APPROVED

Life School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday April 16, 2025 at 9:30 AM

Directors Present
B. Wilson Ed.D., C. Clemmons, C. Ransbottom, R. Mays, S. Williams

Directors Absent
R. Martinez, S. Lee Ph.D.

Guests Present
B. Ding, B. West, E. Davis, J. Beck, J. Shepherd, Ed.D., J. Wilson, L. Dopson, M. Beck, S. Colwell Ed.D., S. Fuller Ed.D., T. Mooney Ed.D.

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

B. Wilson Ed.D. called a meeting of the board of directors of Life School to order on Wednesday Apr 16, 2025 at 9:34 AM.

C. Speakers on Public Sign-up Sheet

II. Opening Ceremonies

A. Pledge of Allegiance/Texas Pledge

Life School Oak Cliff

B. Invocation

C. Recognitions

Leigh Dopson honored Texas State Technical College representatives — Provost Marcus Balch, Alisha King, and Gareth Daniel — with the LifeLeader award in recognition of their collaborative partnership with Life School. She honored Life School Counselors Bri Tyler and Alysa Shull and Kim Chester for exemplifying the Goal-Oriented trait.

Leigh Dopson also congratulated the Life School 2025 TSTC Cohort students. Students from both LHSOC and LHSW have completed programs in Cybersecurity, HVAC, Structural Welding or Diesel Mechanics.

Eddie Davis presented the LifeLeader Award to Ronnell Johnson for exhibiting the LifeLeader Attribute of Goal-Oriented. Mr. Johnson donated laptops to ten LHSOC seniors.

Eddie Davis also presented the LifeLeader Award to Mentors Care for exhibiting the LifeLeader Attribute of Self Aware.

III. Education Foundation Presentation Update

A. Mentors Care Report

The Board received a review of the August 2024 to January 2025 statistics from the work done by Mentors Care at the Life High School Oak Cliff campus.

B. Life School Education Foundation Update

Eddie Davis gave a presentation of the Life School Education Foundation.

IV. Consent Items

A. Acceptance of New Hires and Terminations

B. Acceptance of Gifts and Donations

C. Ratification of Mentors Care Program Agreement for the 2025-2026 School Year

D. Approval of Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials

E. Approval of Accountability Connect with Lead4Ward Accountability Services

F.

Possible Ratification of Advocacy Contact Sharing Agreement with Texas Public Charter Schools Association (TPCSA)

G. Motion to Approve the Consent Items as presented

C. Ransbottom made a motion to approve the consent items as presented.
R. Mays seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

V. Expulsion Hearing

A. Call for Motion to enter Executive Closed Session Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.082 and 551.821 (Student Discipline)

R. Mays made a motion to move into executive session.
C. Clemmons seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
The Board entered into executive session at 10:16 a.m.

B. Discussion of Life School Oak Cliff Elementary Student Expulsion Appeal

C. Call for Motion to Reconvene in Open Session

S. Williams made a motion to reconvene in open session.
C. Ransbottom seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
The Board reconvened in open session at 11:02 a.m.

VI. Action Items

A. Consideration and Take Possible Action to Uphold the Decision of Life School Oak Cliff Elementary Student Expulsion

R. Mays made a motion to uphold the decision of Life School Oak Cliff Elementary student expulsion.
C. Clemmons seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. Possible Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

C. Ransbottom made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 03-19-25.
R. Mays seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

C. Consideration and Possible Acceptance of the Financial Report

C. Clemmons made a motion to accept the financial reports as presented.
C. Ransbottom seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

D. Consideration and Possible Approval of Texas Department of Agriculture Universal Free Breakfast Program and/or Waivers

S. Williams made a motion to approve the Texas Department of Agriculture Universal Free Breakfast Program and/or waivers.
R. Mays seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

E. Consideration and Possible Approval of the 2025-2026 Calendar of Attendance Dates

C. Ransbottom made a motion to approve the 2025-2026 Calendar of Attendance dates.
C. Clemmons seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

F. Consideration and Possible Approval of 2025-2026 Life School Course Guide Updates

S. Williams made a motion to approve the 2025-2026 Life School Course Guide Updates.
R. Mays seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

G. Consideration and Possible Ratification of Revisions to the “Student Records” Policy in Life School Board Policy Manual, Policy Group 3 – Students

C. Clemmons made a motion to ratify revisions to the "Student Records" policy in the Life School Board Policy Manual, Policy Group 3 - Students.
C. Ransbottom seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

H. Consideration and Possible Approval of Revisions to the “Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect” Policy in Life School Board Policy Manual, Policy Group 4 – Personnel

S. Williams made a motion to approve revisions to the “Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect” Policy in Life School Board Policy Manual, Policy Group 4 – Personnel.
R. Mays seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

VII. Information Items

A. Upcoming Dates

Upcoming dates were provided.

B. Legislative Update

Megan Beck provided information related to current bills being considered in the Texas legislature.

VIII. Executive Closed Session

A. Call for Motion to Enter Executive Closed Session

C. Ransbottom made a motion to enter executive closed session.
C. Clemmons seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
The Board entered Executive Closed Session at 11:21 a.m.

B. Possible Discussion of Intruder Detection Audit

C. Possible Discussion of Contract with Private Security Company for Security Personnel

D. Possible Discussion of Good Cause Exception and Alternative Standard for Security Services

E. Possible Discussion of Leased Property

F. Possible Discussion of Property

G. Possible Discussion of Personnel

H. Motion to Reconvene in Open Session

R. Mays made a motion to reconvene in open session.
C. Ransbottom seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
The Board reconvened in open session at 11:55 a.m.

IX. Possible Action from Items Discussed in Closed Session

A. Consideration and Possible Ratification and Approval of the Construction Manager Agreement and Guaranteed Maximum Price for the Construction of the Duncanville High School Project as Discussed in Closed Session

S. Williams made a motion to Ratify and Approve the Construction Manager Agreement and Guaranteed Maximum Price for the Construction of the Duncanville High School Project as Discussed in Closed Session.
R. Mays seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B.

Consideration and Possible Approval of Contract with Private Security Company for Security Personnel as Discussed in Closed Session

C. Ransbottom made a motion to Approve the Contract with Private Security Company for Security Personnel as Discussed in Closed Session.
R. Mays seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

C. Consideration and Possible Approval of Board Resolution for Good Cause Exception and Alternative Standard for Security Services as Discussed in Closed Session

S. Williams made a motion to Approve the Board Resolution for Good Cause Exception and Alternative Standard for Security Services as Discussed in Closed Session.
C. Ransbottom seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

X. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

S. Williams made a motion to adjourn.
R. Mays seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 11:58 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
S. Fuller Ed.D.

This agenda posted on April 10, 2025 at 9:35 a.m.

Brent Wilson, Ed.D.
Superintendent