

Thursday, October 16, 2025

The Hemphill Independent School District Board of Education met in special session on Thursday, October 16, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. for a Hemphill ISD VATRE Town Hall meeting in the HISD Administration Office with the following members present: Carl Beall Jr, Kim Scales, Andrea Procella-Heslip, Tammie Cox, Gary R. Parks, Dale Wilkerson

Members absent: Marty Griffin

Also present was Stephen English, Kelli Barnett, Amanda McClelland, Sunny Whittington, Angela Iles, Tommy Whittington, Rita Elliott, Welden Elliott, Andrew Mills, Mike Mills, Chanda Pattillo, David Eddings, Densie Eddings, Susan Conn, Sherri Foster, Brittany Cordray, Haley Doughty, Kelly Holifield, Scott Dyer, Eric Procella, Jessica Pickard, Jeremy McDaniel
Carl Beall Jr, Board President, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and established a quorum.

Public Meeting to discuss the November 4, 2025 HISD Special Election for a VATRE - Voter Approval Tax Rate Election

Stephen English, Superintendent, discussed a slideshow presentation explaining why Hemphill ISD is calling for a VATRE. A VATRE increases the day-to-day operating budget without acquiring debt or interest payments and gives the district the ability to choose how the funds are spent. If approved, the VATRE would be used for hiring and retaining quality staff, increasing staff salaries, repairing aging infrastructure, installing a new playground, and purchasing buses. After question and answer time the meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Carl Beall Jr, President
Hemphill Board of Education

Andrea Procella-Heslip, Secretary
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