

Hardin-Houston Local School District
Regular Session of the Board of Education
Monday, March 16, 2026 @7:00 p.m.
Media Center

Board of Education

Brian Helman – President
Bill Clark – Vice President
Michael Ginn
Pam Mohler
Jason Shaffer

Administration

Ryan Maier – Superintendent
Amy Ayers - Treasurer
Jeff Judy – High School Principal
Sara Roseberry – Elementary Principal
Craig Knouff – Assistant Principal/Athletic Director
Jeanie Riethman – Director of Student Services
Matt Stephens – Director of Technology

Agenda

I. Call to Order

Mohler _____ Shaffer _____ Clark _____ Ginn _____ Helman _____

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Recognition of Guests

IV. Hearing of Visitors

- A. This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District’s business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting.
- B. Any person or group wishing to place an item on the agenda shall register their intent with the Superintendent no later than seven (7) days prior to the meeting and include name and address of the participant; group affiliating, if and when appropriate; and/or topic to be addressed. There is a three (3) minute duration per speaker. A maximum of 30 minutes of public participation will be permitted at each meeting.

V. Treasurer’s Report to the Board

A. Treasurer Recommendations

_____ moved and _____ seconded

- 1. Approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 16, 2026, as presented.
- 2. Approve the monthly financial reports and expenditures for February 2026.
- 3. Approve the following donation:

\$15,000.00 Anonymous Athletic Fund/FFA/Music Program

Mohler _____ Shaffer _____ Clark _____ Ginn _____ Helman _____

VI. District Report to the Board

A. Education Reports

1. Legislative Update
2. High School Report
3. Elementary School Report
4. Superintendent Report

IDEA Part B Special Education Funds Annual Meeting

Hardin-Houston receives Federal Special Education IDEA Part B funds to assist with the education of handicapped children aged 3 through 21. The District holds a brief informative meeting annually for any local community member to attend and discuss how the IDEA funds are used. The meeting will be held prior to the April 20, 2026 BOE meeting at 6:45 PM in the Media Center.

VII. Superintendent Recommendations

A. Employments

_____ moved and _____ seconded to:

1. Employ Joseph Earl as JH Boys Track Coach for the 2025-2026 school year, at a salary of \$1,717.88.
2. Employ Joseph Earl as JH Girls Track Coach for the 2025-2026 school year, at a salary of \$1,717.88

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B. Resignations

_____ moved and _____ seconded to:

1. Accept the retirement resignation of Director of Student Services Jeanie Riethman, effective May 31, 2026.
2. Accept the resignation of Varsity Girls Basketball Coach Brian Gillespie, effective immediately.
3. Accept the resignation of Varsity Boys Basketball Coach Caleb Fledderjohann, effective immediately.

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C. Approvals

_____ moved and _____ seconded to:

1. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Hardin-Houston Education Association, as presented.
2. Approve the updated certified substitute list provided by the Midwest Regional, ESC, as presented.

3. Approve the Media Center/Commons/Hallway Retrofit project with Continental Office under the OMNIA program, at a total cost of \$216,390.68.
4. Approve Braiden Barnes and Kerisma Shortridge as early graduates for the Class of 2026.
5. Approve the overnight trip for FFA Cardboard City at UVCC Willowbrook Land Lab, April 25-26, 2026.

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VIII. Executive Session

_____ moved and _____ seconded

Motion to adjourn to executive session to:

1. Consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion or compensation of an employee or the investigation of charges against the employee official, licensee, or student unless the employee, official, licensee, or student requests a public hearing.
2. Consider the purchase of property for public purposes or the sale of property at competitive bidding.
3. Meet with the Board’s attorney to discuss matters that is the subject of pending or imminent court action.
4. Prepare for, conduct, or review negotiations or bargaining sessions with employees.
5. Consider matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or state statutes.
6. Consider specialized details of security arrangements.

Mohler _____ Shaffer _____ Clark _____ Ginn _____ Helman _____

Enter into Executive Session at _____ P.M.

Return to Regular Session at _____ P.M.

IX. Adjournment

_____ moved and _____ seconded

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mohler _____ Shaffer _____ Clark _____ Ginn _____ Helman _____

The next board meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 20, 2026 at 7:00 pm in the Media Center.

***In accordance with State and Federal law, the District will provide reasonable accommodation to persons with disabilities who wish to attend and/or participate in school events. Such individuals should notify the principal/athletic director if they require a reasonable accommodation.*

**HARDIN-HOUSTON LOCAL SCHOOL
DISTRICT GOALS 2025-2026**

District Goals

- Provide a safe and secure environment for students, staff and community members.
- Maintain the highest ratings on the state report card.
- Optimize all building systems and fulfill the 5-year strategic plan.
- Maintain fiscal responsibility and adjust based on student enrollment of the district.

Mission Statement

“It is the responsibility of Hardin-Houston Local School, parents, students, and community, to prepare lifelong learners, and develop productive, responsible citizens by empowering everyone to succeed.”

Vision Statement

“Hardin-Houston Local School: Providing opportunities for every individual’s success!”