

DALLAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #327
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 21, 2025
ROOM 44

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members answering roll were:

Phillip Butler	Present	Sarah Schaefer	Present
Bob Castillo	Present	Cathie Smith	Present
Scott Faul	Absent	Lee Wibbell	Present
Erica Ferguson	Absent		

Also present were: Mrs. Tucker, Mrs. Woolson, Cristien Balmer, Miriam Miller, Malachi Miller, Mrs. Ryner, and Mrs. Finch.

Scott Faul joined the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

A moment of silence was observed.

Miriam Miller addressed the board and requested that the board revisit the no visitors at lunch policy.

The consent agenda was presented to the board for review. A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Wibbell, to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as amended (Roll Call).

Phillip Butler	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Bob Castillo	Yea	Cathie Smith	Yea
Scott Faul	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Absent		

Motion carried 6 Yeas, 1 Absent

The bills were presented to the Board for payment. A motion was made by Faul, seconded by Butler, to pay the bills as presented (Roll Call).

Phillip Butler	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Bob Castillo	Yea	Cathie Smith	Yea
Scott Faul	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Absent		

Motion carried 6 Yeas, 1 Absent

The Board Member code of conduct rule #5 was read from the IASB Code of Conduct Principles.

Erica Ferguson joined the meeting.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Schaefer, to place the FY26 Preliminary Budget on display as presented.

Phillip Butler	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Bob Castillo	Yea	Cathie Smith	Yea
Scott Faul	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea		

Motion carried 7 Yeas

A motion was made by Ferguson, seconded by Wibbell, to approve the School Improvement Plan for the 2025-2026 school years as presented (Roll Call).

Phillip Butler	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Bob Castillo	Yea	Cathie Smith	Yea
Scott Faul	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea		

Motion carried 7 Yeas

The board had a discussion on outstanding registration fees. The board decided to have September 22nd as the date fees are due or the parent needs to communicate with the school that they want a payment plan. They must make consistent payments until paid in full.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Faul, to approve the exclusion from sports and extracurriculars if school fees are not paid as presented (Roll Call).

Phillip Butler	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Bob Castillo	Yea	Cathie Smith	Yea
Scott Faul	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea		

Motion carried 7 Yeas

A motion was made by Faul, seconded by Schaefer, to approve the District Literacy Plan as presented (Roll Call).

Phillip Butler	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Bob Castillo	Yea	Cathie Smith	Yea
Scott Faul	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea		

Motion carried 7 Yeas

A motion was made by Ferguson, seconded by Faul, to approve the snow removal bid from Don Stark for the 2025-2026 school year as presented (Roll Call).

Phillip Butler	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Bob Castillo	Yea	Cathie Smith	Yea
Scott Faul	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea		

Motion carried 7 Yeas

The board had the opportunity to look over the preliminary bus routes. The routes will be voted on at the September meeting.

The Superintendent report was given to the board.

A motion was made by Butler, seconded by Faul, to enter the Closed Meeting at 7:27 p.m. to discuss items per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)(10)(Roll Call).

Phillip Butler	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Bob Castillo	Yea	Cathie Smith	Yea
Scott Faul	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea		

Motion carried 7 Yeas

A motion was made by Faul, seconded by Schaefer, to leave closed meeting and return to open meeting on August 21, 2025, at 8:06 p.m. (Voice)

A motion was made by Ferguson, seconded by Wibbell, to approve the Personnel Report as amended (Roll Call).

Phillip Butler	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Bob Castillo	Yea	Cathie Smith	Abstain
Scott Faul	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea		

Motion carried 6 Yeas, 1 Abstain

A motion was made by Faul, seconded by Butler, to adjourn at 8:17 p.m. (Voice).

Motion carried 7 Yeas

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held September 18, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

Board President, Bob Castillo

Board Secretary, Erica Stewart

Approved:_____