

# NISD Board of Trustees Board Notes



April 16, 2026

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Invocation by James Ervin.

B. Pledges of Allegiance led by students from Emeline Carpenter Elementary.



**Emeline Carpenter Elementary students led the pledges at Thursday's Board of Trustees meeting.**

## 2. RECOGNITION

### A. Student Recognition – Charles Zemanek

#### 1. Science and Engineering Fair State Qualifiers



**Nacogdoches High School science and engineering fair state qualifiers were recognized.**

#### 2. CTE State Qualifiers



**CTE state qualifiers were recognized during the board meeting.**

## 3. EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION

Board entered executive session at 5:23 p.m.

## 4. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Board returned to open session at 6:09 p.m.

## 5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

### B. Superintendent Announcements – Grey Burton

Nacogdoches High School's girls track and field team swept to another district championship last week and will be in Mount Pleasant tomorrow for the area meet. The Lady Dragons won four individual district titles. Cailyn Williams won both the 100-meter hurdles and the girls high jump. Mia Weems won the pole vault, and Jayla Garrett brought home a district championship in shot put. All three girls relay teams qualified for the area meet... the 4x100 relay and 4x200 relay both set school records to advance. In fact, the 4x100 relay team has lowered the school record time in that race on three occasions this spring. The Nacogdoches boys finished fourth in the district standings with 65 points. Micah Lockett cleared 7-feet, 2-inches in the high jump to win the district title to complete the first step towards defending his state championship. Braylon Horton won both hurdle events at district, and Jonas Hollins won the 400 dash. Good luck tomorrow at the area meet!

The first Dragon Classic Build-Off saw the Nacogdoches High School welding team put together a second place finish on March 25 while competing against seven other teams from around the area. The NHS team included Chance Garber, Christian Bach, Rodrigo Medrano and Bryan Rodriguez. The competition was designed to simulate an authentic scenario in the field of welding and fabrication. Teams arrived at an empty parking lot behind Dragon Stadium with all of the equipment they might need, and they were provided with two items: Project plans and materials. Our welding program had a great season under the direction of Heather Hill, and this first Dragon Build-Off was a great success!

Nacogdoches High School's Luigi Garcia took first place in a congressional art contest sponsored by U.S. Rep. Pete Sessions. Luigi's "Cowboy" won the northern region of Texas District 17 and advances to compete against other entries from around Sessions' district. Luigi wasn't the only NHS student recognized... Audrey Kraig earned second place with "Sunset Over the Rockies" and Alicia Dowell received honorable mention for "Their Eyes Are Upon Us." The Congressman was on hand last week to announce the winners, and I'm incredibly proud of all of our students whose artwork was displayed and who represented the district so well!

Recognition days that are coming up in the district include:

Administrative Professional Day on April 22

School Lunch Hero on May 1

Teacher Appreciation Week May 4th through the 8th

School Nurses Day on May 6

Speech Pathologist Day on May 18

Band and Fine Arts Director Appreciation Day on May 20.

## **6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ja' Raven Anderson addressed the Board of Trustees about an issue were her student at an NISD campus.

## **7. REPORTS**

A. Business office reports – Ben Eberlan

B. Texas Senate Bill 546 related to transportation – Michael Martin

C. Annual announcement of continuing education hours for board members – President Farshid Niroumand

- All board members completed or exceeded the annual continuing education requirements.

## **8. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Board meeting minutes

1. March 26, 2026 – Regular meeting minutes
2. March 31, 2026 – Special meeting minutes

B. Donations under \$2,500

C. Budget admendments

D. Investment report

**James Ervin** made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by **Cheryl Brady**. The motion was approved.

## **9. DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA**

A. Action Resulting From Executive/Closed Session

1. Consideration of and board action on the superintendent's recommendation of administrative personnel.

**Cheryl Brady** made a motion to approve the superintendent's recommendation of administrative personnel. The motion was seconded by **Mindy Winslow**. The motion was approved.

2. Consideration of and board action on the superintendent's recommendation of professional personnel (teachers/nurses/coaches).

**Mindy Winslow** made a motion to approve the superintendent's recommendation of professional personnel, including teachers, nurses and counselors. The motion was seconded by **James Ervin**. The motion was approved.

B. Consideration of and board action the memorandum of understanding with Museum of Fine Arts in Houston – Superintendent Grey Burton

**T.C. Grohman** made a motion to approve the memorandum of understanding with the Museum of Fine Arts in Houston as presented. The motion was seconded by **Leabeth Abt**. The motion was approved.

C. Consideration of board action on the ag farm new construction project – Michael Martin

**James Ervin** made a motion to approve the ag farm new construction project with TCMC Commercial LP in the amount of \$1,869,000 as presented. The motion was seconded by **Mindy Winslow**. The motion was approved.

D. Consideration of and board action on the proposal for the districtwide boiler replacement project – Michael Martin

**T.C. Grohman** made a motion to approve the proposal for the districtwide boiler replacement project with Texas Air Systems in the amount of \$1,175,122 as presented. The motion was seconded by **Mindy Winslow**. The motion was approved.

## **10. ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.