

APPROVED



Life School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday October 20, 2025 at 5:15 PM

Directors Present

B. Wilson Ed.D., C. Clemons, R. Martinez, R. Mays, S. Lee Ph.D., S. Williams

Directors Absent

C. Ransbottom

Guests Present

J. Hilton

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 Monday Oct 20, 2025 at 5:15 PM.

C. Speakers on Public Sign-up Sheet

No speakers for public comment.

II. Opening Ceremonies**A. Pledge of Allegiance/Texas Pledge**

Students from Life Middle School Waxahachie presented the Pledges and I will statement.

B. Invocation

Ruben Martinez gave the invocation.

C. Recognitions

III. Education Foundation Presentation Update

A. Life School Education Foundation Update

Eddie Davis provided the monthly report for the Life School Education Foundation. For the month of August 2025, the Foundation received \$20,011 in donations. Year-to-date contributions total \$284,919.

The GEM (Give Every Month) program remains steady with approximately 202 recurring givers, generating around \$1,700 in monthly contributions.

IV. Information Items

A. Nomination of Board Members

Dr. Scott Fuller reminded the Board that nomination for Board Members are next month.

B. Education First Trips

Leigh Dopson presented information about Education First Trips.

V. Public Hearing/Board Training

A. Motion to Enter a Public Hearing

S. Lee Ph.D. made a motion to enter into a public hearing.

R. Martinez seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

C. Clemons Aye

R. Mays Aye

C. Ransbottom Absent

S. Williams Aye

B. Wilson Ed.D. Aye

R. Martinez Aye

S. Lee Ph.D. Aye

The Board entered into the public hearing at 5:28 p.m.

B.

State Financial Accountability Rating (FIRST)

Megan Beck presented the State Financial Accountability Rating (FIRST).

C. Bilingual/ESL End of the year Review 2024-2025

Jeana Clary presented the Bilingual/ESL End of the Year Review 2024-2025.

D. Motion to Close Public Hearing and Reconvene in Regular Session

R. Martinez made a motion to close the public hearing.

R. Mays seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

R. Martinez Aye

C. Clemons Aye

R. Mays Aye

C. Ransbottom Absent

S. Lee Ph.D. Aye

B. Wilson Ed.D. Aye

S. Williams Aye

The Board entered back into open session at 5:47 p.m.

VI. Consent Items

A. Acceptance of New Hires and Terminations

B. Acceptance of Gifts and Donations

C. Acceptance of the State Financial Accountability Rating (FIRST) Report as presented in the Public Hearing

D. Acceptance of the Bilingual/ESL End of the Year Review 2024-2025 as Presented in the Public Hearing

E. Motion to Approve the Consent Items as presented

S. Williams made a motion to approve the consent items as presented.

R. Martinez seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

C. Ransbottom Absent

B. Wilson Ed.D. Aye

C. Clemons Aye

S. Williams Aye

Roll Call

R. Martinez	Aye
R. Mays	Aye
S. Lee Ph.D.	Aye

VII. Action Items

A. Possible Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

R. Martinez made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 09-15-25.

S. Williams seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

B. Wilson Ed.D.	Aye
S. Williams	Aye
R. Martinez	Aye
S. Lee Ph.D.	Abstain
C. Clemons	Abstain
C. Ransbottom	Absent
R. Mays	Abstain

B. Consideration and Possible Approval for 2025-2026 Life School Student Health Advisory Council (SHAC) Members

R. Martinez made a motion to approve the 2025-2026 Life School Student Health Advisory Council (SHAC) Members.

C. Clemons seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

C. Clemons	Aye
R. Martinez	Aye
S. Lee Ph.D.	Aye
C. Ransbottom	Absent
B. Wilson Ed.D.	Aye
R. Mays	Aye
S. Williams	Aye

C. Consideration and Possible Approval of TEA Applications for Remote Conferencing and Remote Homebound Waivers

S. Lee Ph.D. made a motion to approve the TEA Applications for Remote Conferencing and Homebound Waivers as presented.

R. Mays seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

R. Martinez	Aye
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Roll Call

S. Williams Aye
R. Mays Aye
S. Lee Ph.D. Aye
C. Ransbottom Absent
B. Wilson Ed.D. Aye
C. Clemons Aye

D. Consideration and Possible Acceptance of the Financial Report

C. Clemons made a motion to accept the financial reports as presented.
R. Martinez seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

B. Wilson Ed.D. Aye
R. Mays Aye
R. Martinez Aye
C. Clemons Aye
C. Ransbottom Absent
S. Williams Aye
S. Lee Ph.D. Aye

E. Consideration and Possible Approval of the Depository Contract

S. Lee Ph.D. made a motion to approve to continue to use InterBank as Life School's depository.
S. Williams seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

B. Wilson Ed.D. Aye
C. Ransbottom Absent
S. Lee Ph.D. Aye
R. Mays Aye
S. Williams Aye
C. Clemons Aye
R. Martinez Aye

F. Consideration and Possible Ratification of the BrightView Landscape Services Agreement

R. Mays made a motion to ratify the landscape services agreement with BrightView Landscape Services, Inc. with a budgeted amount of \$256,836.00 for the 2025-2026 school year as presented.
S. Williams seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

R. Martinez Aye
C. Clemons Aye
C. Ransbottom Absent
S. Williams Aye
R. Mays Aye
B. Wilson Ed.D. Aye
S. Lee Ph.D. Aye

G. Consideration and Possible Approval of "Use of Digital Devices" Policy in Life School Board Policy Manual, Policy Group 1 - Governance

R. Martinez made a motion to approve of the "Use of Digital Devices" policy in Life School Board Policy Manual, Policy Group 1 - Governance effective October 20, 2025 as presented.

S. Lee Ph.D. seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

R. Martinez Aye
S. Williams Aye
S. Lee Ph.D. Aye
C. Ransbottom Absent
R. Mays Aye
C. Clemons Aye
B. Wilson Ed.D. Aye

H. Consideration and Possible Approval of Revisions to the "Purchasing and Contracting" Policy in Life School Board Policy Manual, Policy Group 5 - Fiscal Management

S. Williams made a motion to approve of the revisions to the "Purchasing and Contracting" policy in Life School Board Policy Manual, Policy Group 5 – Fiscal Management effective October 20, 2025 as presented.

R. Mays seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

R. Mays Aye
S. Lee Ph.D. Aye
R. Martinez Aye
B. Wilson Ed.D. Aye
C. Ransbottom Absent
C. Clemons Aye
S. Williams Aye

I.

Consider and Take Possible Action on Board Resolution for Compliance with Texas Education Code Section 11.005 (Prohibition on DEI Duties) and Section 28.0022 (Certain Instructional Requirements and Prohibitions)

C. Clemons made a motion to approve of the board resolution for compliance with Texas Education Code section 11.005 (Prohibition on DEI Duties) and Section 28.0022 (Certain Instructional Requirements and Prohibitions) as presented.

S. Williams seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

C. Ransbottom Absent

R. Martinez Aye

S. Lee Ph.D. No

B. Wilson Ed.D. Aye

R. Mays Aye

C. Clemons Aye

S. Williams Aye

VIII. Executive Closed Session

A. Call for Motion to Enter Executive Closed Session

R. Martinez made a motion to go into Closed Session.

S. Lee Ph.D. seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

R. Martinez Aye

R. Mays Aye

C. Ransbottom Absent

B. Wilson Ed.D. Aye

S. Williams Aye

S. Lee Ph.D. Aye

C. Clemons Aye

The Board went into closed session at 6:08 p.m.

B. Possible Discussion of Intruder Detection Audit

C. Possible Discussion of Property

D. Possible Discussion of Personnel

E. Possible Discussion of Superintendent Final Evaluation

F. Possible Discussion of Annual Review of the Superintendent Succession Plan

G.

Motion to Reconvene in Open Session

S. Lee Ph.D. made a motion to reconvene in open session.

R. Martinez seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

C. Clemons Aye

S. Williams Aye

C. Ransbottom Absent

B. Wilson Ed.D. Aye

R. Mays Aye

S. Lee Ph.D. Aye

R. Martinez Aye

The Board reconvened in open session at 7:00 p.m.

IX. Possible Action Items Discussed in Closed Session

A. Possible Approval of Superintendent Final Evaluation

S. Williams made a motion to approve of the Superintendent Final Evaluation.

R. Mays seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

S. Williams Aye

B. Wilson Ed.D. Abstain

C. Clemons Aye

C. Ransbottom Absent

R. Martinez Aye

S. Lee Ph.D. Aye

R. Mays Aye

X. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

S. Williams made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

S. Lee Ph.D. seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

C. Ransbottom Absent

R. Martinez Aye

C. Clemons Aye

S. Williams Aye

R. Mays Aye

Roll Call

B. Wilson Ed.D. Aye

S. Lee Ph.D. Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Hilton

This agenda posted on October 2, 2025 at 4:00 pm.

Brent Wilson, Ed.D.

Superintendent