



Locust Grove
Regular
Meeting
Monday,
August 10, 2026
6:30 PM

Administration Building
302 East Joe Koelsch
Locust Grove, Oklahoma 74352

Minutes

1. Call meeting to order and Pledge of Allegiance

Jeff Downing called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Roll Call

Jeff Downing: Present

Rick Pierce: Present

Andrew Snell: Present

Josh Wall: Present

Jim Ward: Present

3. Open Forum, Public Comment or Indian Education Comments/Concerns

- Speakers must identify themselves and sign in prior to the start of the meeting
- Each speaker is given a maximum of five (5) minutes
- Total time allocated to this item is twenty (20) minutes
- The President reserves the right to interrupt this section and move to the next item

There were no public comments or Indian Education concerns.

4. Superintendent Report

Open House and Staff Professional Development went well.

Enrollment updates.

Volleyball and Softball are starting Tuesday, August 11th.

Red/White Scrimmage Friday, August 14th.

The Upper Elementary safe room is complete.

Discussed district needs.

5. Consent Agenda

All of the items, which consist of a routine nature normally approved at Board meetings, will be approved by one vote unless any Board member desires to have a separate vote on any or all of these items. The consent agenda consists of the discussion, consideration and approval of the following items:

Motion to approve Consent Agenda items a. thru d. This motion, made by Jeff Downing and seconded by Andrew Snell, passed.

Jeff Downing: Yes

Rick Pierce: Yes

Andrew Snell: Yes

Josh Wall: Yes

Jim Ward: Yes

Yes: 5, No: 0

5.a. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting, July 6, 2026

Addendum A: Minutes of Regular Board Meeting, July 6, 2026

Minutes of Special Board Meeting, July 29, 2026

5.b. Approve financial statements, all warrants issued for payment, change orders and all purchase orders and activity fund balances:

General Fund 11 Encumbrances #126-189 for 2026-2027

Building Fund 21 Encumbrances #5-7 for 2026-2027

Building Bond Fund 32 Encumbrances #1 for 2026-2027

General Fund 11 Bank Statement for July 2026

Activity Fund 60 Bank Statement for July 2026

Carlos Wear Fund 61 Bank Statement for July 2026

5.c. Contracts for FY27:

a.) Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education

b.) ROCMND Area Youth Services, Inc.

c.) Quality Choice Drug Testing

5.d. Approve fundraiser requests for Band Activity Account 830 and Choir Activity Account 833

6. Discussion and possible action to amend the homecoming policy

Motion to amend the homecoming policy procedures. This motion, made by Jeff Downing and seconded by Jim Ward, passed.

Jeff Downing: Yes

Rick Pierce: Abstain (With Conflict)

Andrew Snell: Yes

Josh Wall: Yes

Jim Ward: Yes

Yes: 4, No: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

7. Discussion and possible action on school mascot logo and school colors

New uniforms that are purchased will adhere to new board policy.

Motion to approve the school mascot logo and school colors to keep traditional colors red and white with black trim/accents, logos permitted are the interlocking LG and all uniforms purchased moving forward using the Pirate head logo, will need board approval. This motion, made by Jeff Downing and seconded by Jim Ward, passed.

Jeff Downing: Yes

Rick Pierce: Yes
Andrew Snell: Yes
Josh Wall: Yes
Jim Ward: Yes

Yes: 5, No: 0

8. Discussion and possible action to approve out-of-state trip for FFA to attend the National Convention in Indianapolis, IN, October 21-24, 2026

Motion to approve out-of-state trip for FFA to attend the National Convention in Indianapolis, IN, October 21-24, 2026. This motion, made by Andrew Snell and seconded by Jim Ward, passed.

Jeff Downing: Yes
Rick Pierce: Yes
Andrew Snell: Yes
Josh Wall: Yes
Jim Ward: Yes

Yes: 5, No: 0

9. Discussion and possible action to approve USDA Adult Meal prices for the 2026-2027 school year: Breakfast \$2.94 and Lunch \$5.30

Motion to approve USDA Adult Meal prices for the 2026-2027 school year: Breakfast \$2.94 and Lunch \$5.30. This motion, made by Andrew Snell and seconded by Josh Wall, passed.

Jeff Downing: Yes
Rick Pierce: Yes
Andrew Snell: Yes
Josh Wall: Yes
Jim Ward: Yes

Yes: 5, No: 0

10. Discussion and possible action to amend the following policies:

- a.) DHAC Staff members and Electronic or Digital Communications
- b.) EFEAA Artificial Intelligence Systems and Tools Use in the School District
- c.) EIA-R4 Student Retention (Regulation)
- d.) EKBA Strong Readers Act
- e.) Children of Active-Duty Military Members
- f.) FFG Reporting Suspected Child Abuse and/or Neglect

Motion to amend the following policies: a.) DHAC Staff members and Electronic or Digital Communications b.) EFEAA Artificial Intelligence Systems and Tools Use in the School District c.) EIA-R4 Student Retention (Regulation) d.) EKBA Strong Readers Act e.) Children of Active-Duty Military Members f.) FFG Reporting Suspected Child Abuse and/or Neglect. This motion, made by Jeff Downing and seconded by Rick Pierce, passed.

Jeff Downing: Yes
Rick Pierce: Yes
Andrew Snell: Yes
Josh Wall: Yes
Jim Ward: Yes

Yes: 5, No: 0

11. Proposed executive session to adjunct the following certified staff (a.) Taylor Ragsdale - Physical Education (b.) Jake Tolbert - Physical Education (c.) Sam Nelson - Physical Education (d.) Hailey Boyer - Art, approve names of Extra Duty Coaching/Job Assignments 2026-2027, approve new job assignment of Lisa Caine to Child Nutrition Director/Office Assistant and accept resignation of Jessica Williams, Certified Teacher, pursuant to Oklahoma Statute 25 Section 307 (B)(1)

- a. Vote to convene
- b. Acknowledge return to open session
- c. Statement of executive session minutes

Jeff Downing acknowledged the return to open session at 9:02 p.m.

Jim Ward read the executive session minutes statement.

Those present in the executive session: Jeff Downing, Rick Pierce, Jim Ward, Josh Wall, Andrew Snell, Dan Stokes and Jamie Hall.

Motion to enter executive session at 8:48 p.m. This motion, made by Jeff Downing and seconded by Andrew Snell, passed.

Jeff Downing: Yes
Rick Pierce: Yes
Andrew Snell: Yes
Josh Wall: Yes
Jim Ward: Yes

Yes: 5, No: 0

12. Discussion and possible action to adjunct the following certified staff:

- a.) Taylor Ragsdale - Physical Education
- b.) Jake Tolbert - Physical Education
- c.) Sam Nelson - Physical Education
- d.) Hailey Boyer - Art

Motion to adjunct the following certified staff: a.) Taylor Ragsdale - Physical Education b.) Jake Tolbert - Physical Education c.) Sam Nelson - Physical Education d.) Hailey Boyer - Art. This motion, made by Jeff Downing and seconded by Andrew Snell, passed.

Jeff Downing: Yes
Rick Pierce: Yes
Andrew Snell: Yes
Josh Wall: Yes
Jim Ward: Yes

Yes: 5, No: 0

13. Take action to approve the names of the Extra Duty Coaching/Job Assignments 2026-2027

Motion to approve the names of the Extra Duty Coaching/Job Assignments 2026-2027. This motion, made by Jeff Downing and seconded by Jim Ward, passed.

Jeff Downing: Yes

Rick Pierce: Yes

Andrew Snell: Yes

Josh Wall: Yes

Jim Ward: Yes

Yes: 5, No: 0

14. Take action to approve new job assignment of Lisa Caine, Child Nutrition Director/Office Assistant

Motion to approve new job assignment of Lisa Caine, Child Nutrition Director/Office Assistant. This motion, made by Jeff Downing and seconded by Rick Pierce, passed.

Jeff Downing: Yes

Rick Pierce: Yes

Andrew Snell: Yes

Josh Wall: Yes

Jim Ward: Yes

Yes: 5, No: 0

15. Take action to accept the resignation of Jessica Williams, Upper Elementary Teacher

Motion to accept the resignation of Jessica Williams, Upper Elementary Teacher. This motion, made by Jeff Downing and seconded by Andrew Snell, passed.

Jeff Downing: Yes

Rick Pierce: Yes

Andrew Snell: Yes

Josh Wall: Yes

Jim Ward: Yes

Yes: 5, No: 0

16. New Business and action, if needed

Board President Jeff Downing called for new business, but none was introduced.

17. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn at 9:04 p.m. This motion, made by Rick Pierce and seconded by Jeff Downing, passed.

Jeff Downing: Yes

Rick Pierce: Yes

Andrew Snell: Yes

Josh Wall: Yes

Jim Ward: Yes

Yes: 5, No: 0