

Thursday, January 15, 2026

The Hemphill Independent School District Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 6:30 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, Brittney Puryear, Kevin Dutton, Chanda Pattillo, Mike Mills, Welden Elliott, John Trammell, Lane Cook, Jessica Pickard, Jeremy McDaniel, Brian Martin, Kelly Holifield, Annette Carranza, Kate Courville, Summer Ford, Chad Ford

Carl Beall Jr, Board President, called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 6:36 p.m.

Kim Scales gave the invocation (6:36 pm)

Carl Beall Jr led the Pledge To The Flag (6:37 pm)

Andrea Procella-Heslip recited the Hemphill ISD Mission Statement (6:37 pm)

Visitors and Comments (6:38 pm)

No one signed up to speak

Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson LLP - Delinquent Tax Report (6:38 pm)

Kevin Dutton with LGBS reported to the Board the Delinquent Tax Report

Notice of Public Meeting to Discuss Final TAPR State Accountability Report (7:10 pm)

Stephen English discussed the Final TAPR State Accountability Report (7:10 pm)

The Board formally accepted the Final TAPR State Accountability Report on a motion by Tammie Cox, seconded by Dale Wilkerson, passed unanimously. (7:16 pm)

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

Votes against: none

Consent Agenda (7:17 pm)

Motion by Kim Scales, seconded by Andrea Procella-Heslip, passed unanimously. (7:17 pm)

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 Regular Board Meeting December 18, 2025 (7:17 pm)

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

Tax Refund Requests, if necessary (7:17 pm)

William & Kayla Lemoine for \$ 1,528.65 Homestead Applied

Timothy Ebarb for \$ 933.66 Homestead Exemption

Gabriel LeJune for \$ 933.66 Homestead Exemption

Stephen English, Superintendent, presented the Superintendent’s Report (7:18 pm)

Enrollment

School	2023 - 2024	2024 - 2025	2025 - 2026
High School	219	223	201
Middle School	232	215	206
Elementary School	329	324	310
Total	780	762	717

Class Counts

EE - 0, PK - 40, K - 65, 1 - 40, 2 - 57, 3 - 51, 4 - 57, 5 - 59, 6 - 53, 7 - 41, 8 - 53, 9 - 48, 10 - 55, 11 - 54, 12 - 44, Total - 717

January Board Recognition Month - “Our Future is Public” (7:19 pm)

The Board was honored tonight with a Board Appreciation Dinner

Personnel Update (7:19 pm)

Terminated - Lori Wedgeworth - Elementary Life Skills Paraprofessional

Employed - Summer Owecki - Elementary Life Skills Paraprofessional

Campus Academic Reports

Principals reported on the School Report Card and Overall Ratings and Distinctions and Dual Credit enrollment

(7:19 pm Elem Principal) (7:39 pm MS Principal) (7:46 pm HS Principal)

Stephen English, Superintendent, presented the Superintendent’s Recommendations (7:59 pm)

Discussion/Action to approve the calling of the annual School Board Trustee Election on May 2, 2026.

Position # 4 (currently held by Dale Wilkerson) and Position # 5 (currently held by Tammie Cox) are up for election.

The Board approved the calling of the annual School Board Trustee Election on May 2, 2026 on a motion by Kim Scales, seconded by Gary R. Parks, passed unanimously. (7:59 pm)

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

Votes against: none

Discussion/Action to approve moving the February Regular Board Meeting due to Winter Break.

The Board approved moving the February Regular Board Meeting due to Winter Break to February 26, 2026 on a motion by Gary R. Parks, seconded by Marty Griffin, passed unanimously. (8:00 pm)

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

Votes against: none

Discussion/Action to approve the procurement of Library Materials.

The Board approved the procurement of Library Materials on a motion by Dale Wilkerson, seconded by Marty Griffin, passed unanimously. (8:03 pm)

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

Votes against: none

Discussion/Action to approve Apple iPad Lease.

The Board approved an Apple iPad Lease from Apple Inc for a term of 3 years for a total of \$ 74,173.40 on a motion by Gary R. Parks, seconded by Andrea Procella-Heslip, passed unanimously. (8:04 pm)

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

Votes against: none

Consider/Approve sale of 29.492 Acres of District Property Located at , 0 Old Sabinetown Rd, Hemphill, Texas to Sabine County. (8:06 pm)

At this time, Chad Ford has asked to speak to the Board concerning the Hemphill Dixie League needing the stands and other items from the "Old Baseball Park" due to the consideration of the Board possibly selling the 29.492 Acres of District Property.

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

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

The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:08 p.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 10:53 p.m.

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

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

Consider/Approve sale of 29.492 Acres of District Property Located at, 0 Old Sabinetown Rd. Hemphill, Texas, to Sabine County. (Property called "Old Baseball Field")

The Board approved sale of 29.492 Acres of District Property Located at, 0 Old Sabinetown Rd. Hemphill, Texas, to Sabine County on a motion by Kim Scales that the Board approve the sale of approximately 29.492 acres out of the Joseph Walker Survey Abs 57 of District property located at/on 0 Old Sabinetown R, Hemphill, Texas, to Sabine County for the purchase price of \$ 393,000. I further move that the Board authorize the Board President/legal counsel to negotiate the final terms of the sale and or execute any necessary documents related to the sale on behalf of the Board, seconded by Dale Wilkerson, passed with 6 votes for and 1 abstaining, Tammie Cox. (10:55 pm)

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

Votes against: none

Those abstaining: Tammie Cox

Discussion/Action for accepting resignations, employing personnel, reassignment of personnel, or termination/non-renewal of personnel, if necessary. (10:55 pm)

No action was taken

Discussion/Action on Superintendent Evaluation Instrument and Superintendent Contract Extension

The Board approved the Superintendent Evaluation Instrument, as presented, on a motion by Kim Scales to accept the Superintendent Evaluation Instrument as presented, seconded by Tammie Cox, passed unanimously. (10:56 pm)

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 to table the Superintendent Contract Extension on a motion by Dale Wilkerson, seconded by Andrea Procella-Heslip, passed unanimously. (10:56 pm)

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

199 00 3600 00 000 6 00000                      \$    2,361.00

199 00 7913 00 000 6 00000                      \$  74,174.00

199 71 6512 53 999 6 99Q00                      \$( 2,361.00)

199 11 6399 53 999 6 11000                      \$( 74,174.00)

To amend budget for Apple Lease Payment and Lease Proceeds

The Board approved the Budget Amendment # 2 for the 2025 - 2026 School Year on a motion by Kim Scales, seconded by Gary R. Parks, passed unanimously. (10:57 pm)

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

Votes against: none

There being no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 10:58 p.m. on a motion by Gary R. Parks, seconded by Dale Wilkerson, 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