

LOHN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING 06/17/2026

Open Session:

1. Call to Order

Board President, Robert Swenson, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Establish Quorum

Administration present: Kay Shackelford and Tonya Rabenaldt

Board members present: Bobby Pearce, Robert Swenson, Julie Walker Popp,

Doug Hemphill and Brad Ellis

Board members absent: Stephanie Nelson and Melissa Nuncio

3. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

Doug Hemphill

4. Audience with Public

Public in attendance: David Currey

5. Set date for next meeting

July 15, 2026

6. Information Items

a. Report from Superintendent - *Kay Shackelford*

i. Budget/Finance

1. Review financials

Reported on financial accounts, budget and bills to be paid.

2. Energy Consumption report

Information not available at time of meeting and will be included in next months meeting information.

ii. School Safety

Updates to campus doors. Quotes have been requested.

iii. Projects

1. Update from weather event 05/31/2024

Final payments have been made on construction.

iv. Other Information Important to the Board

1. Budget and workshop information

Kay Shackelford is reviewing salaries, stipends, number of new hires to present in budget information at the July meeting.

2. Election information

Handout presented to board with discussion.

3. Understanding of services from Ede & Company, CPA

Kay Shackelford presented board with agreement.

Board reviewed with discussion.

4. Cell phone policy for 2026-2027

Cell phone policy presented to board for review.

5. Student Handbook - Note: Student handbooks are considered procedural, therefore, they do not require board approval. The handbooks are living documents, meaning they can change with the school year. If any changes occur throughout the year, the board will be informed immediately.

Dress, Grooming and Bullying sections of the Student Handbook were presented to board for review and discussion.

6. Other

- *Completed paperwork for donated livestock trailer title*
- *A/C leak*
- *Employee insurance*
- *McCulloch County Appraisal District 2027 proposed budget presented to board*
- *Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts: Chapter 313 annual eligibility report form with Rattlesnake Power, LLC & Heart of Texas Wind, LLC presented to board.*

b. Report from Assistant Superintendent Principal - *Tonya Rabenaldt*

1. Enrollment

100 Students

2. Attendance

Increase to 90% at all levels

3. Assessment/Summer School

Benchmark/STAARR results review

4. Other

Summer school report

7. Action Items

a. Approve Minutes of Prior Meeting

Doug Hemphill made motion to approve minutes from May 13, 2026 regular meeting as presented.

Brad Ellis 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Approve Payment of Bills

*Julie Walker Popp made motion to pay presented bills.
Doug Hemhill 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.*

c. Discussion/Action Pursuant to Reports

No action necessary

d. Discussion/Action regarding budget amendments

No amendments presented

At 7:13 p.m. David Currey exited the meeting.

8. Executive Session (Closed)

At 7:14 p.m., the board convened into Executive Session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, TGC 551.074.

a. Personnel

i. Staff resignations

ii. Open positions and candidate recommendations

b. Safety

Executive Session ended at 7:59 p.m.

Board reconvened into open session.

9. Action Items Pursuant to Closed Session

a. Discussion/Action regarding staff resignations

No resignations reported

b. Discussion/Action regarding additional teacher contracts 2026-2027

Administrations recommendation on the following teacher contracts:

- *Julie Walker Popp made motion to hire Nikki Skees as a full time (187 days) certified teacher with a probationary contract for the 2026-2027 school year.
Bobby Pearce 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.*
- *Julie Walker Popp made motion to hire Brianna Martin as part time school nurse and as a part time teacher with a probationary contract for the 2026-2027 school year.
Bobby Pearce 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.*
- *Doug Hemphill made motion to hire Jessica Whittington as a full-time (187 days) certified teacher with a probationary contract.
Bobby Pearce 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.*
- *Doug Hemphill made motion to hire Tanner Grounds as a full-time (187 days) certified teacher with a probationary contract for the 2026-2027 school year.
Bobby Pearce 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.*
- *Bobby Pearce made motion to hire Stephanie Eckert as a full-time (187 days) certified teacher with a probationary contract for the 2026-2027 school year.
Doug Hemphill 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.*

- c. Discussion/Action regarding entering into an Election Agreement with the City of Brady for the November 3, 2026 Election

Three seats (Bobby Pearce, Robert Swenson and Doug Hemphill) on the board are up for re-election. Bobby Pearce made motion for Lohn ISD to enter into an Election Agreement with the City of Brady for the November 3, 2026 election.

Doug Hemphill 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.

- d. Discussion/Action regarding approval and adoption of an order authorizing the Board of Trustees of the Lohn Independent School District to call a Trustee Election to be held within said district; making provisions for the conduct and giving of Notice of the Election; and providing for any other provisions related thereto.

Bobby Pearce made motion of the approval and adoption of an order authorizing the Board of Trustees of the Lohn Independent School District to call a Trustee Election to be held within said district; making provisions for the conduct and giving of Notice of the Election; and providing for any other provisions related thereto.

Julie Walker Popp 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.

- e. Discussion /Action regarding possible revisions to Board Operating Procedures
After board review, Brad Ellis made motion to approve Board Operating Procedures as presented.

Bobby Pearce 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.

- f. Discussion/Action on approving TASB for Property/Auto/Liability/Workers' Comp and Unemployment Insurance for 2026-2027

Board discussed TASB Insurance information

- g. Discussion/Action on approval of Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials Survey for 2026-2027

With recommendation from Administration, Julie Walker Popp made motion to approve the Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials Survey for 2026-2027.

Bobby Pearce 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.

- h. Discussion/Action regarding engagement agreement for general legal services with Leon, Alcalá, Morse & Reynolds

With board review, Doug Hemphill made motion to approve engagement agreement for general legal services with Leon, Alcalá, Morse & Reynolds.

Bobby Pearce 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.

- i. Discussion/Action regarding teacher salaries for the 2026-2027 school year
Board had discussion regarding teacher salaries for the 2026-2027 school year.

- j. Discussion/Action regarding stipends for the 2026-2027 school year
Board had discussion regarding stipends for the 2026-2027 school year.

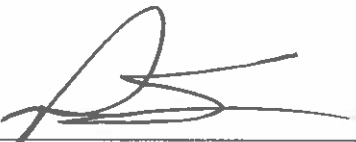
- k. Discussion/Action regarding benefits & holidays for non-contract staff

Board had discussion regarding benefits & holidays for non-contract staff.

I. Discussion/Action other
No items presented for discussion/action

10. Old Business
No information for discussion

11. Adjournment
*At 8:09 p.m., Brad Ellis made motion to adjourn.
Doug Hemphill 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.*



President of Board

Secretary of Board

07-15-2026
Date of Approval