



REGION 18 EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER

2811 La Force Boulevard, Midland, TX 79706

Notice: Of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors Thursday, August 21, 2025 at 11:30 AM, in the Technology Classroom 9/10, 2811 La Force Boulevard, Midland, TX 79706. The Board may retire to executive session at any time between the meeting's opening and adjournment for purposes of deliberating business as authorized in Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Sections 551.071-551.074 and 551.076. Action, if any, will be taken in open session. (Texas Government Code Chapter 551.102)

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Roll Call
4. Audience

5. Swear in Board Members

a) Mr. Carter James - Charter School Representative

(Commissioner Mike Morath appointed Mr. Carter James as the Charter School Representative for a one-year term effective June 1, 2025 through May 31, 2026)

Members will be sworn in by Mr. Oscar Rivera

6. Informational Items

7. Director Reports

a) Dr. Dewitt Smith - Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer

b) Britt Hayes - Chief Financial Officer

1) Financial Statement

The Financial Report is shown in three sections. The first is the Financial Statement, which shows the budget to actual variances for both revenues and expenditures. The Statement of Position uses projected revenues and expenditures to estimate a fund balance at fiscal year-end, August 31, 2025. The third page is an investment report, which reflects investment balances, interest earned and shows a comparison of our interest rates to market trends.

2) Amanda Magallan - Associate Director of Federal Programs & Leadership

3) Casey Ritchie - Chief Technology Officer

c) Linda Jolly - Executive Advisor

d) Jill Rivera - Associate Director of Instruction & School Support

e) Chris Enriquez - Chief Instructional Technology & Analytics Officer

8. Consent Agenda

Region 18 is asking the Board to approve the following items via consent agenda:

a) Consider Approval of Minutes for June 12, 2025, Board Meeting

b) Consider Approval of Budget Amendment #6

c) Consider Approval of 2025-2026 Intergovernmental Contracts

d) Consider Approval of 2025-2026 Interlocal Agreement (Exchange)

e) Consider Approval of R18-2025-06-000050 (Legal Framework for Child-Centered Special Education Program)

f) Consider Approval of RFQ: R18-2025-07-000052 (Project Management & Web Application Development)

g) Consider Approval of Furniture Auction Results

9. Action Items

a) Consider Approval of Initial 2025-2026 Budget

Chapter 8.003(f) of the Texas Education Code requires that the Service Center adopt an annual budget. A detailed budget for 2024-2025 is included for consideration.

b) Consider Approval of Designation of Funds for Committed Fund Balance

Information regarding designation of funds for Committed Fund Balance is attached for consideration and discussion.

c) Consider Approval of 2025-2026 Employee Benefits

Attached is a copy of the BCBS information for 2025-2026 and a summary of insurance plans available to staff for consideration. Region 18 currently pays \$525 per month per employee. Region 18 is seeking a one-year, \$100 monthly increase to the employee health care credit, raising it to \$625 per month.

d) Consider Approval of 2025-2026 Salaries

Region 18 is providing information for Board consideration of 2025-2026 employee salaries.

e) Consider Approval of Revised Board Policy Update #31

Explanatory Notes for ESC Localized Policy Manual Update 31 as recommended by TASB and approved by Region 18 ESC attorneys are attached for review.

10. Executive Session

a) Personnel

b) Consultation with Region 18 ESC general counsel to seek and receive legal advice regarding pending legal matters including, but not limited to, personnel matters and/or pending or contemplated litigation. (Closed Session under Tex. Gov't Code 551.071)

11. Adjourn Meeting

The next Regular meeting of the Region 18 ESC Board of Directors is scheduled for October 2, 2025.