

Thursday, June 19, 2025

The Hemphill Independent School District Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, June 19, 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, Tammie Cox, Gary R. Parks, Dale Wilkerson.

Members absent: Andrea Procella-Heslip, Marty Griffin.

Also present were Stephen English, Kelli Barnett, Lane Cook, Jessica Pickard, Chanda Pattillo, Susan Conn, Jeremy McDaniel, Sunny Whittington, Angela Iles, Scott Dyer, Kelly Holifield  
Carl Beall Jr, Board President, called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 6:01 p.m.

Kim Scales gave the invocation.

Carl Beall Jr led the Pledge To The Flag.

Tammie Cox recited the Hemphill ISD Mission Statement.

Visitors and Comments

There were no requests to speak.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Kim Scales, seconded by Dale Wilkerson, passed unanimously.

Minutes of the Special Board Meeting May 13, 2025

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting May 16, 2025

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

Stephen English, Superintendent, presented the Superintendent’s Report

Enrollment

School	2022 - 2023	2023 - 2024	2024 - 2025
High School	230	219	219
Middle School	232	226	209
Elementary School	333	337	330
Total	795	782	758

Class Counts

EE - 0, PK - 48, K - 40, 1 - 63, 2 - 53, 3 - 63, 4 - 63, 5 - 58, 6 - 49, 7 - 55, 8 - 47, 9 - 70, 10 - 50, 11 - 52, 12 - 47, Total - 758

Student Overnight Trip Requests, if necessary

There were no requests

Scholarships

Total scholarships received for the graduating class totaled \$ 974,450

## Personnel Update

Resigned: Beatriz Castor - Custodian, Reggie Parks - Elementary Paraprofessional / Boys Coach, Stephanie Harkness, Elementary Principal, Darrius Clarkson - Middle School Sp Ed Inclusion Teacher / Boys Coach, Patsy Vlasek - Elementary Teacher, Meredith Diggles II - Girls Coordinator, Kennedey Parker - Elementary Teacher, Employed: George Thomas - Dean of Students, Joy Harrison - Elementary PE Teacher / Girls Coach, Kaylee Hancock - HS Sp Ed Teacher / Girls Coach, Ronny Hancock - MS CTE Teacher / Boys Coach, Reassigned: Jessica Pickard to Elementary Principal

Campus Academic Reports (Monitoring Calendar - Student Outcome Goals and Progress Measures / Principal Reports / Goal 1.1 and 1.3 (Constraints)

Jeremy McDaniel, Lane Cook, Jessica Pickard all reported on STAAR Results

## Facilities and Construction Update

Demo of Old Main Building and Playground

Stephen English reported on the asbestos abatement and the proposals from different architects with schematics

VATRE (Voter Approval Tax Rate Election)

Stephen English gave a timeline out for a VATRE

District Vulnerability Assessment Report

Stephen English gave a report on the audit being done and the school using Sentinel

Service Pins and Retirement Awards

5 Year Pin - Jeff Ashen, Lana Bennett, Kristal Elliott, Colette Hanzel, Liz Hardin, Shay Lane, Lea Noble, Tammy Zappas, 10 Year Pin - Eric Heslip, Deborah Salyers, Joe Walker, 15 Year Pin - Susan Conn, Susana Lopez Toby Rothen, 20 Year Pin - Cecily Bridges, Denise Eddings, Heidy Griffin, Marcie Welch, Cassy Whitsitt - Retirement Plaques - Karen Bennett, Becky Smith, Jeremy Wallace, Lea Warren

Other news: School Board Summit - July 18 - 19, 2025 at Region 7 ESC

Stephen English, Superintendent, presented the Superintendent's Recommendations

Discussion/Action for approval of the resolution for district wide closure the week of June 30, 2025 - July 4, 2025 and the compensation of employees contracted for 226 days/234 days.

The Board approved the resolution for district wide closure the week of June 30, 2025 - July 4, 2025 and the compensation of employees contracted for 226 days/234 days on a motion by Dale Wilkerson, seconded by Gary R. Parks, passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action to approve Tax Refund Requests, if necessary.

The Board approved Tax Refund Requests for Kenneth and Shannen Ortego for \$ 696.90 for Homestead Exemption on a motion by Kim Scales, seconded by Dale Wilkerson, passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action to approve TASB Policy Update 125, affecting (LOCAL) policies to add, revise, or delete (LOCAL) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 125.

The Board approved TASB Policy Update 125, affecting (LOCAL) policies to add, revise, or delete (LOCAL) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 125 on a motion by Kim Scales, seconded by Dale Wilkerson, passed unanimously.

BDAA(LOCAL): OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS - DUTIES AND REQUIREMENTS OF BOARD OFFICERS

BDB(LOCAL): BOARD INTERNAL ORGANIZATION - BOARD COMMITTEES

BDF(LOCAL): BOARD INTERNAL ORGANIZATION - ADVISORY COMMITTEES

EI(LOCAL): ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

FDE(LOCAL): ADMISSIONS - SCHOOL SAFETY TRANSFERS

FEC(LOCAL): ATTENDANCE - ATTENDANCE FOR CREDIT

Discussion/Action to approve a Region 12 ESC E-Rate Consulting Contract Agreement.

The Board approved a Region 12 ESC E-Rate Consulting Contract Agreement on a motion by Gary R. Parks, seconded by Kim Scales, passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action to review the District's Local Investment Policy CDA and Resolution.

The Board approved the District's Local Investment Policy CDA and Resolution on a motion by Dale Wilkerson, seconded by Kim Scales, passed unanimously.

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

No action was taken.

Carl Beall Jr, Board President, asked if anyone was requesting Closed Session and Gary R. Parks requested Closed Session.

Carl Beall Jr, Board President, stated the Board would go into Closed Session per Gov. Code 551.074. Adjourn for Executive Session allowed by Gov. Code 551.074 (Board deliberation concerning appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, or dismissal of public offices or employees).

a. Discussion of employee hires, resignations, reassignments and discipline, including campus administration, Superintendent and professional educators and auxiliary personnel

Andrea Procella-Heslip, Secretary  
Hemphill Board of Education