# LUBBOCK-COOPER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES FOR THE 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR

08-14-25

## 1. Call to Order:

President Paul Ehlers called to order the regular meeting of the Lubbock-Cooper ISD Board of Trustees at 12:01 p.m. in the LCISD Administration Office Board Room, announced a quorum was present, that the meeting had been duly called and that notice of the meeting had been posted in the time and manner required by law. Other Board members present were Koley Schaffner, Amy Punchard, BJ Lewis, Trey Strong, Daniel Castro and Colby Miller.

- Student Spotlight: The Board recognized Campus Students of the Month for Lubbock-Cooper New Hope Academy. Principal Justin Guerrant introduced Ms. Hyatt and Ms. Loveless who recognized two students from New Hope. Each were presented with a certificate by Daniel Castro and LCISD Superintendent Aaron Waldrip.
- 3. Campus Spotlight: Principal of Lubbock-Cooper New Hope Academy, Justin Guerrant presented a short video about New Hope graduates, students reaching high goals, and campus highlights.
- 4. Public Comment: No one requested time to address the Board.
- 5. Report Items:
  - A. Superintendent: Aaron Waldrip
    - 1. Bond Sale Report Mr. Waldrip introduced Paul Jasin with Specialized Public Finance, who gave a brief Bond Sale Report. Assistant Superintendent of Business Operations, Danny Davis, covered the 2C25 Certified Values with board members.
  - B. Deputy Superintendent: Dr. Macy Satterwhite briefed board members on the 2024-2025 State Accountability scores.
  - C. Assistant Superintendent: Danny Davis
    - 1. Construction Update: Mr. Davis provided updates on the progress of construction projects within the district.
    - Financial Report: Mr. Davis gave a brief financial report. He presented a Cash and Investment Report for July and a Bond Report.

6. Public Hearing – 2025-2026 Proposed Budget and 2025 Proposed Tax Rate: At 1:03 p.m., President Paul Ehlers opened the Public Hearing. Assistant Superintendent Danny Davis gave an overview of the 2025-2026 proposed budget and tax rate. After discussion, there was no public comment. The Public Hearing was closed at 1:09 p.m.

## 7. Consent Items:

- A. To Approve Resignations, Replacements and New Hires as presented.
- B. To Approve Minutes for the Regular Called Meeting of July 17, 2025
- C. To Approve the Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of July 30, 2025
- D. To Approve the Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct
- E. To Approve the Lubbock-Cooper ISD Student Code of Conduct
- F. To Approve the Lubbock-Cooper ISD Student Handbook
- G. To Approve the JJAEP MOU Agreement with Lubbock County
- H. To Approve T-TESS Appraisers for the 2025-2026 School Year

**MOTION** was made by BJ Lewis and seconded by Colby Miller to approve Consent Items A through H as presented: Passed 7-0

### 8. Action Items:

A. To Approve the District's Portion of Estimated Infrastructure Costs related to the Construction of the 6<sup>th</sup> Elementary School, Including Roads, Water and Sewer.

**MOTION** was made by Colby Miller and seconded by Trey Strong to move that the Board delegate to the Superintendent the authority to execute an agreement with Thomas Payne for the District to pay fifty percent of the infrastructure costs for the 6th elementary school site, in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000. This approval applies only to this specific project and does not modify the District's standard infrastructure cost arrangements for future developments. Passed 7-0

B. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing Designated District Employees to Engage in outside Contract Work as specified in the Resolution.

Action Item B was tabled.

C. To Approve the agreement for the purchase of attendance credit (option 3) and to delegate contractual authority to the Superintendent.

**MOTION** was made by Amy Punchard and seconded by Daniel Castro as follows:

For the 2025-2026 school year, we delegate contractual authority to obligate the school district under Texas Education Code (TEC) §11.1511(c)(4) to the superintendent, solely for the purpose of obligating the district under TEC, §48.257 and TEC, Chapter 49, Subchapters A and D, and the rules adopted by the commissioner of education as authorized under TEC, 49.006. This included approval of the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit or the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit (Netting Chapter 48 Funding). Passed 7-0

D. To Approve the resolution for the 2025 property tax rate of \$1.1669. \$.6669 for the purpose of maintenance and operation, and \$.50 for the purpose of payment of principal and interest on debts.

**MOTION** was made by Colby Miller and seconded by Trey Strong to approve Action Item D as presented:

Passed 7-0

At 1:37 p.m., Board President Pau Ehlers advised that the Board would move into a Closed Meeting as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act: Texas Government Code Section 551.074. At 1:59 p.m., the Closed Meeting concluded, and the meeting reconvened into Open Session.

### ADJOURN:

At 1:59 p.m., with no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned.

Board President
Board Secretary

Date: 9-18-25