

February 26, 2026

Axtell, Texas

County of McLennan

The Axtell Independent School District Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting, February 26, 2026 at 6:32 P.M. with the following members present: Scooter Bays, Stephanie Amy, Laura Fetsch, Scott Denton, J.R. Vicha, Joey Reinke and Mark McCallister. Others present included Dr. JR Proctor, BR Dieterich, Dawn Hand and Susan Frankum. See visitor's list in file A for others present.

1. Verification of Quorum and Posting: President Scooter Bays verified a quorum and posting of the meeting in accordance to Texas Open Meetings Act.
2. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Stephanie Amy second by Mark McCallister to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2026 regular meeting as received by board members. Motion carried 7-0.
3. Pay Bills: Motion by J.R. Vicha second by Mark McCallister to pay bills. Motion carried 7-0.
4. Communications: No communications.
5. Ms. McCook class presentation of Policy concerns: No action required or taken.
6. Consideration and possible action to the WCY 2026-2027 Academic Calendar: Motion by Mark McCallister second by Stephanie Amy to approve WCY 2026-2027 Academic Calendar. Motion carried 7-0.
7. Consideration and possible action to approve or deny Senate Bill 11 School Prayer Plan. Motion by Joey Reinke second by Stephanie Amy to respectfully decline Senate Bill 11, our commitment to student's rights to practice their faith is exhibited in numerous ways including; Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Moments of Silence during the school day, Fields of Faith, Wednesday Night Youth Worship, HS boys Bible Study, See you at the Pole, and many others. We appreciate and support the State of Texas' efforts to make sure schools across Texas ensure students have opportunities to exercise their faith. Motion carried 7-0.
8. District personnel contracts: recommendation to extend the contracts of Elementary Principal Danette Stranacher, Director of Finance Dawn Hand, WCY Principal Chuck

Freeto, High School Principal BR Dieterich, Technology Director Leah Price, Special Programs Director Lacy Hollingsworth, Director of Athletics Craig Horn, HS Associate Principal Katy Lynch, and Technology/Instructional Coach Christina Taylor for the 2026-2027 & 2027-2028 academic year. Motion by Scott Denton second by Mark McCallister to approve recommendation to extend the contracts of Elementary Principal Danette Stranacher, Director of Finance Dawn Hand, WCY Principal Chuck Freeto, High School Principal BR Dieterich, Technology Director Leah Price, Special Programs Director Lacy Hollingsworth, Director of Athletics Craig Horn, HS Associate Principal Katy Lynch and Technology/Instructional Coach Christina Taylor for the 2026-2027 & 2027-2028 academic year. Motion carried 7-0.

9. Superintendent Report: Sidewalk project, Bus Grant Update, Elementary Pump Station Estimate, Three Point Seat Belt Senate Bill 546
10. Consideration and possible action to perform Superintendent evaluation and approve contract.
11. Executive Session: The Axtell ISD Board of Trustees on February 26, 2026 beginning at 7:09 P.M. convened in a closed or executive session. The board ended its executive session at 8:17 P.M. on February 26, 2026.
12. Adjournment: 8:18 P.M.

Attest: _____, Secretary

Approval: _____, President Date: _____