TIOGA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
October 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: Nick Oliver, Judith Owens, Ryan Walters, Trina Colteryahn, Billy Smith and Dallas Slay (Board Seat #4 vacant)
Also Present: Superintendent: Josh Ballinger; Principals: Keith Kirkland, Ammie Scott, Pamela Moore and TEA Conservator, Dr. Karen Wiesman, Business Manager, Sondra Hall

II. **Invocation and Pledge** – led by Billy Smith

III. **Student Recognition**
Elementary presented by Mrs. Box/Pre-K to Lucy Hertel & Charlie Coulter
High School presented by Mr. Kirkland to Mackenzie Lewter (National Merit Scholar)
FCCLA presented to the Teacher of the Month – Garra Ballinger

IV. **Open Forum for Public Comment** – Brian Morrill (BNT Financial)

V. **Discussions and Presentations**
A. TEA Division of Governance & Intervention Conservator Report. Dr. Wiesman reported the TEA Executive Summary for September 2026 and advised that the District has met Goal #1 and are in the process of completing Goal #2 for our exit from Conservatorship.
B. Mr. Ballinger discussed the 2026-2027 School Year PEIMS and Attendance Submissions.
C. Instructional Topics and Student Activities Update
1. High School/Kirkland – Provided a rundown of how each fall sport and extracurricular group is progressing through the season.
2. Middle School/Moore – Provided a rundown of how each extracurricular group is progressing through the season. Beta Club Leadership Conference is next week as well as Red Ribbon Week.
3. Elementary/Scott – provided an update on attendance incentives, upcoming 9 Weeks Award Ceremony and AR Reading goals. 5th Grade is working on the Veteran's Day program.

VI. **Business Items Requiring Board Action**

A. Consider New Options of Tioga ISD Debt Defeasance Presented by Stifel Public Finance
Motion made by Trina Colteryahn and seconded by Billy Smith to have Stifel prepare all necessary documents for the next board meeting in November and post conditional call notice as presented.
FOR: Slay, Walters, Oliver & Owens
AGAINST: None

B. Consider Resolution to Initiate the Process of Designation as a District of Innovation
Motion made by Nick Oliver and seconded by Ryan Walters to accept the resolution as presented.
FOR: Colteryahn, Slay, Smith, & Owens
AGAINST: None

C. Consider Acceptance of School Bus Safety Grant Funds for Seatbelt Requirements
Motion made by Trina Colteryahn and seconded by Ryan Walters to continue with the grant application as presented.
FOR: Oliver, Slay, Smith, & Owens
AGAINST: None

VII. Consent Action Items

A. Approve Minutes from the Previous Regular Meeting of September 21, 2026
B. Approve Out of Function Budget Amendment(s)
C. Approve School Board Student Outcome Goals for SY 2026-27
D. Approve the Appointment of 5 School Health Advisory Committee Members
Motion was made by Nick Oliver and seconded by Judith Owens to approve the consent items as presented.
FOR: Smith, Slay, Walters & Colteryahn
AGAINST: None

VIII. Superintendent's Report

A. Reviewed Financial Reports & Tax Collection Reports for August.
B. Discussed New and Existing Safety, Security, Police and Event Regulations

****At 8:11 PM the Board moved into Executive Session*
**** At 8:30 PM the Board reconvened into Open Session*

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

A. Interview Potential Candidate for the Open TISD Board Member Seat 4
B. Personnel

X. Action Regarding Matters Discussed in Executive Session

A. *Motion made by Trina Colteryahn and seconded by Ryan Walters to appoint Jessica Lindley to the open board seat #4.*
FOR: Slay, Smith, Oliver & Owens
AGAINST: None
B. Move November meeting to November 18th at 7 PM due to conflicts.

XI. Adjourn

- *Motion made by Billy Smith to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Judith Owens*
FOR: Walters, Oliver, Slay, & Colteryahn
AGAINST: None
Meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM.

Dallas Slay, Board President

Ryan Walters, Board Secretary