



**Alex Public Schools**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Superintendent's Office, Alex Board Of Education Administration Building, 209 Second St,**  
**Alex, OK 73002**  
**Wednesday, April 8, 2026 at 6:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

1. Call meeting to order.

2. Roll call.

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM. Laurie Drennan: Present, Skyler Foster: Absent, Kelby Ketchum: Present, Amy McLemore: Present, Jonathan Mills: Present, Devery Pettit: Present.

3. Presentation by Alex STUCO.

4. Present Amy McLemore with Service award for 5 years service on the Board of Education.

5. New board member, Jonathan Mills, to take the loyalty oath.

6. Discussion and possible action to reorganize school board officer seats.

Motion was made to appoint Skyler Foster as President. This motion, made by Kelby Ketchum and seconded by Laurie Drennan, Carried.

Laurie Drennan: Yea, Skyler Foster: Yea, Kelby Ketchum: Yea, Jonathan Mills: Yea, Devery Pettit: Yea

Motion was made to appoint Kelby Ketchum as Vice-President. This motion, made by Laurie Drennan and seconded by Devery Pettit, Carried.

Laurie Drennan: Yea, Skyler Foster: Yea, Kelby Ketchum: Yea, Jonathan Mills: Yea, Devery Pettit: Yea

Motion was made to appoint Laurie Drennan as Clerk. This motion, made by Kelby Ketchum and seconded by Devery Pettit, Carried.

Laurie Drennan: Yea, Skyler Foster: Yea, Kelby Ketchum: Yea, Jonathan Mills: Yea, Devery Pettit: Yea

7. Consent Agenda: All of the following items, which concern report or items of a routine nature normally approved at Board Meetings, will be approved by one board vote, unless any Board Member desires to have a separate vote on any or all of these items. The consent agenda consists of the discussion, consideration, and approval of the following items:

Motion to approve Consent Agenda. This motion, made by Kelby Ketchum and seconded by Laurie Drennan, Carried.

Laurie Drennan: Yea, Skyler Foster: Yea, Kelby Ketchum: Yea, Amy McLemore: Yea, Jonathan Mills: Yea, Devery Pettit: Yea

a. Approval-Disapproval of the April Regular Board Meeting Agenda.

- b. Approval-Disapproval of the March Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
- c. Approval-Disapproval of the March Treasurer's Financial Report.
- d. Approval-Disapproval of the March Monthly Financial Object Summary and Revenue Receipts Register.
- e. Approval-Disapproval of the March Purchase Order Summary.
- f. Approval-Disapproval of the April Warrant Register.
- g. Approval-Disapproval of the March Activity Fund Account.

8. Proposed Executive Session: The provision of 25 O.S. Section 307 (8) is to list reasons for an executive session: Section (B) (1)

Attendance Update Taken at 6:30 PM. Skyler Foster: Present.

- a. Discuss the following 12-month Certified employees for the 2026-27 school year.
  - 1. Guy Heldermon
- b. Discuss the following 12-month non-certified employees for the 2026-27 school year.
  - 1. Roger Merchant
  - 2. Tommy Perez
  - 3. Brandy Venable
- c. Discuss the following 11-month certified employees for the 2026-27 school year.
  - 1. Charissa Byrne
  - 2. Isaac Byrne
  - 3. Angela Mainka
- d. Discuss the following 11-month non-certified employees for the 2026-27 school year
  - 1. Diana Boatwright
  - 2. Jesse Graham
  - 3. Bea Hurd
  - 4. Cerissa Otey
  - 5. Rachel Snyder
- e. Discuss the following 10-month certified employees for the 2026-27 school year.
  - 1. Jacob Otey
  - 2. Susan Moore
  - 3. Landon Lewis
  - 4. Tena Jordan

5. Victoria James
6. Tracy James
7. Tracy Goyne
8. Jessica Nunez
9. Misty Anglin
10. Kenneth Deaton
11. Ellen Ives
12. Dakota Bryen
13. Valerie McCauley
14. Lori Pettijohn
15. Mark Prince
16. Elizabeth Rhyne
17. Lana Simon
18. Gena Smith
19. Jill Stidham
20. Baylee Sturgell
21. Aubrey Wallace
22. Aiden Bagwell

f. Discuss the following 10-month non-certified employees for the 2026-27 school year

1. Hanna Sullivan
2. Pat Miller
3. Tiffani Harder
4. Tina Castor
5. Lindy Bishop
6. Mark Anderson
7. Amanda Chambers
8. Chrystal Cook
9. Elizabeth Paulus
10. Laura Rios
11. Mikayla Stinnett

12. Pepper Tolson

g. Discuss the following 10-month certified temporary employees for the 2026-27 school year.

1. Courtney Shaffer

2. Kimberley Payne

9. Vote to convene into Executive Session.

Motion to convene into Executive Session. This motion, made by Laurie Drennan and seconded by Devery Pettit, Carried.

Laurie Drennan: Yea, Skyler Foster: Yea, Kelby Ketchum: Yea, Amy McLemore: Yea, Jonathan Mills: Yea, Devery Pettit: Yea

10. Executive Session minutes' compliance announcement.

11. Approve/disapprove to rehire or table employment of the following 12-month Certified employees for the 2026-27 school year.

Motion was made to approve. This motion, made by Kelby Ketchum and seconded by Skyler Foster, Carried.

Laurie Drennan: Yea, Skyler Foster: Yea, Kelby Ketchum: Yea, Jonathan Mills: Yea, Devery Pettit: Yea

a. Guy Heldermon- Ag Teacher

12. Approve/disapprove to rehire or table employment for the following 12-month non-certified employees for the 2026-27 school year.

Motion was made to approve a-c. This motion, made by Skyler Foster and seconded by Devery Pettit, Carried.

Laurie Drennan: Yea, Skyler Foster: Yea, Kelby Ketchum: Yea, Jonathan Mills: Yea, Devery Pettit: Yea

a. Roger Merchant- Maintenance

b. Tommy Perez- Maintenance

c. Brandy Venable- Administrative Assistant

13. Approve/disapprove to rehire or table employment for the following 11-month certified employees for the 2026-27 school year.

Motion was made to approve a-c. This motion, made by Kelby Ketchum and seconded by Laurie Drennan, Carried.

Laurie Drennan: Yea, Skyler Foster: Yea, Kelby Ketchum: Yea, Jonathan Mills: Yea, Devery Pettit: Yea

a. Charissa Byrne- Counselor

b. Isaac Byrne- Athletic Director/ MS/HS Teacher

c. Angela Mainka- SPED Director

14. Approve/disapprove to rehire or table employment for the following 11-month non-certified employees for the 2026-27 school year.

Motion was made to approve a through e. This motion, made by Skyler Foster and seconded by Kelby Ketchum, Carried.

Laurie Drennan: Yea, Skyler Foster: Yea, Kelby Ketchum: Yea, Jonathan Mills: Yea, Devery Pettit: Yea

- a. Diana Boatwright- HS Secretary
- b. Jesse Graham- Janitor
- c. Bea Hurd- Janitor
- d. Cerissa Otey- Cafeteria Manager
- e. Rachel Snyder- Janitor

15. Approve/disapprove to rehire or table employment for the following 10-month certified employees for the 2026-27 school year.

Motion was made to approve a through v. This motion, made by Kelby Ketchum and seconded by Jonathan Mills, Carried.

Laurie Drennan: Yea, Skyler Foster: Yea, Kelby Ketchum: Yea, Jonathan Mills: Yea, Devery Pettit: Yea

- a. Jessica Nunez- Elementary Teacher
- b. Misty Anglin- MS Teacher
  
- c. Kenneth Deaton- MS/HS Teacher
- d. Ellen Ives- Elementary Teacher
- e. Tracy Goyne- MS/HS Teacher
- f. Tracy James- Elementary Teacher
- g. Victoria James- MS Teacher
- h. Tena Jordan- Elementary Teacher
- i. Dakota Bryen- MS Teacher
- j. Landon Lewis- Music Teacher
- k. Valerie McCauley- STEM Teacher
- l. Susan Moore- MS Teacher
- m. Jacob Otey- MS/HS Teacher
- n. Lori Petijohn- HS Teacher
- o. Mark Prince- HS Teacher
- p. Elizabeth Rhyne- HS Teacher
- q. Lana Simon- Librarian

- r. Gena Smith- Elementary Teacher
- s. Jill Stidham- Elementary Teacher
- t. Baylee Sturgell- Elementary Teacher
- u. Aubrey Wallace- Elementary Teacher
- v. Aiden Bagwell- PE Teacher

16. Approve/disapprove to rehire or table employment for the following 10-month non-certified employees for the 2026-27 school year.

Motion was made to approve a through l. This motion, made by Skyler Foster and seconded by Devery Pettit, Carried.

Laurie Drennan: Yea, Skyler Foster: Yea, Kelby Ketchum: Yea, Jonathan Mills: Yea, Devery Pettit: Yea

- a. Mark Anderson- Bus Driver
- b. Lindy Bishop- Paraprofessional
- c. Tina Castor- Elementary Secretary
- d. Amanda Chambers- Paraprofessional
- e. Chrystal Cook- Paraprofessional
- f. Tiffani Harder- Cafeteria Worker
  
- g. Pat Miller- Librarian Aide
- h. Elizabeth Paulus- Paraprofessional
- i. Laura Rios- Paraprofessional
- j. Mikayla Stinnett- Paraprofessional
- k. Hanna Sullivan- Cafeteria Worker
- l. Pepper Tolson- Paraprofessional

17. Approve/disapprove to rehire or table employment for the following 10-month certified temporary employee for the 2026-27 school year.

- a. Courtney Shaffer- Elementary Teacher

Motion was made to not approve a. This motion, made by Skyler Foster and seconded by Kelby Ketchum, Carried.

Laurie Drennan: Yea, Skyler Foster: Yea, Kelby Ketchum: Yea, Jonathan Mills: Yea, Devery Pettit: Yea

- b. Kimberley Payne- MS/HS Teacher

Motion was made to approve b. This motion, made by Laurie Drennan and seconded by Jonathan Mills, Carried.

Laurie Drennan: Yea, Skyler Foster: Yea, Kelby Ketchum: Yea, Jonathan Mills: Yea, Devery Pettit: Yea

18. Approve/disapprove any resignations to date.

19. Discuss staffing options for next school year.

20. Superintendent Report

21. New Business: Consideration of any new business of an emergency nature, which had not been contemplated at the time of the agenda preparation and cannot be delayed until the next regular meeting of the Alex School Board of Education.

22. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm. This motion, made by Skyler Foster and seconded by Kelby Ketchum, Carried.

Laurie Drennan: Yea, Skyler Foster: Yea, Kelby Ketchum: Yea, Jonathan Mills: Yea, Devery Pettit: Yea

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Skyler Foster, President

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Kelby Ketchum, Vice-President

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Amy McLemore, Clerk

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Laurie Drennan, Member

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Devery Pettit, Member

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Ead Simon, Superintendent

