

**WICHITA FALLS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES WFISD ADMINISTRATION
BUILDING – BOARD ROOM
WORK SESSION MEETING MARCH 2, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING STATEMENT:

The Board of Trustees of the Wichita Falls Independent School District met in a work session meeting on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mr. Mark Lukert, board president.

Board members present: Mr. Mark Lukert, Ms Katherine McGregor, Mr. Jim Johnson, Ms Diann Scroggins, and Ms Susan Grisel. Ms Sandy Camp arrived late to the meeting. Mr. John Barnard was absent. Mr. Lukert noted that a quorum was present and the meeting had been duly called and notice of the meeting had been posted for the time and manner required by law.

Staff members present: Dr. Donny Lee, Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Leah Horton, Chief Financial Officer, Ms. Vanessa Dishman, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, Ms. Ashley Thomas, Communications Officer, Ms. Jennifer Spurgers, Director of Human Resources, Mr. Jeff Hill, Executive Director of Elementary Schools, Ms. Lauren Zotz, Director of Purchasing, Chief Anthony Smith, WFISD PD, Ms. Alefia Paris-Toulon, Executive Director of Special Programs, Ms Trish Potts, Internal Auditor, Mr. Curtis Shahan, Director of Technology and Mr. John Strenski, Safety Coordinator

Others present: Media- KFDX-3 and Mr. Cecil Underwood with Times Record News.

INVOCATION:

Ms. Susan Grisel gave the invocation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

REPORTS AND SPECIAL DISCUSSION

INTRUDER DETECTION AUDIT REPORT FINDINGS

Mr. John Strenski provided the Wichita Falls Independent School District Board of Trustees and the public with notification that an Intruder Detection Audit was conducted by the Texas School Safety Center at a WFISD Campus and due to student safety concerns will present specific findings to board in closed session as submitted by Anthony Smith, Chief of Police, and recommended by Dr. Donny Lee, Superintendent.

FINANCIAL SERVICES:

FINANCIAL REPORTS AS OF JANUARY 2026

Ms Susan Grisel, seconded by Mr. Jim Johnson, motioned that the Wichita Falls Independent School District Board of Trustees approves the attached year- to-date financial reports and investment reports as submitted by Leah Horton, Chief Financial Officer, and is recommended by Dr. Donny Lee, Superintendent of Schools.

Carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0; Ms. Sandy Camp was not present

BUDGET ADMENDMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2026

Ms Katherine McGregor, seconded by Ms. Diann Scroggins, motioned that the Wichita Falls Independent School District Board of Trustees approve the budget amendments as submitted by Leah Horton, Chief Financial Officer and recommended by Dr. Donny Lee, Superintendent of Schools.

Carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0; Ms. Sandy Camp was not present

AWARD OF CAT2 NETWORK SWITCHING (E-RATE)

Ms. Leah Horton, Chief Financial Officer, requested that the Wichita Falls Independent School District Board of Trustees award RFP 2526-22-S-27 CAT2 Network Switching (E-Rate) to Red River Technology in the amount of \$173,824.70 as submitted by Leah Horton, Chief Financial Officer, and as recommended by Dr. Donny Lee, Superintendent of Schools.

This item will be placed on the consent agenda for the regular meeting on March 16, 2026

PURCHASE OF FURNITURE (MCNIEL ELEMENTARY)

Ms Diann Scroggins, seconded by Ms. Susan Grisel, motioned that the Wichita Falls Independent School District Board of Trustees approve the purchase of furniture in an amount not to exceed \$700,000 from Meteor Education, for the purpose of outfitting McNiel Elementary as submitted by Leah Horton, Chief Financial Officer, and is recommended by Dr. Donny Lee, Superintendent of Schools.

Carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0; Ms. Sandy Camp was not present

PURCHASE OF SKYWARD STUDENT MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT

Ms Katherine McGregor, seconded by Mr. Jim Johnson, motioned that the Wichita Falls Independent School District Board of Trustees extend the district's Software as a Service Agreement with Skyward Inc. for an additional three (3) years, effective July 1, 2026, for a total Skyward student management rate of \$7.26 per student (per year) as submitted by Leah Horton, Chief Financial Officer, and is recommended by Dr. Donny Lee, Superintendent of Schools.

Carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0; Ms. Sandy Camp was not present

PURCHASE SECURITY CAMERAS

Ms Susan Grisel, seconded by Ms. Diann Scroggins, motioned that the Wichita Falls Independent School District Board of Trustees the purchase of security cameras equipment and services in the amount of \$173,280.00 from Howard Technology Solutions, as submitted by Leah Horton, Chief Financial Officer, and is recommended by Dr. Donny Lee, Superintendent of Schools.

Carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0; Ms. Sandy Camp was not present

PURCHASE OF DISTRICT-WIDE PHONE SYSTEM UPGRADE

Ms. Leah Horton, Chief Financial Officer, requested that the Wichita Falls Independent School District Board of Trustees the purchase of a district-wide phone system upgrade from Netsync in the amount of \$390,352.40 as submitted by Leah Horton, Chief Financial Officer, and as recommended by Dr. Donny Lee, Superintendent of Schools.

This item will be placed on the consent agenda for the regular meeting on March 16, 2026

PURCHASE OF IXL LEARNING (2026-2027)

Ms. Leah Horton, Chief Financial Officer, requested that the Wichita Falls Independent School District Board of Trustees the purchase of IXL Learning for educational support of all K-12 students (9,200 students) during the 2026-2027 school year in the amount of \$227,895.00 as submitted by Leah Horton, Chief Financial Officer, and as recommended by Dr. Donny Lee, Superintendent of Schools.

This item will be placed on the consent agenda for the regular meeting on March 16, 2026

PURCHASE OF BLUEBONNET MATH

Ms. Leah Horton, Chief Financial Officer, requested that the Wichita Falls Independent School District Board of Trustees the the purchase of Bluebonnet Math for TEKS-aligned educational support of K-5 students in the 2026-2027 school year

in the amount of \$157,956.35 as submitted by Leah Horton, Chief Financial Officer, and as recommended by Dr. Donny Lee, Superintendent of Schools.

This item will be placed on the consent agenda for the regular meeting on March 16, 2026

Ms. Sandy Camp joined the meeting at 5:21 pm.

HUMAN RESOURCES:

PERSONNEL REPORT

Ms. Jennifer Spurgers, Director of Human Resources, reported to the Wichita Falls Independent School District Board of Trustees a review of employee resignations/retirements that have been submitted since the last Work Session board meeting. The resignations/retirements have been accepted by Dr. Donny Lee, Superintendent of Schools, in accordance with the requirements of Policy DFE (LOCAL).

TEACHER APPLICANT POOL

Mr. Jim Johnson, seconded by Ms. Diann Scroggins, moved that the Wichita Falls Independent School District Board of Trustees approve the proposed teacher applicant pool and addendum.

Carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0

BOARD MATTERS:

BOARD MINUTES:

Dr. Donny Lee, Superintendent of Schools requested that the Wichita Falls Independent School District Board of Trustees approve the proposed minutes of a work session on February 9, 2026, and a regular meeting on February 16, 2026 as submitted by Dr. Donny Lee, Superintendent of Schools.

These items will be placed on the consent agenda for the regular meeting on March 16, 2026

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Ms. Ashley Thomas, Communications Officer, informed the Board of Trustees on the events happening around the district.

RECESS:

Mr. Mark Lukert, board president, recessed the work session to go into closed session at 5:29 pm.

CLOSED SESSION:

1. Personnel Matters Including the Appointment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, Dismissal and/or Compensation of Individual District Employees (Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.074)
2. Discussion Purchase, Exchange, Lease or Value of Real Property (Pursuant to Texas Governmental Code Section 551.072)

ADJOURNED:

With no more action to take, Mr. Mark Lukert, board president, adjourned the meeting from closed session at 6:30 pm.

President, Board of Trustees

Secretary, Board of Trustees