

**Covington Independent School District**  
**Tuesday, July 22, 2025**

The Board of Trustees of Covington Independent School District held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July 22, 2025 at Covington ISD, High School Building

501 N Main St

Covington, TX 76636.

Present: Chris Lidster, President, Shane Johnson, Vice President, Jean Martin, Secretary, Georgia Whittington, Kevin Ray, Dusty McLain, Andy Lopez, and Superintendent Dr. Christopher Heskett. Absent:

Guests present:

The meeting was called to order at \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Establish quorum
2. Invocation
3. Administer Oath of office to newly appointed Board member, Duane Wines.
4. Public Forum - Persons desiring to address the Board must complete a public comment card prior to the start of the meeting and submit it to the presiding officer. No presentations shall exceed 3 minutes. The board cannot deliberate on any subject that is not included on this agenda.
5. Consent Agenda
  - A. Minutes of Meetings held on June 9, 2025, June 23, 2025, July 2, 2025, and July 18, 2025.
  - B. School Accounts
  - C. Monthly Bills
6. Reports to the Board
  - A. Superintendent's report
    1. Monthly Maintenance
    - B. High School Principal's report
      1. Discussion of Testing and Accountability - Tracie Stewart
      2. Athletics report
      3. Ag Science report
    - C. Elementary Principal's report
  7. Discuss parking permits
  8. Action Items:
    - A. Consider approving a LOCAL policy that a student enrolled in a private school, including a homeschool, shall not be eligible for concurrent enrollment in the District nor for participation in curricular or extracurricular activities. [See FD and FM].
    - B. Discuss and consider implementing new local telecommunication devices policies to comply with House Bill 1481, a state law prohibiting student use of personal communication devices during the school day. Review the law's requirements and develop specific policies to address local needs with a focus on balancing the need for a focused learning environment with the practical considerations of daily school life.
    - C. Consider action on District pay scales for 2025-2026 school year
    - D. Consider action on TASB Risk Management Fund for Auto, Property and Liability Insurance for the 2025-2026 school year
    - E. Consider action on Student Code of Conduct for 2025-26 school year
    - F. Consider action to add, revise, or delete (LOCAL) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 125 in regards to the following local policies: **BDAA**(LOCAL): OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS - DUTIES AND REQUIREMENTS OF BOARD OFFICERS; **BDB**(LOCAL): BOARD INTERNAL ORGANIZATION -

BOARD COMMITTEES; **BDF**(LOCAL): BOARD INTERNAL ORGANIZATION - ADVISORY COMMITTEES; **EI**(LOCAL): ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT; **FDE**(LOCAL): ADMISSIONS - SCHOOL SAFETY TRANSFERS; **FEC**(LOCAL): ATTENDANCE - ATTENDANCE FOR CREDIT

- G. Consider action on Hill County Extension Services Adjunct Faculty Agreement
- H. Consider action on Hill County Extension Service's request for a Resolution for Extracurricular Status of 4-H Organization
- I. Discuss/Consider approving issuance of a school credit card and spending limit as recommended by Pam Frazier for Kim Boop, Josh Jones, and Piper Reyna and increase Joel Blalock's spending limit.
- 9. Executive Session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, pursuant to **Texas Government Code Section 551.074**, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.
  - A. 551.074 - Report of employee changes since June 9, 2025 board meeting. Superintendent hired Jana Dixon, Kaylee Johnson, Steve Maddock, Tara Gardner, Kim Boop, and accepted the resignation of Darren Mayes.
  - B. 551.074 - Discussion of addendum to Joel Blalock's term certified administrator contract.
- 10. Action on Executive Session Items
  - A. Consider approval of an addendum to Joel Blalock's term certified administrator contract.
- 11. Adjourn

MEETING ADJOURNED at \_\_\_\_\_.

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President, Chris Lidster

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Secretary, Jean Martin