

**TIOGA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
January 19, 2026 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, Trina Colteryahn and Dallas Slay.
Also Present: Superintendent, Josh Ballinger; Principal, Keith Kirkland
Absent: James Hurt, Holly Mizer, Jana Hansen, Pam Moore and TEA Conservator, Dr. Karen Wiesman
- II. **Invocation and Pledge** – led by Billy Smith
- III. **Student Recognition**
Elementary – 3rd Grade Clark & Eddelman – Emanuele Pinzon
Middle School – 8th Grade - Genesis Herrera
High School – Senior - Marcello Torres – UIL State Congress
- IV. **Open Forum for Public Comments** – None
- V. **District Recognition** – School Board Appreciation Month
- VI. **Discussions & Presentations**
 - A. Required Public Notice was provided – Texas Academic Performance Reports (TAPR) Review for the 2024-25 School Year as Required by TEC 39.306
 - B. Instructional Topics and Student Activities Update – Principals & Athletic Director
 - High School/Kirkland –2nd Semester off to a good start. Working on Master Schedule for next year. FCCLA Project – Women in Stem, 1/26 6-7 PM. One Act Play Rehearsals are underway. We are working to increase the number of students participating in UIL Academic events. Ag contest season is underway.
 - Elementary/Middle School - Mid Year assessments are underway for all and working on plans for areas of weakness. ADA slightly down at 610 from 614 last month.
 - Athletics/Birdwell – Overview of athletic successes for first semester with Cross Country, Football & Volleyball. #1 Goal is for them to leave TISD better versions of themselves. Congrats to our cheerleaders ending up 11th place in all of 2A. We have 25 total offers to continue play at the next level.
 - Financial Standing Review from Tioga ISD Conservator Report – Dr. Wiesman - On track, looking at the financial statements for December we will need to do some budget adjustments due to salaries. Will be going over the Summary of Finance with Sondra & Josh on next visit. Discussed differences due to ADA, will need to make some changes and hold on spending to be ready for the adjustments. Overall, 25-26 Template for FIRST it looks like you will squeak in at passing with a 70. Overall progressing.
 - C. Discussed 2026-27 Tioga ISD District Calendar preparations – Reminder we cannot start before August 24th.
- VII. **Business Items Requiring Board Action**
 - A. Discussion had regarding changing the Regular Monthly Board Meeting Date and Time and Policy BE (LOCAL) and Board Operating Procedures – Potential 2nd Monday Meeting
No Action Taken
 - B. Discussion had regarding Opening an Account with TASB/First Public Lonestar Investment Pool for General Fund to Debt Service Fund Fiscal Management.
*Motion made by Trina Colteryahn and seconded by Ryan Walters to execute a Resolution to open an account with TASB/First Public Lonestar Investment Pool for General Fund to Debt Service Fund Fiscal Management with Josh Ballinger and Sondra Hall as Authorized Representatives.
FOR: Slay, Oliver & Smith
AGAINST: None*
 - C. Discussion had regarding the calling of a May 2, 2026 School Board Election for Tioga ISD Board Member(s) Seat 3 (Walters), Seat 5 (Mizer) & seat 7 (Colteryahn)

Motion was made by Billy Smith and seconded by Trina Colteryahn to order an election for the seats as presented in the May 2nd, 2026 Election.

FOR: Slay, Oliver & Walters

AGAINST: None

VIII. Consent Action Items

- A. Minutes from Previous Meeting – December 15, 2025
- B. TASB Risk Management Fund Renewal & Coverage Details
- C. Most Recent Texas Municipal Reports for Tioga ISD and Tioga PFC
- *Motion was made by Ryan Walter and seconded Billy Smiths to approve the consent items as presented.*

FOR: Slay, Colteryahn & Oliver

AGAINST: None

IX. Superintendent's Report

- A. Reviewed Financial and Tax Collection Reports for December
- B. Gave an overview of the PEIMS Fall Re-Submission and Mid-Year Submission
- C. Stifel Financial – Current Potential for a 2026 Refunding of Lease Obligated (PFC) Bonds – There is no capacity at this time to refund bonds.

X. 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

XI. Action Regarding Matters Discussed in Executive Session

- A. Personnel
- B. Superintendent's Annual Evaluation

No Action Taken

****At 8:19 PM the Board moved into Executive Session*

**** At 9:41 PM the Board reconvened into Open Session*

XII. Adjourn

- *Motion made by Ryan Walters to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Trina Colteryahn.*
FOR: Slay, Smith & Oliver
AGAINST: None
- *Meeting adjourned at 9.41 PM.*



Dallas Slay, Board President



Ryan Walters, Board Secretary