

LINDALE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Board of Trustees of the Lindale Independent School District met in a Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, May 11, 2026, at the Lindale ISD Administration Building.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. Mike Combs, President

**INVOCATION:** Mr. Jeremy Chilek

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. Mike Combs, President  
Mr. Robert McGee, Vice President  
Dr. Karen Gott, Secretary  
Mr. Brooks Beeler  
Mr. Daniel Deslatte  
Mr. Jeremy Strickland

**SCHOOL OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Mr. Stan Surratt, Superintendent  
Mr. Jeremy Chilek, Assistant Superintendent  
Mrs. Michelle Carver, Director of Business Finance

**CANVASS THE MAY 2, 2026 BOARD ELECTIONS:**

Motion was made by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Beeler to approve the canvass of the May 2, 2026 Board election.

Ayes: Mr. Combs, Mr. McGee, Dr. Deslatte, Mr. Beeler and Mr. Strickland  
Abstained: Dr. Gott.

**ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO NEW BOARD MEMBERS:**

Judge James Cowart administered the Oath of Office to newly elected board members.

Andy Ford  
Karen Gott

**REORGANIZATION OF BOARD:**

Motion was made by Mr. Beeler, seconded by Dr. Deslatte to re-elect Mike Combs as President, Robert McGee as Vice-President and Karen Gott as Secretary. Motion carried unanimously.

Newly elected officers:  
President – Mike Combs  
Vice President – Robert McGee  
Secretary – Karen Gott

**ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA:**

Motion was made by Dr. Gott, seconded by Mr. McGee, to adopt the consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

At 6:06 p.m. the President of the Board of Trustees announced that a closed meeting would be held for the purpose of consideration of matters for which closed meetings are authorized in Texas Government Code Section 551.074 under the "Open Meetings Law," whereupon the following matters were discussed:

1. Personnel
  - a. Consider and Act Upon Superintendent's Recommendation Regarding Employee Resignations
  - b. Consider and Act Upon Superintendent's Recommendation Regarding Employment of Personnel

**OPEN SESSION:**

Upon completion of discussion of the above-mentioned matters, the board meeting was reconvened in open session at 7:00 p.m.

Invocation: Mr. Chilek

Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Combs

Motion was made by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Dr. Gott to approve the superintendent's recommendation regarding the list of resignations and retirements as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

A copy of the list is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Motion was made by Mr. Ford, seconded by Dr. Gott to approve the superintendent's recommendation regarding the list of personnel for employment as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

A copy of the list is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

**LINDALE ISD SPOTLIGHT PROGRAM:**

Roy McKenzie introduced students who participated in UIL academics. Keri McKenzie introduced students who were a part of the One Act Play.

**HEARING OF PATRONS:**

Crystal Green spoke to the board concerning the Archery Program at the high school.

**CONSIDER AND ACT UPON MOU BETWEEN LINDALE ISD AND TYLER JUNIOR COLLEGE:**

Motion was made by Mr. Beeler, seconded by Dr. Gott to approve the MOU between Lindale ISD and Tyler Junior College outlining the roles and responsibilities of the College and School District for the Dual Credit Program.

Ayes: Mr. Combs, Mr. McGee, Dr. Gott, Mr. Beeler, Dr. Deslatte and Mr. Ford  
Abstained: Mr. Strickland

A copy of the MOU is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

**CONSIDER AND ACT UPON BUS PURCHASE:**

Motion was made by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Ford to approve the purchase of two full size busses and one special education bus from Longhorn Bus Sales for \$480,991.

Motion carried unanimously.

A copy of the bid sheet is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

**CONSIDER AND ACT UPON BUDGET AMENDMENT:**

Motion was made by Dr. Deslatte, seconded by Mr. McGee to approve the budget amendment as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

A copy of the budget amendment is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

**CONSIDER AND ACT UPON TENNIS COURT RESURFACING:**

Motion was made by Mr. Beeler, seconded by Mr. Ford to approve the bid of \$46,433.86 from Ike Anders Tennis Services for resurfacing of tennis courts.

Motion carried unanimously.

Copies of the bid sheets are attached to and made a part of these minutes.

**CONSIDER AND ACT UPON DONATION:**

Motion was made by Dr. Gott, seconded by Mr. Strickland to approve the donation of \$5,000 for Wings of Eagles.

Motion carried unanimously.

**BUSINESS DISCUSSION:**

- Michelle Tate gave a detailed financial report.
- Advanced Academic Report was given by Melisa Dukes
- Safety Plan updates and steps taken in providing training for staff was reported.

At 7:50 p.m. the board took a break before beginning a budget workshop.

At 8:05 p.m. the board began the budget workshop.

There being no other business, the President of the Board of Trustees adjourned the meeting at 9:18 p.m.



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President, Board of Trustees

  
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Secretary, Board of Trustees