

RE: Review and Discuss Vacancy of District 5 Trustee

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Background Information:

Emily Iazzetti submitted a letter of resignation for her position as the Trustee representing District 5 on February 13, 2023. Her current term expires May 2025. Mrs. Iazzetti intends to continue her service on the Board until May 6, 2023, and the state’s holdover doctrine allows for this.

Under state law, a vacancy occurs when a resignation is accepted by the Board or on the eighth day after receipt – whichever is earlier. The Board will have the opportunity to accept Mrs. Iazzetti’s resignation on February 16 and, if the Board does so, a vacancy then exists. At that point, the Board can then discuss and take action to fill that vacancy, keeping in mind that because more than one year remains in the term of the position vacated, state law requires the remaining Board members to either fill the vacancy by appointment or call for a special election so that the vacancy is filled not later than 180 days after the vacancy occurs.

Over the last decade both methods have been used to fill a Board vacancy in Waco ISD with the most recent vacancy being filled in August 2021 by appointment. At that time, the Board chose the appointment method because regardless of the method used to fill the vacancy, the term for District 5 required that the position would appear on the May 2022 ballot.

Given that Mrs. Iazzetti’s current term ends over a year from the date of the anticipated vacancy, the Board may decide to fill the vacancy by calling a special election for May 6, 2023, to allow voters the opportunity to directly select who represents them. The Board has called a general election for this May and adding a special election is not expected to increase costs for the District.

To hold a special election in May 2023, state law requires the Board to order the election “as soon as practicable after the vacancy occurs.” Should trustees approve as a part of their February 16 meeting to fill the vacancy by holding a special election in conjunction with the regularly scheduled school board election on May 6, 2023, filing to run as a candidate in the special election would open Friday, February 17 at 8 a.m. and close Monday, March 6 at 5 p.m.

Waco ISD’s Trustee Area 5 includes the neighborhoods between Richland Mall and the lake as well as some areas near Baylor University.

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Background Information:

The McLennan County Elections Office has prepared the attached amended order for an election to be held on Saturday, May 6, 2023, to elect candidates to three-year terms representing District 3, Place 3 and At-Large, Place 7 and to fill the final two years of the unexpired term representing District 5, Place 5 on the Waco ISD Board of Trustees.

If the Board chooses to fill the District 5 vacancy by special election and the proposed order is approved on February 16, the filing period for the unexpired term for District 5 will start on February 17 and end at 5 p.m. on March 6. (The deadline for write-in candidates for the unexpired at-large term to submit a declaration of candidacy is also 5 p.m. on March 6.)

If approved, a prior order of election from January 19, 2023, will be set aside and replaced in its entirety by this amended order.

The filing period for District 3 and At Large, Place 7 started on Jan. 18 and ends at 5 p.m. on Feb. 17. (Write-in candidates for District 3 and At Large, Place 7 may submit a declaration of candidacy through 5 p.m. on Feb. 21.)

Applications for a place on the ballot for can be filed in the Superintendent’s Office on the 10th Floor of the Waco ISD Administration Building at 501 Franklin Avenue between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Applications can also be filed by mail or by email.

Waco ISD will participate in a joint election with Bellmead, Beverly Hills, Crawford, Gholson, Hewitt, Lacy Lakeview, Lorena, Mart, McGregor, Waco, Woodway, Bosqueville ISD, Connally ISD, Crawford ISD, Gholson ISD, La Vega ISD, Lorena ISD, Mart ISD, McGregor ISD, Midway ISD, and McLennan

Community College to be conducted by the McLennan County Elections Office. Some entities may cancel uncontested elections.

A list of early voting sites and Election Day vote centers is included with the order. Ballots for all participating entities will be available at all early voting sites and Election Day vote centers.

Early voting will take place April 24-29 and May 1-2.

Election Day is May 6.

Fiscal Implications:

Funds to pay for the election services contract with the county are included in 2022-2023 budget.

Administrative Recommendation(s):

Set the special election and approve the Amended Order of Election, as presented.

**AMENDED ORDER OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS
(ORDEN DE LA ELECCIÓN GENERAL)**

The prior order of election from January 19, 2023, will be set aside and replaced in its entirety by this amended order. Elections are hereby ordered to be held on May 6, 2023, for voting in a General Election to elect one (1) person for each position to serve the full term of three (3) years for two (2) School Board Members (District 3, Place 3 and At-Large Member, Place 7) and for voting in a Special Election to elect one (1) person for each position to serve the unexpired term for one (1) School Board Member (District 5, Place 5) for the Waco Independent School District.

(Por la presente se ordena que se llevará a cabo una elección el 6 de mayo de 2023, para votar en una elección general para elegir una (1) persona para que sirvan los termino completos de tres (3) años para los dos (2) miembros de junta de regentes (distrito 3, lugar número 3 y miembro en general) y elección especial para elegir una (1) persona para que sirvan los termino no completo de una (1) miembro de junta de regentes (distrito 5, lugar número 5) para del distrito escolar independiente de Waco.)

The execution of a Joint Election Agreement with Bellmead, Beverly Hills, Crawford, Gholson, Hewitt, Lacy Lakeview, Lorena, Mart, McGregor, Waco, Woodway, Bosqueville ISD, Connally ISD, Crawford ISD, Gholson ISD, La Vega ISD, Lorena ISD, Mart ISD, McGregor ISD, Midway ISD, Waco ISD, and McLennan Community College is hereby authorized and approved.

(La ejecución de un acuerdo de elección conjunta con Bellmead, Beverly Hills, Crawford, Gholson, Hewitt, Lacy Lakeview, Lorena, Mart, McGregor, Waco, Woodway, Bosqueville ISD, Connally ISD, Crawford ISD, Gholson ISD, La Vega ISD, Lorena ISD, Mart ISD, McGregor ISD, Midway ISD, Waco ISD, y McLennan Community College se autoriza y aprueba.)

Applications for a place on the ballot for the Special Election (District 5, Place 5) shall be filed by March 6, 2023 at 5p.m.

(A deadline is required to be stated in the order for a special election.)

Solicitudes para un lugar en la boleta electoral para la Elección Especial (distrito 5, lugar número 5) se presentará antes del 6 de marzo de 2023 a las 5 p.m.

(De acuerdo con la orden de elección especial se requiere una fecha límite.)

**LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
(DIRECCIÓN(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)**

**See attached List
(Véase la lista adjunta)**

Early Voting by personal appearance will be conducted at:
(La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo todos los días en:)

**Early Voting Sites:
(Lugares de votación adelantada)**

McLennan County Elections Administration Office (Main Early Voting Site)
Records Building (Basement)
214 North 4th Street, Suite 300
Waco, TX 76701

Robinson Community Center
106 W. Lyndale Avenue
Robinson, TX 76706

Waco Multi-Purpose Community Center
1020 Elm Avenue
Waco, TX 76704

West Waco Library
5301 Bosque Boulevard
Waco, TX 76710

Hewitt City Hall/Library
200 Patriot Court
Hewitt, TX 76643

The dates and times of Early Voting are:
(Los días y horas de votación adelantada son:)

Monday (lunes)	April 24, 2023 (24 de abril de 2023)	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Tuesday (martes)	April 25, 2023 (25 de abril de 2023)	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Wednesday (miércoles)	April 26, 2023 (26 de abril de 2023)	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Thursday (jueves)	April 27, 2023 (27 de abril de 2023)	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Friday (viernes)	April 28, 2023 (28 de abril de 2023)	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday (sabado)	April 29, 2023 (29 de abril de 2023)	7:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Monday (lunes)	May 1, 2023 (1 de mayo de 2023)	7:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Tuesday (martes)	May 2, 2023 (2 de mayo de 2023)	7:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Applications to vote by mail should be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para poder votar por deben ser enviadas a:)

McLennan County Elections Administration
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 2450 Waco, Texas 76703-2450
Physical Address: 214 N. 4th Street, Suite 300 Waco, Texas 76701
Fax: (254) 757-5041
Phone: (254) 757-5043
ballothymail@co.mclennan.tx.us
www.mclennanvotes.com

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 25, 2023:
(Las solicitudes para votar por correo tendrán que ser recibidas antes del fin del día laboral el 25 de abril 2023:)

Issued this the _____ day of _____, 2023.
(Emitada el día _____ de _____ 2023.)

President, Waco ISD Board of Trustees
(presidente, junta de regentes de Waco ISD)

Signature of Board Member
(Firma del Director)

MAY 6, 2023 ELECTION DAY VOTE CENTERS

(6 de mayo de 2023 Centros de Voto Para el Día de las Elecciones)

Axtell School Athletic Meeting Room	312 W. Seley, Axtell
Bellmead Civic Center	3900 Parrish Street, Waco
Bruceville-Eddy ISD Special Events Center	1 Eagle Drive, Eddy
Carver Park Baptist Church	1020 E. Herring Avenue, Waco
Cesar Chavez Middle School	700 S. 15 th Street, Waco
Chalk Bluff Baptist Church	5993 Gholson Road, Waco
China Spring ISD Administration Bldg.	12166 Yankie Road, China Spring
Crawford High School	200 Pirate Drive, Crawford
Dewey Community Center	925 N. 9 th Street, Waco
Fellowship Bible Church	5200 Speegleville Road, McGregor
Grace Church	4610 Bosque Boulevard, Waco
H. G. Isbill Junior High	305 S. Van Buren Street, McGregor
Heart of Texas Council of Governments	1514 S. New Road, Waco
Hewitt First Baptist Church	301 S. 1 st Street, Hewitt
Hewitt City Hall/Library	200 Patriot Court, Hewitt
Holy Spirit Episcopal Church	1624 Wooded Acres Drive, Waco
Lacy Lakeview Civic Center	505 E. Craven Avenue, Waco
Lake Shore United Methodist Church	3311 Park Lake Drive, Waco
Lorena First Baptist Church	307 E. Center Street, Lorena
Mart Community Center	804 E. Bowie Avenue, Mart
MCC Conference Center	4601 N. 19 th Street, Waco
Moody First United Methodist Church	500 6 th Street, Moody
Riesel ISD Urbantke Gymnasium	702 E. Frederick Street, Riesel
Robinson Community Center	106 W. Lyndale Avenue, Robinson
South Waco Library	2737 S. 18 th Street, Waco
Speegleville Baptist Church	469 Speegle Road, Waco
St. Louis Activity Center (Windsor Ave. Parking)	2415 Cumberland Avenue, Waco
The Venue at First Woodway Baptist Church	110 Ritchie Road, Woodway
University High School	3201 S. New Road, Waco
Waco Convention Center	100 Washington Avenue, Waco
Waco Multi-Purpose Community Center	1020 Elm Avenue, Waco
West Waco Library	5301 Bosque Blvd., Waco
West Community Center	200 Tokio Road, West
Woodway City Hall	922 Estates Drive, Woodway