

**TIOGA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
November 17, 2025      7:00 p.m.  
Tioga High School Library**

- I. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Board President, Dallas Slay.  
Members present: Ryan Walters, Nick Oliver, Billy Smith, James Hurt, Trina Colteryahn and Dallas Slay.  
Absent: Holly Mizer and TEA Conservator, Dr. Karen Wiesman  
Also Present: Superintendent, Josh Ballinger; Principals, Keith Kirkland, Pam Moore and Jana Hansen
- II. **Invocation and Pledge** – led by Billy Smith and Dallas Slay
- III. **Student Recognition** – Elementary Student: Harper Smith / Kindergarten-Sitzes and High School Student – Dominique Oranday – State Cross Country Qualifier
- IV. **Open Forum for Public Comments** – None
- V. **Discussions & Presentations**
  - A. Required Public Notice was presented – Texas Education Agency – Tioga ISD “F” Rating on FIRST (Financial) Rating for Fiscal Year 2024
  - B. Reviewed the Tioga ISD Delinquent Tax Collection Report – Linebarger Law Firm
  - C. Reviewed the Tioga ISD and Grayson College Partnership and 2025 Student Data
  - D. Instructional, Activities and Security Update
    - High School/Kirkland – Getting ready for Benchmark testing at the high school. Biology, Algebra I, English I & 2 and History. Volleyball just finished up their season clinching the Regional Semi Finals Championship and with a school record number of wins, all girls received Academic All District Award. Dominique Oranday competed at the State Cross Country Meet. Beta Club starting back up. PSAT & SAT testing results just came in and we will be looking to see if any qualified for National Merit.
    - Middle School/Moore – Region 10 Security check today and we passed. Veterans Day celebration was a huge success. Student Council Socktober had 1050 socks donated and they are beginning their food drive this week. MS One Act Play got 2<sup>nd</sup> place. MS UIL Academics meet on Dec. 10 & 12. Interim STAAR testing coming up after Thanksgiving Break. We will have a MS and HS combined Christmas Band Concert with Chili Dinner on Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>. Attendance just under 97%. Total 135 enrolled at MS.
    - Elementary School/Hansen – Current have 239 enrolled at elementary. Attendance down a little at 96.33%, 139 students with perfect attendance in October. Two Christmas programs coming up... Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> Pre-K – 1<sup>st</sup> and Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>. Elementary UIL Academic - Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>; had our 1<sup>st</sup> 9 Weeks Award Ceremony for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades.
  - E. Review of Tioga ISD Conservator Report – Dr. Wiesman not available, but will be visiting with Sondra in December to work on Indirect Cost Report and other adjustments needed from Auditors
- VI. **Business Items Requiring Board Action**
  - A. First Reading of TASB Policy Manual Update 126
  - B. Discussion had regarding Tioga ISD (Taxing Unit) Votes for the Grayson Central Appraisal District Board of Directors Open Positions
    - *Motion made by Ryan Walters and seconded by Nick Oliver to award all 14 votes from Tioga ISD to Charlie Williams for the Grayson Central Appraisal District Board of Directors.*  
*FOR: Slay, Hurt, Colteryahn & Oliver*  
*AGAINST: None*
  - C. Consider Meal Preparation Costs and Options for the TISD Early Childhood Development Center and Potential Catering Contract(s).
    - *Motion was made by Trina Colteryahn and seconded by Billy Smith to approve a trial run with Green Apple Catering meal delivery service for January and February.*  
*FOR: Slay, Walters, Hurt & Oliver*  
*AGAINST: None*

- D. Review of Annual Financial Report (Audit) for Fiscal Year 25 presented by Heather LaPoint/Hankins Firm
- *Motion was made by Trina Colteryahn and seconded by Billy Smith to approve the Annual Financial Report for FY25 as presented.*  
*FOR: Slay, Walters, Hurt & Oliver*  
*AGAINST: None*

**VII. Consent Action Items**

- A. Approval of Multi-Region 10 Purchasing Cooperative Interlocal Agreements for 2026-27
- B. Consider Tioga ISD Bus #2 and Other District Supplies and Materials as Surplus and Post these Items for General Public Bidding
- C. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting – October 20
- D. Consider budget Amendment(s) that Require Out of Function Adjustment(s)
- *Motion was made by Billy Smith and seconded Trina Colteryahn to approve the consent items as presented.*
  - *FOR: Slay, Hurt, Walters & Oliver*
  - *AGAINST: None*

**VIII. Superintendent's Report**

- A. SNAP Funding Lapse Supplemented by local churches and coordinated by our former and current Child Nutrition Directors to ensure that none of the families in our community had to do without during the government shutdown.
- B. PEIMS Submissions – Summer submission complete and Fall Submission will be completed before Thanksgiving Break.
- C. Reviewed Financial and Tax Collection Reports for October.

**IX. Executive Session**

Executive Session: If during the course of the meeting covered by this agenda the Board should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Board of Trustees is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.071

**X. Action Regarding Matters Discussed in Executive Session**

**A. Personnel**

- *Motion was made by Trina Colteryahn and seconded by Ryan Walters to approve the change to make the following personnel exempt, contracted employees effective December 1st, 2025 through the end of the 2025-2026 school year:*  
*Kendy Knight, Cindy Hodges, Stormy Luneau and Jodi Corbin.*  
*FOR: Slay, Oliver, Hurt & Smith*  
*AGAINST: None*

**XI. Adjourn**

- *Motion made by Ryan Walters to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Nick Oliver.*  
*FOR: Slay, Colteryahn, Hurt & Smith*  
*AGAINST: None*
- *Meeting adjourned at 8:39 PM.*

  
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Dallas Slay, Board President  
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Ryan Walters, Board Secretary