

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Mabank Independent School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Mabank Independent School District was held on March 23, 2026 beginning at 6:30 P.M. in the Mabank ISD Board Room at 310 E. Market Street, Mabank, TX 75147.

1. Call to Order – Declaration of Quorum @ 6:32 P.M.

Board President Todd Grimes called the board meeting to order and established a quorum with the following board members present: Vice President Erik Tijerina, Secretary Robby Teague, Trustees' Dustin Conner, and Brandon Parker. Board Members absent Bryan Miller and John Litchfield.

2. Closed Session 6:32 P.M.

A. Personnel Matters Texas Gov't Code 551.074

3. Reconvene to Open Session @ 7:32 P.M.

No action taken coming out of the closed session.

4. Opening Activities

A. Invocation – Led by Board Secretary Robby Teague.

B. Pledge of Allegiance to the US & Texas Flag Led by Southside Elementary Superintendent Star Students Violet Oxendine, Maci Wright, and Blakelyn Dickson.

C. Spotlight(s)

1. Superintendent Star Students – Central Elementary, Lakeview Elementary, Southside Elementary and Intermediate Campus:

Dr. Marshall introduced campus Principals. Principals introduced their superintendent star students and shared the reasons why students were selected. Students received a trophy from Dr. Marshall and pictures taken by parents and the media.

Central Elementary: Elias Redondo, Grahon Spencer, and Kashton Morse.

Lakeview Elementary: Marlee Mitchell (absent), Oaklee Whitacre, and Luis Garcia-Villanueva.

Southside Elementary: Violet Oxendine, Maci Wright, and Blakelyn Dickson.

Intermediate Campus: Paisley Johnson, Greyson Shewmaker, Hannah Smith, and Weston Stevens.

2. Archery State and National Qualifiers

Archery Coach Chrysta Sapp-Lewis shared the following:

- Our 5th graders have grown so much over the season!!!
- 662 elementary kids competed in bullseye. Mabank shot their highest team score at STATE and placed 6th out of 28 teams! In a new venue with 100s of people watching them do it!
- 9 individual archers PRed
- In 3D they placed 6th with 12 individuals setting a new PR!
- Middle school division had 1330 kids competing in bullseye this year.
- Our middle school team placed 3rd out of 59 teams!
- Dhanya Vel placed 5th out of 638 girls! She's currently the #2 ranked 7th grade girl in the state of Texas!
- Out of 692 boys Jabe Thomas placed 7th and Blake Stephen placed 9th!
- 5 individual archers set a new PR this week!
- In 3D our middle school team placed 3rd out of 33 teams!
- Jabe Thomas placed 8th
- Reid Woodham placed 9th placed
- 12 individual archers set a new PR!

Archery Coach Kenneth Carpenter shared the following:

- 2026 NASP Texas State Archery Championship
- Your Mabank High School Archery Team got to showcase their hard work and dedication that they have poured into all season in San Antonio. The team did a great job representing Mabank ISD on and off the range.
- In the bullseye portion of the competition the team placed 16th overall and we had two boys place in the top 25 out of 791 archers from across the state.
- Olan Holt placed 14th
- Brandon Law placed 22nd
- During the 3-D competition our archers did awesome. The team placed 4th overall and several top 25 placements.
- Peyton Owens placed 2nd place overall out of 291 archers and will be receiving a scholarship for his accomplishments.
- Brandon Law placed 17th
- Tate Lyon placed 23
- On the girls' side Ava Sullivan placed 24th overall out of 290 archers.

We could not be prouder of our Archers, and we look forward to their continued successes.

3. Fine Arts Department – Band, Choir, and Visual Art Scholastic Event (VASE) Student

Choir Teacher Mrs. Catherine Lindsey shared the following regarding Choir students from Solo and Ensemble:

Students earning a Division 1 rating and advancing to the Texas UIL State Solo and Ensemble Contest:

Elizabeth Welther, Shayla Maggard, Teagan Etheridge, Stephen Jeffers, Asa Carter, Christopher Deatherage, Hayden Bell, Samuel Miller.

Earning a Division 1 rating, but not advancing to state: Evelyn Malone, Amille Beele, and Noveligh Steller.

All senior students are receiving many scholarships at the colleges they are applying for. We are very proud of our students.

Fine Arts & Band Director Joel Weisberg shared the following Band & Visual Art Student information:

At the Band Competition at Rowlett HS Saturday, Feb. 21st, Region 3 UIL Solo and Ensemble:

- 36 Panther Band members participated
- 34 students will advance to the Texas State UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest in Austin
- *All performers earned a 1st division rating from their individual judges.

- *39 total first division made
- *Every woodwind player from our Wind Ensemble is a UIL State qualifier
- *Every percussionist in our entire program is a UIL State qualifier

Here are the details:

- Flute Trio: Olivia Bennett, Ryan Fritsch, Leah Andrade
 - Clarinet Choir: Elizabeth Welther, Rebecca Miller, Helen Mak, Jennifer Ventura, Camden Ellingburg, Thomas Eddington
 - Saxophone Quartet: Stephen Jeffers, Edwardo Reyes, Patrick Nelson (Plus his solo), PJ Schrenk
 - Trombone Quartet: Trystan Steakley, Patrick King, Genesis Ponciano, Valentino Gonzalez
 - Percussion Ensemble #1: Brett Brewington, MacKenzie Juarez, Jackson Pirtle, Noah Spencer, PK Walton, Jaxon Wood
 - Percussion Ensemble #2: Amille Beele, Gunnar Bork, Luke Connaway, Kadee Lewis, Doris Montgomery, Jordan Otterline, Ian Parent, Aubree Slater, Novaleigh Steller, MJ Strong
 - *Percussion Keyboard (memory) State Qualifier: Brett Brewington
 - 1st Division Winners on Class 2 solos: Isobel McSperitt, June Guerrero, and Malisa Lim
- Visual Art Scholastic Event (VASE) – Crystal Santillan is our VASE student who will compete in San Marcus.
- Color/Winter Guard lead by new instructor Mr. Marcordric Collins – students sent a video of themselves to the Nationally WGI Competition, student's placed 6th Nationally!
 - Band & Color Guard brought home Sweepstakes Award for the second time in a row. Mr. Weisberg complimented Percussion Instructor Mr. Roy Tarkington for his great teaching – every one of his percussion students is a State qualifier!

4. DECA Students – National Qualifiers & State Winners

DECA Sponsor Mrs. Rebecca Smith thanked the Board Members, Dr. Marshall, Mr. Rowland, and Mrs. Koskelin for their support. Mrs. Smith shared the following with the Board Members:

Addison Pope and Ana Gallegos for Project Management Community Awareness and Hellen Mak (alternate) who presented Business Services Marketing. Addison and Ana will compete in the Community Service Awareness event with their CyberMind Outreach project. Hellen, also a finalist, will attend the Thrive Leadership conference at the International Career Development conference in Atlanta at the end of April.

5. BETA Students – National Qualifiers

BETA Sponsor Mrs. Nicci Romero thanked the Board Members, Dr. Marshall, and Mr. Rowland for always supporting BETA. Mrs. Romero introduced the National BETA Convention qualifying students and their competitions – all together, there are 27 National Qualifiers. They are:

Leadership competitions:

- Ethical Decision Making - Abigaile Jones, Jenna Simon, Anna Villines, Addy Stephens, and Kenzie Hyde
- Collaboration Connection - Wyatt Griffin, Holden Truelove, Saralyn Adams, Sydney Sinclair, and Adam Chrouk
- Project Proposal - Holly Walton, Addison Walker, Cooper Tijerina, Anna Te, and Payton Popham
- In the State Competitions the Club awards are:
 - 2nd place Onsite Drawing - Laura Sellers
 - 5th place Psychology - Luke Morrow
 - 3rd place Spanish - Hemelyn Torres
 - 3rd place Scrapbook -Anna Te, Hemelyn Torres, Adam Chrouk, Abigaile Jones, Saralyn Adams, Jenifer Romero, and Holden Truelove
 - 3rd place Engineering - Hemelyn Torres, Rylie Lyons, Wyatt Griffin, Asher Embry, and Adam Chrouk

- 2nd place Robotics - Bradley Sales, Luke Morrow, Maddox Lemons, Austin Frazier, Ryder Malone, Jackson Pirtle and Grant Rowland
- Helen Mak. will serve as the new State BETA Secretary. Her campaign and presentation was excellent.

6. MHS's Abigaile Jones – TAFE National Qualifier

CTE Sponsor Lauren Odom introduced High School Student Abigaile Jones. Miss Jones placed in the top 10 at TAFE (Texas Association of Future Leaders) State Competition which qualifies her for Nationals. Miss Jones created lesson plans, created a tape of herself teaching a pre-k class at Lakeview Elementary which qualified her for Nationals. Miss Jones will fly to Portland, Oregon in June and will compete in the Educators Rising National Conference. We are so proud of Abigaile.

7. Varsity Girls Basketball Team

Coach Jeff Sutton introduced players and stated: Had another great year – the girls advancing the program. The Team played a tough pre-district schedule and ended up Bi-District Champions. Only one team that the girls faced in pre-district did not make it to the playoffs. Proud of these girls.

- Jayda Searcy (Sr) – 2nd Team All-District, Academic All-District, and THCA All-District (absent)
- Kallie Smith (Sr) – didn't get to play much but got her in one game where she scored. Kallie is Academic All-District, THCA All-State Academic
- Kendal Woods (Jr) - 2nd year playing on varsity, Honorable Mention, and Academic All-District
- Jaci Hines (Jr) – Honorable Mention All-District and Academic All-District (absent)
- Makinley White (Jr) – Honorable Mention All-District and Academic All-District
- Honey Aldridge (Soph) – 1st Team All-District and Academic All-District
- Kali Parker (Soph) – Honorable Mention All-District
- Harper Tijerina (Fresh) – District Newcomer of the Year and Academic All-District.

8. Varsity Boys Basketball Team

Coach Tracy Carter introduced players and stated:

With only 3 lettermen/2 starters returning we knew a lack of experience was going to be an issue, so we were going to have to be patient. What we didn't know was the multiple roster changes that were going to occur leading up to district play. We played a tough schedule, 16 of our 20 non-district opponents were playoff qualifiers with 8 of those finishing 1st or 2nd. One was the TAPPS 5A state runner-up (Tyler Brookhill), which we had a 14-point lead on, only to lose by 4.

We started district with a good win over Canton, but unfortunately lost 2 in a row and before you knew it, we were 2-3 unsure if we had it in us to play consistent ball. We responded to go 6-1 in the final 7 games including an exciting Senior Night 10-point win vs Athens the District Champion (that was their only loss). We finished tied for 2nd with Lindale and earned a playoff berth vs Longview Pine Tree. In the Bi-District game, we got down early but battled back to make it 4-point game in the 2nd half, but things just didn't go our way losing by 8 points. Regardless, I am proud of this team's accomplishments and the memories they created. We finished the season with 18-15 (8-4 district record).

- Cayden Bowden (Fresh) – Academic All-District
- Cole Genovese (Fresh)
- Cullen McFaul (Soph) – 2nd Team All District and Academic-All District
- Brody Stephen (Jr) – 2nd Team All District and Academic-All District
- Joseph Magana (Sr)
- Angel Guerrero (Sr) – Honorable Mention All-District, THSCA/TABC All-Academic State
- Peyton Welk (Sr) – Honorable Mention All-District and Academic All-District
- Jayden Colin (Sr) – District Co-Defensive Player of the Year and Academic All-District
- Carter Sims (Sr) – 1st Team All-District, THSCA/TABC Academic All-District, and scored 1000 career points

- Luke Carter (Sr) – District Offensive Player of the Year, Selected All Region II Team, Martins Mill All-Tournament Team Player, Selected Aalea All Star Game, Academic All-District, and scored 2000 career points.

9. Varsity Girls Powerlifting Team- will be recognized at the April Board Meeting.

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In lieu of the Girls & Boys Powerlifting Team being spotlighted, CTE Auto Instructor Bradly Chamers introduced High School Student Andrew Goodwin. Mr. Goodwin secured a Bronze Medal in Automotive Service Technology and has advanced to compete and represent Mabank High School at the SkillsUSA State Conference in Corpus Christi in April. We are extremely proud of Andrew and wish him the best.

D. Public Comment: Hearing of Citizens

No public comments were made at this time.

5. Consent Agenda Items

A. **February 23, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

B. **Monthly Financial Report**

C. **Check Register Report**

D. **Cash Position Report**

E. **Tax Collection Report**

F. **Monthly Donation Report**

1. **\$10,561.00 for Mabank Baseball Program by the Athletic Booster Club**

2. **\$5,000.00 for 5th Grade Sky Ranch Trip by TVEC**

3. **\$1,250.00 for Fishing Team by AO Doors**

4. **\$1,000.00 for Special Olympics from Parrott Head Club**

G. **Budget Amendments – 25-26 Budget Amendment #2 – Extra-Curricular (supplement for student travel).**

H. **Property Tax Resale(s) –None.**

I. **Out-of-State Trip(s)**

1. **MHS's DECA Students to attend the DECA International Career Development Conference in Atlanta, GA – April 25-28, 2026**

2. **MHS's BETA Students to attend the National BETA Convention in Nashville, TN – June 16-20, 2026**

3. **MHS's TAFE Student to compete at the 2026 Educators Rising National Conference in Portland, OR – June 20-23, 2026**

4. **MISD's Archery Qualifiers to compete at Nationals in Sandy, UT on April 23-25, 2026**

A motion was made by Secretary Robby Teague and seconded by Trustee Dustin Conner to approve all consent agenda items as presented. The motion carries 5-0. All those in favor: Grimes, Tijerina, Teague, Conner, and Parker. All those opposed: 0.

6. Discussion Action Items

A. Consider approval of the Library Material Purchase Lists

Presenter: Executive Director of Curriculum & Instruction Charity Groom. A motion was made by Secretary Robby Teague and seconded by Trustee Dustin Conner to approve the campus library book purchase lists as presented, authorizing campuses to proceed with ordering in accordance with district policy and state law. The motion carries 5-0. All those in favor: Grimes, Tijerina, Teague, Conner, and Parker. All those opposed: 0.

B. Consider approval to file TEA Missed School Day Waiver

Presenter: Assistant Superintendent Henry C. Tracy III. A motion was made by Trustee Dustin Conner and seconded by Secretary Robby Teague to approve filing a TEA Missed School Day Waiver for January 28, 2026 as presented. The motion carries 5-0. All those in favor: Grimes, Tijerina, Teague, Conner, and Parker. All those opposed: 0.

C. Annual Special Education Report (No Action Needed)

Presenter: Director of Special Programs Melissa Sullivan. No action needed.

7. Closing Activities

A. Construction Project Updates –

- 3-4 Mabank Elementary School
- Junior High School Additions + Renovations
- Mabank High School CTE Project Update

Project updates presented by CFO Scott Hyde.

B. Questions / Announcements -

- The Board called for a Special Board Meeting for Thursday, April 9th at 7:30 a.m.
- Jackson Teague made sale at the Ag Show in Houston
- Carla Kennedy with The Monitor informed the Board and Dr. Marshall, Mabank HS Principal Michael Rowland and Mabank High School were honored earlier for being voted as Best Principal and High School Campus by the Cedar Creek Lake's Readers' Choice Awards.

8. Adjournment

President Todd Grimes adjourned the meeting at 9:04 P.M.

Todd Grimes, Board President

Robby Teague, Board Secretary