

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Aspermont Independent School District
July 21, 2025**

At a regular meeting of the Aspermont Independent School District Board of Trustees held on July 21, 2025, members Ray Bradley, Lorenzo Calamaco, Jennifer Hodges, Tres Myers, Shane Polk and Superintendent Zach Morris. Brandon Criswell and Bay Hecht were absent. Also in attendance were Alexis Gaspar, Kristin Marsh, and Jeff Hurt.

President Lorenzo Calamaco called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Superintendent Morris led the invocation followed by Lorenzo Calamaco leading the pledges.

No one addressed the board in an open forum.

After a quick presentation of updates and timeline, Jennifer Hodges made a motion to approve the Gallagher proposal for gym work not to exclude \$55,000 for the basketball goals and wall pads. Shane Polk seconded the motion, all were in favor.

After reviewing the consent items, Shane Polk made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting held on June 16, 2025. Tres Myers seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Jennifer Hodges made a motion to approve bills payable from the middle of June through the current date in July. Tres Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board of Trustees then opened the sealed bids for propane, gas, and diesels. Ray Bradley made a motion to approve the only propane bid. B&M Supply and Gas Co. bid \$.37 above cost. Tres Myers seconded the motion. Shane Polk abstained from voting and the motion carried 4-0.

The district only received one fuel bid for gasoline and diesels from Cooper Oil Company INC out of Hamlin, Texas. Tres Myers made a motion to accept the bid from Cooper Oil Co for \$.20 above cost of fuel. Ray Bradley seconded the motion. All trustees were in favor.

Superintendent Morris presented the approved 25-26 calendar and proposed changes. The changes would reflect dates set by the District Committee for spring events. Jennifer Hodges made a motion to approve the changes to the 2025-2026 school calendar as presented. Shane Polk seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Ray Bradley made a motion to increase the district's contribution to meet the ACA increase for affordability in the amount of \$49. Tres Myers seconded the motion. All trustees were in favor.

Next the Trustees moved to the teacher salary scale and retention staff increases. Superintendent Morris presented the scale for teachers and explained the support staff increases. After discussion, Jennifer Hodges motioned to approve the salary scale and retention staff increases for all teachers and support staff, as presented. Shane Polk seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

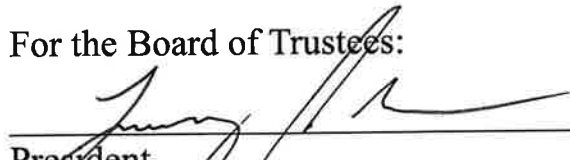
Superintendent Morris presented the budget report and investment report, including possible amendments that would be needed. He updated the Trustees on the status of consolidating to one campus. Trustees discussed several policies and changes that would be in effect for next school year, including the cell phone policy.

After a quick break, the trustees moved into closed session at 7:22 pm
The trustees reconvened into open sessions at 7:42 pm.

Jennifer Hodges made a motion to hire Cassie Valerio as the Kindergarten teacher. Tres Myers seconded the motion. All trustees were in favor.

Jennifer Hodges then motioned to adjourn the meeting. Tres Myers seconded the motion. All in favor. The board meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm
The next regular meeting will be held on August 7th, 2025.

For the Board of Trustees:



President



Secretary