

Agenda of Special Meeting

The Board of Trustees Mineral Wells Independent School District

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Mineral Wells Independent School District will be held Wednesday, April 30, 2025, beginning at 5:30 PM in the District Services Complex | Conference Room .

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

1. **Call to Order/Establish Quorum**
2. **Closed Session - Texas Government Code 551.074**
 - A. Texas Government Code 551.074
 - 1) Employment/Appointment/Reassignment/Evaluation/Compensation/Duties of Personnel
 - 2) Renewal/Nonrenewal/Assignment/Reassignment/Probationary Status/Return to Probationary Status/Continuing Status of District Personnel
3. **Open Session**
4. **Public Comment**
5. **Action Item: Discuss, Consider, and Take Any Necessary Action Regarding the Approval of the Board Resolution Authorizing Sale of Property Specifically Described as Approximately 2.242 Acres of Real Property Out of the T. & P. R.R. Co. Survey, Section No. 13, E.O.B., Abstract No. 701, Palo Pinto County, Texas: Being a Portion of Mineral Wells ISD's Called 23.185 Acres Tract of Land as Described in Volume 833, Page 822, Official Public Records, Palo Pinto County, Texas (the "Property"), More Particularly Described in Exhibit A. The Seller Will Retain All Mineral Rights** **2**
Presenter: David Tarver, Superintendent
6. **Action Item: Discuss, Consider, and Take Any Necessary Action to Approve Minutes of the April 14, 2025, Regular Board Meeting** **4**
Presenter: David Tarver, Superintendent
7. **Vote on Closed Session Items**
8. **Adjournment**



BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Agenda Item

MEETING DATE: 4/30/25

MEETING TYPE:

- Regular Meeting
- Special Meeting

AGENDA ITEM TYPE:

- Action Item
- Non-Action Item

BOARD GOALS (check all that apply)

Academic Goals

- Academic Competitiveness
 - Early Literacy (HB3)
 - Early Math (HB3)
 - Other
- Career Certifications (HB3)

Operational Goals

- Promote Community/School Partnerships
- Fiscal Responsibility
- Safe and Secure Schools

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RECOMMENDED ACTION: It is recommended that the Resolution Approving the Sale of Real Property described as approximately 2.242 acres tract of land out of the T. & P. R.R. Co. SURVEY, SECTION No. 13, E.O.B., ABSTRACT No. 701, Palo Pinto County, Texas: being a portion of Mineral Wells I.S.D.'s called 23.185 acres tract of land.

BOARD POLICY/STATE REGULATION/LAW REFERENCE (if applicable): Board Policy CDB(LEGAL), Texas Education Code 11.154, Local Gov't Code 272.001(a), (d)

OVERVIEW:

A board may authorize the sale of any property, other than minerals, held in trust for free school purposes.

In most cases, before land owned by a district may be sold or exchanged for other land, notice to the general public of the offer of the land for sale or exchange must be published in a newspaper of general circulation in either the county in which the land is located or, if there is no such newspaper, in an adjoining county. The notice must be published in two separate dates and the sale or exchange may not be made until after the 14th day after the date of the second publication. The board is not required to accept any bid or offer or to complete a sale or exchange.

The land under consideration is raw and unused, and not currently needed by Mineral Wells ISD for any purpose. If sold, this parcel could be returned to school tax rolls and could be used for productive purposes as the city of Mineral Wells sees development occurring in various locations around the city.

FISCAL IMPACT: Immediate financial gain of atleast the appraised value of the land(appraisal to be pursued if approved), plus increase to school tax rolls

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution

DEPARTMENT(S) SUBMITTING FORM: Superintendent

DEPARTMENT SIGNATURE/APPROVAL: 

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
MINERAL WELLS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of the Mineral Wells Independent School District (the “District”) is authorized by Texas Education Code § 11.51 to govern and oversee the management of the public schools in the District; and

WHEREAS, under Texas Education Code § 11.151(c) all rights and titles to the real property of the District are vested in the Board and their successors in office; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Education Code §§ 11.151(c) and 11.154(a), the Board may dispose of property that is no longer necessary for the operation of the District and may, by resolution, authorize the sale of such property; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code § 272.001 and Board Policy CDB (Legal), the District seeks to sell a parcel of land which is referred to herein as the “Property” and which is legally described as 2.242 acres of real property out of the T. & P. R.R. Co. Survey, Section No. 13, E.O.B., Abstract No. 701, Palo Pinto County, Texas: being a portion of Mineral Wells ISD’s called 23.185 acres tract of land as described in Volume 833, Page 822, Official Public Records, Palo Pinto County, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the Property is no longer needed for educational purposes and operation of the District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code §272.001 and Board Policy CDB (Legal), the District seeks to sell the Property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MINERAL WELLS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT:

RESOLVED, the Board fully authorizes the sale of the Property as it is no longer needed for the educational purposes and operation of the District; and

RESOLVED, the Board authorizes and directs the Superintendent or designee to execute all documents necessary to complete the sale and transfer the aforementioned Property, pursuant to Texas Education Code §11.154 and Local Government Code §272.001.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 29th day of April, 2025, by the Board of Trustees for the Mineral Wells Independent School District.

By: _____
Sunny Lee, Board President

Attest: Donna Henderson, Board Secretary



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TITLE: Discuss, Consider, and Take Any Action Necessary Action Regarding the Minutes of April 14, 2025 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

RECOMMENDED ACTION: It is recommended that the April 14, 2025 Regular Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees be approved as presented.

BOARD POLICY/STATE REGULATION/LAW REFERENCE (if applicable): BE(LOCAL)

OVERVIEW:

Review and approve minutes from April 14, 2025 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

ATTACHMENTS: Minutes

DEPARTMENT(S) SUBMITTING FORM: Superintendent

DEPARTMENT SIGNATURE/APPROVAL:

**MINERAL WELLS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINERAL WELLS, TEXAS**

SUBJECT: Minutes of Workshop/Regular Board Meeting
PLACE: Boardroom/District Services Complex
DATE: April 14, 2025
TIME: 5:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Sunny Lee, President
Maria Jones
Joe Ruelas
Donna Henderson
Brandon Hons
Scott Aaron

Board Members Absent: Laretta Poole, Vice President

Central Administrators Present: David Tarver, Superintendent
Angie Myrick, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services
Natalie Griffin, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources
Justic Lascsak, Director of Technology
Karyn Bullock, Director of Communications
Lindsey Wells, Director of Curriculum

Call to Order/Establish Quorum: The regular meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Sunny Lee, President. Let the record show that a quorum of board members was present, that this meeting had been duly called, and that notice of this meeting had been posted.

Closed Session – Texas Government Code 551.074: The Board adjourned into closed session at 6:17 p.m. No action was taken during closed session.

Open Session: The Board reconvened in open session at 7:07 p.m.

Prayer Donna Henderson opened the meeting with prayer.

Pledges – U.S./Texas The Board led the audience to the Pledges of Allegiance.

Mission and Vision Statements Joe Ruelas read the Mission and Vision Statement.

Public Comment Kristin Savage voiced serious concerns about the treatment of students, particularly those with special needs, at Houston Elementary in the Mineral's Independent School District (ISD). She argued that there is a disparity in the treatment of "normal" students versus those with behavioral disorders, who are subjected to being isolated in rooms while teachers supervise from outside. Mrs. Savage criticized school administrators for dismissing parental concerns and highlighted teachers' inaction in addressing students' distress. She questioned the silence of board members and the superintendent, calling for immediate accountability and changes in staff training to prioritize the well-being of all students. Mrs. Savage demanded that the school board

take her allegations seriously and put an end to the harmful practices currently in place.

Tegan Reese expresses that she loves Mineral Wells ISD and even expressed some great experiences but today she wanted to express her serious concerns about the treatment of children within the Houston Elementary campus, especially regarding mistreatment, bullying, and insufficient support for neurodivergent students. While acknowledging the dedication of some teachers and staff, Reese points out that not all students and parents share positive experiences, urging the administration to pay attention to the voices of those suffering misunderstandings and bullying. She recounts the struggles faced in securing adequate support for her child, who experienced bullying for two years. Reese criticizes the system's reactive approach and emphasizes the necessity for proactive measures to ensure all children receive appropriate emotional support and intervention. Mrs. Reese calls for genuine efforts to improve how schools manage these issues and encourages school leaders to observe classroom interactions to better understand the challenges students encounter.

Dennis Carter shares a series of concerns about their children's education. They recount how their son was placed in a classroom with older students and struggled, expressing frustration with the school's handling of his learning needs. The parent also discusses their daughter's experience, including issues with attendance and credit recognition, as well as a racist incident in the classroom that was not adequately addressed by the school. They feel their children's education is suffering due to these various challenges.

Special Recognition:

MWISD Partner in Education

Ricardo Mexican Restaurant
Super Recuerdos Market & Restaurant, owned by Francisco Gonzales, has been recognized for its exceptional support of the MWISD Girls Soccer Team, particularly during Senior Night when they sponsored a special breakfast for the athletes. Mr. Gonzales further honored the team's Players of the Game, highlighting their hard work and achievements. Super Recuerdos exemplifies what it means to be a true Partner in Education, fostering both physical and emotional encouragement for students. Mineral Wells ISD expresses heartfelt gratitude for their commitment and we look forward to more collaborative celebrations of student success.

Taqueria La Estrella

We are highlighting Adrian, the owner of Taqueria La Estrella, for his exceptional generosity towards the Rams Soccer team. For Senior Night, Adrian treated the players to a memorable meal that was not only delicious but also filled with warmth and kindness, allowing the team to bond and celebrate together. In appreciation, Coach Borjon and the team presented Adrian with a Rams shirt, although the gratitude for his heartfelt hospitality goes beyond any token. Adrian's contributions make him an invaluable part of our school community, and we thank him for his support.

Choir and Band State Recognition

Karyn Bullock Recognized the MWISD State Solo and Ensemble Qualifiers in Band and Choir, she proudly honored our exceptional student musicians who advanced to the UIL Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest with Superior Ratings at the regional level. These talented individuals showcase outstanding dedication, discipline, and artistry, embodying the excellence of MWISD Fine Arts.
Top-Rated Soloists Advancing to State Choir

Iana Echanique, Breanna Grogan, Caroline Shoemaker, Emma Wagoner, Zoe Kohl
State-Qualifying Choir
Emma Wagoner, Lily Moon, Sabra Thomas, Iana Echanique, Madison Rodriguez
Audrey Smith, Lilianna Kuhn, Lyndon Grant, Hector Lopez, Josh Kelley
Percussion Ensemble (State Qualifiers)
Kain Griffin, Hagen Hall, Haven Torres, Jonah Washington
Top-Rated Band Solos
Keyboard Percussion Solo by Liam Batchelor
Jonah Washington - Multiple Percussion Solo
State-Qualifying Ensembles
Flute Quartet: Sidney Menchaca, Aleyda Mendez, Kimberly Slaughter, Skylor Surber
Trombone Choir: Logan Bennett, Zain Jimenez, Jeremiah Norman, Alex Perez, Bryson
Red Eagle, Carlos Tamez, Conner Tucker, David Wolfe.

Apple Corps Recognition

Superintendent Mr. Tarver recognized an exceptional group of teachers from Mineral Wells ISD who have been honored as Apple Corps recipients. Board President Sunny Lee read the Apple Corps Proclamation, celebrating the achievements of these educators who have made significant contributions to their school community. Each Campus Principal expressed their pride in their respective Apple Corps recipient, highlighting the positive impact these teachers have had. The recognized recipients include Cassandra Jackson, Lacy Pruitt, Martha Buck, Crystal Herring, and Keegan McCarddy, all of whom have demonstrated outstanding dedication and excellence in their roles.

President's Report

Continuing Education Summary Report for the reporting period May 1, 2024-April 30, 2025

Board Members are required to complete continuing education in seven training areas. Sunny Lee, President, reported the following completion or deficiency as to required training for each board member:

The following board members satisfied all requirements: Sunny Lee, Brandon Hons, Joe Ruelas, Donna Henderson, Laretta Poole, Maria Jones

The following board members exceeded training requirements: Sunny Lee, Brandon Hons, Joe Ruelas, Donna Henderson, Laretta Poole, Maria Jones

The following board member is deficient in obtaining the required training hours: Scott Aaron – Orientation to the Texas Education Code, Evaluating Student Academic Performance and Setting Goals, Identifying and Reporting Abuse, Trafficking and the Maltreatment of Children, School Safety, and Additional Continuing Education Hours.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Tarver stated that the district currently has 3,292 enrolled students, with a record-high attendance rate of 95.39%. High School 94.73%, the Academy 86.55%, and Junior High attained 95.74%. Travis 95.18%, Houston 96.71%, with Lamar following at 95.81. Truly proud of all the campuses and everyone contributing.

Action Items:

Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Monthly Financial Reports and Accounts Payable Listing
- B. Investment Report
- C. Water/Electricity/Gas Reports
- D. Minutes of the April 14, 2025, Regular Board Meeting

Joe Ruelas moved and Scott Aaron seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda items as presented. ***The motion passed 6-0. (copies attached)***

Discuss, Consider and Take Any Necessary Action Regarding the Estimated \$6,000.00 Parker-Hannifin Foundation Grant Designated for the CTE Welding Program

Joe Ruelas moved and Maria Jones seconded a motion to approve the Parker-Hannifin Foundation Grant for the CTE Welding Program. ***The motion passed 5-1, while Scott Aaron abstained. (copies attached)***

Discuss, Consider and Take Any Necessary Action Regarding the Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials Survey 2025-2026

Maria Jones moved and Scott Aaron seconded a motion to approve the Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials. ***The motion passed 6-0. (copies attached)***

Discuss, Consider and Take Any Necessary Action Regarding the Signing of Contract with Education Elements, Approved Provider for Services Through LASO Cycle 3 Strong Foundations Planning Grant

Donna Henderson moved and Maria Jones seconded a motion to approve the Contract with Education Elements, Approved Provider for Services through LASO Cycle Strong Foundations Grant. ***The motion passed 6-0. (copies attached)***

Discuss, Consider, and Take Any Necessary Action Regarding a Waiver for Low Attendance

Joe Ruelas moved and Scott Aaron seconded a motion to approve the waiver for low attendance on February 19, 2025 when district attendance fell to 78% due to illnesses. ***The motion passed 6-0. (copies attached)***

Discuss, Consider and Take Any Necessary Action Regarding the Memorandum of Understanding with Weatherford College Dual Credit Partnership

Scott Aaron moved and Maria Jones seconded a motion to approve the Weatherford College Dual Credit MOU. ***The motion passed 6-0. (copies attached)***

Discuss, Consider, and Take Any Necessary Action Regarding a Master Interlocal Agreement and Contract for Services between Mineral Wells ISD and Region 11 Education Service Center

Scott Aaron moved and Maria Jones seconded a motion to approve the Master Interlocal Agreement and Contract for Services between Mineral Wells and Region 11 ESC. ***The motion passed 6-0. (copies attached)***

Information Only:

Mr. Tarver highlighted that the calendar can be easily accessed on the district's official website, making it a convenient resource for students, parents, and staff.

**Action Item:
Vote on Closed Session Items**

Maria Jones moved and Donna Henderson seconded a motion to approve all administrator contracts for renewal (Exhibit A). ***The motion passed 6-0. (copies attached)***

Maria Jones moved and Brandon Hons seconded a motion to approve all new hires (Exhibit B). ***The motion passed 6-0. (copies attached)***

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Joe Ruelas and seconded by Donna Henderson, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m. ***The motion passed 6-0.***

Sunny Lee, President

Donna Henderson, Secretary