The Region 4 ESC Board of Directors' Special Meeting Minutes
August 25, 2026
McKinney, Conference Center, 101 7145 West
Tidwell Road Houston, Texas 77092

The Region 4 Education Service Center (Region 4) Board of Directors met in a Regular Meeting on August 25, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. The following Board Members were in attendance: Mrs.
LaVerie Wise, Mr. Victor White, Mr. John Bass, Mr. Andy Reyes, Mr. Stepen McCanless and Mrs. Carmen Moreno. Ms. Lalla Morris and Ms. Scotty Bass were absent.

Staff members in attendance included: Dr. Rodney Watson, Dr. Kelly Ingram, Ms. Stephanie Noriega, Dr. Jennifer Brock, Dr. Jorgannie Carter, Mr. Mark Miranda, Mr. Mike Houser, Dr. Julie Hill, Mr. Paul Castro, and Dr. Melody Goffney.

Monica McKeithan served as recording secretary.

1. General Items
   A. Call to Order
   The meeting was called to Order by Board Chair Mrs. LaVerie Wise at 11:01 a.m.
   B. Invocation and Pledge
   The Invocation was led by Mr. Victor White. The pledges of allegiance were led by Ms. Carmen Moreno.
   C. Comments from Public
   There were no comments from the public.
   D. Remarks and Recognitions by Executive Director
   E. Dr. Rodney Watson shared the following updates with the board. Region 4 celebrated its Teachers of the Year, recognized Tomball ISD as a Top 5 Honor Board in Texas and hosted ResearchEd to promote evidence-based teaching. Dr. Watson delivered keynote remarks at Universal Technical Institute's graduation and Melissa ISD's convocation, while Dr. Edrice Bell represented Region 4 at STEM Go Pro Day. The Civics Training Program continues to expand, reaching more than 932 educators across 15 districts. Special Education initiatives support students who are deaf or hard of hearing and families of infants and toddlers with hearing or vision loss.
   Phase II renovations are projected for completion in May 2027, which will also mark the beginning of Region 4's 60th anniversary celebration.
2. Reports/Information Items
   A. Region 4 Personnel Matters

Dr. Hill shared the report on personnel matters, including employment, retirement, and termination of full-time and part-time employees.

B. Region 4 Inspire Texas Educator Preparation Program (EPP) Interlocal Agreements

Dr. Julie Hill presented the Report on Region 4 Inspire Texas Educator Preparation Program (EPP) Interlocal Agreements.

C. Report on Public Agencies Utilizing OMNIA Partners/Region 4 Education Service Center (ESC) Contracts

Dr. Jorgannie Carter shared the report on Report on Public Agencies Utilizing OMNIA Partners/Region 4 Education Service Center (ESC) Contracts.

D. Notification of Texas Association of School Boards Education Service Center Update 32 Legal Policy Revision

Dr. Julie Hill presented the Notification of Texas Association of School Boards Education Service Center Update 32 Legal Policy Revision.

3. Consent Agenda

Mrs. LaVerie Wise recommended that Items 3A-1, 3B-1, 3B-2, 3B-3, and 3C-1 be presented, reviewed, and handled in one motion, one second, and one vote.

A. Administration

3A-1 Approval of the minutes of the Regular meeting on June 23, 2026.

B. Business Office

3B-1 Approval budget amendments.

3B-2 Approval of financial statement for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, Financial Statement Reports as of May 31, 2026, and June 30, 2026, Monthly Investment Reports for May 2026 and June 2026.

A motion was made by Mrs. Carmen Moreno and seconded by Mr. Victor White to approve consent agenda items 3A-1, 3B-1, and 3B-2 as presented. The motion carried unanimously

4. Action Items

A. Administration

4.A-1. Approval of 2026-2027 Center-wide Goals

Dr. Kelly Ingram presented the Approval of 2026-2027 Center-wide Goals.

A motion was made that the Board approve the 2026-2027 Center-wide Goals. This motion was made by Mr. John Bass and seconded by Mr. Andy Reyes.

The motion carried unanimously.

4.B-2 Public Hearing and Performance Report

Dr. Kelly Ingram and Mr. Paul Castor presented the presentation for the Approval of Region 4 ESC Public Hearing and Performance Report.

A motion was made that the Board approve the approval of the Public Hearing and Performance Report. This motion, made by Mr. John Bass and seconded by Ms. Carmen Moreno. The motion carried unanimously.

4.A-3 Approval of TASB ESC Update 32 Local Policy Provisions on the First Reading

Dr. Hill presented that the Board approve TASB ESC Update 32 Local Policy Provision on the First Reading.

A motion was made that the Board approve and adopt all nine (9) ESC Update 32 Local Policy Provision on the first reading as presented by the administration. This motion, made by Mr. Victor White and seconded by Mr. John Bass. The motion was carried unanimously.

4.A-4. Approval Authorizing the Executive Director to Pursue and Enter into Agreement for Lease or Purchase of Real Estate Property.

Dr. Jorgannie Carter and Mr. Mark Miranda presented to the Board the Approval Authorizing the Executive Director to Pursue and Enter into an Agreement for Lease or Purchase of Real Estate Property.

A motion was made that the Board authorize the Executive Director, or designee, to finalize and execute the agreement with Colliers International Houston, Inc. and to negotiate and execute agreements for the lease or purchase of real estate property, subject to available funding, legal review, Commissioner approval as applicable, and other requirements of law. This motion, made by Ms. Carmen Moreno and seconded by Mr. Victor White. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Business

4-B-1 Approval/Ratification of Procured Budgeted Purchase Aggregating $100,000 or More.

Dr. Jorgannie Carter presented for the Board Approval/Ratification of Procured Budgeted Purchases Aggregating $100,000 or More. A motion made that the Board approves the procured budgeted single purchase(s) costing a hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) or more as presented. This motion, made by Mr. Andy Reyes and seconded by Ms. Carmen Moreno. The motion carried unanimously.

4.B-2 Approval for Proposed Budget Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Dr. Jorgannie Carter presented to the Board for the Approval of the Proposed Budget Fiscal Year 2026-2027. A motion was made that the Board approve the proposed FY 2026-2027 budget, effective September 1, 2026, as presented. The motion, made by Mr. John Bass and seconded by Mr. Andy Reyes. The motion carried unanimously.

4.B-3 Approval of General Fund Balance Commitment.

Dr. Jorgannie Carter presented to the Board the approval of the Board Resolution to designate General Fund Balance commitments. A motion was made that the Board approve the Resolution to designate General Fund Balance commitments as presented. This motion made, by Mr. John Bass and seconded by Mr. Victor White. The motion carried unanimously.

4.B-4 Approval of Interpretation & Translation Services Exhibit

Dr. Jorgannie Carter presented to the Board the approval of Interpretation & Translation Services Exhibit. A motion was made that the Board authorize the Executive Director, or designee, to finalize and execute the agreement with Colliers International Houston, Inc. and to negotiate and execute agreements for the lease or purchase of real property, subject to available funding, legal review, Commissioner approval as applicable, and other requirements of law. A motion made, by Mr. McCanless and seconded by Mr. Victor White. The motion carried unanimously.

4.B-5 Approval of General Printing Services.

Dr. Jorgannie Carter presented to the Board Approval of General Printing Services. A motion was made that the Board approve the contract award for General Printing Services under RFP No. R42026-04 as presented. This motion, made by Mr. John Bass and seconded by Ms. Carmen Moreno. The motion carried unanimously.

4.B-6 Approval of Property, Windstorm and Equipment Breakdown Insurance

Dr. Jorgannie Carter presented to the Board Approval of Property, Windstorm and Equipment Breakdown Insurance. A motion was made that the Board approve the premium for property, windstorm and equipment breakdown

insurance as presented. This motion, made by Ms. Carmen Moreno and seconded by Mr. Andy Reyes. The motion carried unanimously.

4.B-7 Approval of the 2026–2027 Education Analytics Contract for the Texas Education Exchange

Mr. Miranda presented to the Board the Approval of the 2026-2027 Education Analytics Contract for the Texas Education Exchange. A motion was made that the Board of Directors approve the 2026-27 contract with Education Analytics for the Texas Education Exchange, under OMNIA contract #R250603, in an amount not to exceed $2,667,763, and authorize the Executive Director or designee to execute the contract and related documents. This motion, made by Mr. John Bass and seconded by Mr. Victor White. The motion carried unanimously.

4.B-8 Approval of Resolution Authorizing Contract Value Flexibility

Dr. Jorgannie Carter presented to the Board Approval of Resolution Authorizing Contract Value Flexibility. A motion was made that the Board approve the Resolution Authorizing Contract Value Flexibility, as presented, authorizing the Executive Director or designee to approve contract value increases within the thresholds and conditions established in the Resolution. This motion, made by Mr. John Bass and seconded by Mr. Victor White. The motion carried unanimously.

C. OMNIA Partners

4.C.1. Approval of Contract Award for Customer Service Solutions for Schools

Dr. Jorgannie Carter presented to the Board the Approval of Contract Award for Customer Service Solutions for Schools. A motion was made that the Board approve the contract award for feedback and customer service solutions for schools under RFP No. 25-11 as presented. This motion, made by Mr. Victor White and seconded by Mr. Andy Reyes. The motion carried unanimously.

4-C-2 Approval of Contract Award for Scoreboards, Electronic Signs, Installation, Related Products and Services.

Dr. Jorgannie Carter presented to the Board the Approval of Contract Award for Scoreboards, Electronic Signs, Installation, Related products and Services. A motion was made that the Board approve the contract award for scoreboards, electronic signs, installation, related products and services under RFP No. 26-07 as presented. This motion, made by Mr. Victor White and seconded by Mr. John Bass. The motion carried unanimously.

4.C-3 Approval of Contract Award for Warehousing, Materials Handling, and Production Support.

Dr. Jorgannie Carter presented to the Board the Approval of Contract Award for Warehousing, Material Handling, and Production Support. A motion was made that the Board approve the contract award for Warehousing, Material Handling and Product Support under RFP No. 26-08 as presented. This motion, made by Mr. Andy Reyes and seconded by Mr. Victor White. The motion carried unanimously.

4.C-4 Approval of Contract Award for Automotive and Large Vehicle Solutions, Parts, Supplies, and Services.

Dr. Jorgannie Carter presented to the Board the Approval of Contract Award for Automotive and Large Vehicle Solutions, Parts, Supplies, and Services. A motion was made that the Board approve the contract award for automotive and large vehicle solutions, parts, supplies, and services under RFP No. 26-09 as presented. This motion, made by Mr. Victor White and seconded by Mr. John Bass. The motion carried unanimously.

4.C-5 Approval of Contract Award for Cleaning Supplies, Breakroom, and Related Products.

Dr. Jorgannie Carter presented to the Board the Approval of Contract Award for Cleaning Supplies, Breakroom and Related Products. A motion was made that the Board approve the contract award for cleaning supplies, breakroom, and related products under RFP No. 26-13 as presented. This motion, made by Mr. Victor White and second by Mr. Andy Reyes. The motion carried unanimously.

4.C-6 Approval of Contract Award for Sport Surfaces, Installation, and Related Materials.

Dr. Jorgannie Carter presented to the Board the Approval of Contract Award for Sport Surfaces, Installation, and Related Materials. A motion was made that the Board approve the contract for sport surfaces, installation, and related material under RFP No. 26-16 as presented. This motion, made by Ms. Carmen Moreno and seconded by Mr. Victor White. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Closed Session

Mrs. LaVerie Wise requested a motion to enter Closed Session. A motion was made by Mr. John Bass and seconded by Mr. Andy Reyes to ender Closed Session [in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 551.074]. A motion was carried unanimously. The Board Closed Session at 12:13 p.m. This motion, made by John Bass and seconded by Andy Reyes.

6. Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting. A motion, made by Mr. John White and seconded by Mr. Victor White. The motion carried unanimously. Mrs. LaVerie Wise adjourned the meeting at 12:56 p.m.

LaVerie Wise

Board Chair

John Bass

Board Secretary