

Thursday, December 18, 2025

The Hemphill Independent School District Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, December 18, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. for a regular Board Meeting in the HISD Administration Office with the following members present: Carl Beall Jr, Kim Scales, Andrea Procella-Heslip, Tammie Cox, Marty Griffin, Gary R. Parks, Dale Wilkerson.

Members absent: None.

Also present were Stephen English, Kelli Barnett, Amanda McClelland, Judy Shelton, Lane Cook, Jeremy McDaniel, Scott Dyer, Denise Eddings, Chanda Pattillo, Kelly Holifield, Angela Sowell, Chad Ford, Summer Ford, Amber McGee, Deadria Harvey, Frank Torres, Mrs Torres, Jessica Clark, Jessica Jackson, Alexis Cavazos, Brayden Blue, Shonda Rutherford, Brent Tankersly, Edeska Barnes, Kelli Beall, Camdyn Beall, Cason Beall, Mason Jackson

Carl Beall Jr, Board President, called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 5:59 p.m.

Gary R. Parks gave the invocation.

Camdyn Beall, Brayden Blue, Mason Jackson led the Pledge To The Flag

Camdyn Beall read the Hemphill ISD Mission Statement

Visitors and Comments

Frank Torres, Commander of the Hemphill VFW Post 10351, presented a check to the Hemphill Band for \$ 1,500, a check to High School Art for \$ 2,000 and a check to Champion Oaks Equine Therapy for \$ 2,500. Hemphill ISD appreciates the Hemphill VFW for their continued support.

Scott Dyer introduced Edeska Barnes, Sabine County Juvenile Probation, and Edeska Barnes reported to the Board that funds were secured for the Equine Therapy and substance abuse for Sabine County.

Scott Dyer then introduced Brent Tankersly, Counselor for Champion Oaks Equine Therapy, and Brent Tankersly reported on students he has worked with for behavioral issues and the accomplishments that were happening with the program.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Kim Scales, seconded by Andrea Procella-Heslip, passed unanimously.

Votes for: Carl Beall Jr, Kim Scales, Andrea Procella-Heslip, Tammie Cox, Marty Griffin, Gary R. Parks, Dale Wilkerson

Votes against: None

Minutes of the Special Board Meeting November 11, 2025

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting November 20, 2025

Bills, Financial Reports, and Investment Reports for the month of November 2025

## Tax Refund Requests

Ryan and Bobbi Sutton - Homestead Exemption - \$ 656.55

JR Tool & Equipment - New Value / Overpayment - \$ 813.61

Stephen English, Superintendent, presented the Superintendent's Report

## Enrollment

School	2023 - 2024	2024 - 2025	2025 - 2026
High School	220	223	201
Middle School	231	212	212
Elementary School	323	342	310
Total	774	777	723

## Class Counts

EE - 0, PK - 40, K - 66, 1 - 39, 2 - 58, 3 - 51, 4 - 56, 5 - 61, 6 - 55, 7 - 42, 8 - 54, 9 - 48, 10 - 55, 11 - 54, 12 - 44, Total - 723

## Personnel Update

Resigned: Joe Walker - Bus Driver, Angie McMillan - Receptionist

Terminated: Harlee Ebarb - Elementary Life Skills Paraprofessional, Sandy Hanks - Sp Ed

Coop Case Manager / Secretary

Employed: Liz Hardin - Bus Driver, Christina Wagner - Elementary Life Skills Paraprofessional (Pending Fingerprinting), Julie Stewart - Custodian

## Student Overnight Trip Requests

FFA January 22 - 26, 2026 to Fort Worth for Heifer Show

FFA January 28 - 30, 2026 to Fort Worth for Goat and Lamb Show

FFA January 29 - 30, 2026 to Fort Worth for Robotics Contest

Baseball Team March 12 - 14, 2026 to Gainesville for Tournament

Athletic Trainers January 9 - 10, 2026 to Commerce for Workshop and competitions

## Federal Forest Mineral Receipts

HISD received a check for \$ 460,496.50

## Campus Academic Reports

Principals reported on interim testing and activities

Stephen English, Superintendent, presented the Superintendent's Recommendations

Discussion/Action for accepting resignations, employing personnel, reassignment of personnel, or terminating/non-renewal of personnel.

The Board approved a resignation from Lindsey Neel, High School English Teacher, on a motion by Dale Wilkerson, seconded by Kim Scales, passed unanimously.

Votes for: Carl Beall Jr, Kim Scales, Andrea Procella-Heslip, Tammie Cox, Marty Griffin, Gary R. Parks, Dale Wilkerson

Votes against: none

The Board approved employing Tristan Freeman, High School English Teacher / Head Softball Coach, on a motion by Gary R. Parks, seconded by Andrea Procella-Heslip, passed unanimously.

Votes for: Carl Beall Jr, Kim Scales, Andrea Procella-Heslip, Tammie Cox, Marty Griffin, Gary R. Parks, Dale Wilkerson

Votes against: none

Carl Beall Jr, Board President, stated the Board would go into Closed Session per Gov. Code 551.071 - Private Consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law

551.072 - For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

551.074 - Board deliberation concerning appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of public officers or employees

The Board convened into Closed Session at 7:01 p.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:57 p.m.

Open Session (Action Resulting From Closed Session, if any)

Discussion/Action on Items Discussed in Closed Session, if any

No action was taken

Discussion/Action on Superintendent Evaluation Instrument

The Board approved the Score Card from the Lone Star Governance training for the Superintendent Evaluation Instrument on a motion by Kim Scales, seconded by Marty Griffin, passed unanimously.

Votes for: Carl Beall Jr, Kim Scales, Andrea Procella-Heslip, Tammie Cox, Marty Griffin, Gary R. Parks, Dale Wilkerson

Votes against: None

Approval of Budget Amendment # 2 for the 2025 - 2026 School Year

There was not a Budget Amendment # 2

There being no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m. on a motion by Gary R. Parks, seconded by Tammie Cox, passed unanimously.

Votes for: Carl Beall Jr, Kim Scales, Andrea Procella-Heslip, Tammie Cox, Marty Griffin, Gary R. Parks, Dale Wilkerson

Votes against: None

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Carl Beall Jr, President  
Hemphill Board of Education

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Andrea Procella-Heslip, Secretary  
Hemphill Board of Education