# Regular Board Meeting
## March 17, 2026

**On March 17, 2026** the Alvin Independent School District Board of Trustees met for a Regular Meeting at the Alvin Independent School District – 301 E. House Street – Alvin, Texas with the following members present**:**

Cheryl Harris, Brian Roberson, Danielle Swiney, AJ Johnson, Cory Scott and Gabe Garza

Trustee Humbird was unable to attend the meeting. Superintendent Nelson and other administrative staff were also present. The Public Hearing began at 6:13 p.m.

**ITEM #1 – PUBLIC HEARING 2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT**

In December, TEA released the 2024-2025 Texas Academic Performance Report. The TAPR contains academic performance data of students and profile information about students, staff and programs. The TAPR is the last report released by the TEA needed for districts to publish their 2024-2025 Annual Report.

An overview of the Annual Report that includes the TAPR, PEIMS Financial Standard Report, Accreditation Status, Performance Objectives, Report on Violent or Criminal Incidents, Student Performance in Postsecondary Institutions, and House Bill 3 Board Goals was presented.

**ITEM #2 - CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

President Harris called the meeting to order at 6:21 p.m. in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 stating that a quorum of Board members was present notice was duly posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government code Section551.001.

**ITEM #3 – INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Trustee Johnson gave the invocation and a student led the Pledge.

**ITEM #4 – SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Nelson reviewed current and upcoming district activities.

**ITEM #5 – COMMENDATIONS**

***Student Commendations***

**Spelling Bee Winners**

After seven rounds of competition, Alvin ISD crowned its District Spelling Bee Champion! Matthew Johnston, a 5th grader at Meridiana Elementary, secured the title by correctly spelling the word *"archetype."*

Liz Villegas, a 5th grader from York Elementary, earned the runner-up spot. Matthew will go on to represent Alvin ISD at the 2026 Scripps Regional Spelling Bee on March 28, 2026.

**Spelling Bee Español Winners!**

Alvin ISD is proud to announce the winners of the 2nd annual Spelling Bee Español held on February 18.

1st Place: Mauricio Calderon – Marek Elementary

2nd Place: Wendy Chavez – Mark Twain Elementary

3rd Place: Jedediah Rosales – Marek Elementary

**Texas Art Education Association's YAM Spring Exhibition**

Layla Johnson from Manvel High School and Patricia Morales of Shadow Creek High School have been selected to showcase their artwork at the Texas Art Education Association's YAM Spring Exhibition. This statewide exhibit, featuring student art from Pre-K through 12th grade, will be on display at the Bullock Texas State History Museum throughout March—and you can also view it on their website.

**Staff Commendations**

**TSPRA – Alvin ISD Communications Department**

The Alvin ISD Communications Department attended the annual TSPRA Conference in February and was recognized at the Star Awards with 6 Gold Star Awards and 3 Silver Star Awards.

Multimedia Specialist Brittany Blanchard also earned Best of Category for Photography!

We are incredibly proud of the talented team that works behind the scenes every day to tell the story of Alvin ISD and celebrate our students, staff, and community.

Renae Rives
Rachel Moore
Phil Jean
Brittany Blanchard
Tammy Mentzel

**TDEA Distinguished Director of the Year**

Alvin HS Jacketeer Director Eve Robinson was the finalist to receive the Texas Dance Educators Association Distinguished Director of the Year. There are hundreds of candidates from around the state! Eve was honored at the TDEA conference in January.

**ITEM #6 – OPEN FORUM**

Suzanne Willougby – Appreciation of Ms. Watts / Principal of EC Mason

**ITEM #7 – REQUEST TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A – I**

**ITEM A – REQUEST TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES**

This item was pulled for correction purposes and will be resubmitted at the Regular Board Meeting in April.

Trustee Swiney made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items B-I. Trustee Garza seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

**ITEM B – REQUEST TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT #6**

Budget Amendment #6 affords the Board the opportunity to authorize additional functional allocations and expenditures as presented.

**ITEM C – REQUEST TO CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR AWARD OF CONTRACTOR CONSULTANT PROPOSALS**

Nineteen proposals were received for service commodity codes as classified under the Contractor Consultant Proposals for a one-year non-exclusive award with the option to renew for an additional two years.

**ITEM D – REQUEST TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RFP #2603GOE GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSE**

Pursuant to Texas Education Code 44.031, contracts for the purchase of goods and services valued at $100,000 or more will be presented for award based on an approved competitive proposal method. The Request for Proposal #2603 GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSE - CAT meets these requirements and is a non-exclusive proposal. Thirty (30) qualified proposals were received. This proposal is requested for award under a one (1) year contract with a two (2) year renewal extension as long as both parties agree to the terms of contract for use on an as needed basis and funds are available for these commodities. Renewal of this contract is not anticipated until March 2029.

**ITEM E – REQUEST TO CONSIDER RFP #2603CN – HOOD CASE LINE REMODEL PROJECT**

This proposal was established to qualify approved vendors under the State Purchasing Guidelines CH Legal, Education Code 44.031(a), and ARM regulations whereby school districts are required to utilize a competitive proposal method that provides the best value for the district when making purchases valued at $100,000 or more in the aggregate for a 12-month period. To satisfy this State

law, Alvin ISD extended this proposal. The #2603CN-HOOD CASE LINE REMODEL PROJECT Request for Proposal meets these requirements and is an exclusive proposal. The District received four (04) qualified responses and upon analysis, proposes Mission Restaurant Supply, as an all or none award with an overall pricing of $162,418.00 submitting quotes on all 8 items.

**ITEM F – REQUEST TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RFP #2603 FIRE SAFETY SYSTEMS**

Pursuant to Texas Education Code 44.031, contracts for the purchase of goods and services valued at $100,000 or more will be presented for award based on an approved competitive proposal method. The Request for Proposal #2603 FIRE SAFETY SYSTEMS - CAT meets these requirements and is a non-exclusive proposal. Three (03) qualified proposals were received. This proposal is requested for award under a one (1) year contract with a two (2) year renewal extension as long as both parties agree to the terms of contract for use on an as needed basis and funds are available for these commodities. Renewal of this contract is not anticipated until March, 2029.

**ITEM G – REQUEST TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF COOPERATIVE PURCHASE - GENERATORS**

Pursuant of CH (Legal) whereby, we can purchase from a State of Texas Cooperative approved vendor and CH (Local) whereby, we must advise the board of any expenditures exceeding $75,000 per line item of purchase, we request approval for an estimated expenditure of $1,285,000.00 to a Choice Partners Cooperative Contract #23/016MR-17, Generocity Services Company, for the procurement and installation of 4 new generators at 4 locations. The generators will be placed at Passmore Elementary, Hood Case Elementary, Alvin Junior High, and Stapp Maxwell Maintenance and Operations facility. These generators will provide emergency backup power to critical building systems when there is a power interruption. The project is part of the 2024 bond program and will be funded with bond funds.

**ITEM H – REQUEST TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF COOPERATIVE PURCHASE – COOLING TOWERS**

Pursuant of CH (Legal) whereby, we can purchase from a State of Texas Cooperative approved vendor and CH (Local) whereby, we must advise the board of any expenditures exceeding $75,000 per line item of purchase, we request approval for an estimated expenditure of $1,600,000.00 to a Cooperative Contract for the procurement and installation of new cooling towers and associated piping at Manvel High School. The towers serve the 4 existing chillers that provide conditioned air to the entire Manvel High School campus.

**ITEM I – REQUEST TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE TEKS CERTIFICATION OF PROVISION OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS FORM**

The Texas Education Agency has updated the process for TEKS certification pertaining to use of the Instructional Materials and Technology Allotment (IMTA). School districts and charter schools are required to certify annually to the State Board of Education and the commissioner that, for each subject in the required curriculum, other than physical education, students have access to instructional materials that cover all the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). Districts must submit certifications to receive access to order 2026–27 instructional materials.

**ITEM #8 – REQUEST TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION FOR COMPLIANCE WITH SB 546**

Senate Bill 546 (89th Texas Legislature) amends Texas Transportation Code section

547.701, which requires that school buses be outfitted with certain equipment. Previous law required a bus operated by or contracted for use by a school district for the transportation of schoolchildren to be equipped with a three-point seat belt for each passenger, including the operator. SB 546 eliminates an exception for a bus purchased by a school district that is a model year 2017 or earlier. Now the requirement for seat belts does not apply to a bus:

1. If the board determines that the district's budget does not permit the district to purchase a bus that is equipped with the required seat belts, or

2. For which the warranty would become void if the bus were equipped to comply with the law.

Trustee Johnson made a motion that the Board of Trustees, in accordance with Senate Bill 546 (89th Texas Legislature), Texas Transportation Code 547.701 determine that the District's current budget does not permit the purchase, retrofit, or replacement of school buses to equip them with the required three-point seat belts at this time, and therefore vote to exercise the statutory exception provided under the law. Trustee Roberson seconded the motion. Discussion ensued regarding the various aspects of school funding. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

**ITEM #9 – REQUEST TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL**

As Presented

Trustee Garza made a motion to approve the employment of personnel as presented. Trustee Scott seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

**ITEM #10 – REQUEST TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EXTENSION OF ADMINISTRATOR/PRINCIPAL/ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL CONTRACTS**

As presented.

Trustee Swiney made a motion to approve the administrative contracts as presented. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

**ITEM #11 – ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Scott made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Swiney seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Attest:

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Cheryl Harris, President

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Danielle Swiney, Secretary