



Minutes:

June 16, 2026

10:00 - 10:13 | Coffee and Conversation (w/ Talisman coffee) - 13:00 min
60+ in attendance

10:13 - 10:15 | Welcome (Chad Cotton) - 02:00 min

10:15 - 10:20 | Introductions (Heather Wong) - 05:00 min

Chair for schools committee

Recognition of AISD Trustee Candice Hunter, committee members, Mennonite church

Scholarship exists because of Rebecca - artist, teacher, mother, grandmother, godmother, foster mother, huge heart for young people.

Today, you young scholars are Rebecca's favorite people

34 recipients from McCallum, LBD, Northeast, Garza, Austin High

Emily Vitrice? Member of schools committee

Introduction of scholarship recipients

13 of 34 hear to receive award

Jose Emilio Araujo

From Venezuela, HS at NE, computer science UTSA

Enjoys helping people from country of origin

Community service is

Jose Ignacio Araujo

Eva Del Rios-Lee, Austin High

Jiselle Edgley, LBJ, Biology UTSA

Angel Garland, LBJ, Biology at Southwestern Christian College

Elise Garza, McCallum, Behavioral and Social Data Science, UT Austin

Isela Gonzalez-Patino, LBJ, Psychology, Texas State, graduated with associates from ACC

Nallely Guerrero Tovar, LBJ, Kinesiology, St. Edwards

Rhiana Hardaway, Northeast, Biology University of Houston

Hezekiah Hunter, Garza Independent, Musical Theater at ACC

Ginesys Hyder, LBJ, Nursing at University of Houston

Evelyn Jenkins, McCallum, Political Science UC Boulder
Esperanza Rodriguez-Ochoa, LBJ, Accounting UT Austin
Tray Riley, LBJ, Business at Howard Payne University
Mareli Saucedo-Jaramillo, Northeast, Management Information Systems, UT Austin
Dulce Velazquez-Trejo, LBJ, Radiologic Technology, UT Austin
Aubrey Lopez, Northeast, Accounting Texas A&M
Lila Brotherton, McCallum, Biology Texas Tech
Shogufta Yousafzai, LBJ, Pre-med at ACC

Recognition of Chris O'Donell - helped open LBJ to applicants
College career counselor
17 applicants from LBJ - mostly first generation college students

10:20 - 10:25 | Trustee Comments (Candice Hunter) - 05:00 min

Thanks to Schools' committee, scholarships, gratitude to Windsor Park NA

10:25 - 11:10 | Scholarship Presentations (Emily Vitris) - 45:00 min

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11:10 - 11:15 | Scholarship Fund Appeal (Heather Wong) - 05:00 min

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Business Items

14 in attendance

11:15 - 11:25 | Neighbors' Communications (You) - 10:00 min

Austin Energy Building, until 1pm, showing design for 51st development near IH-35

Heather Wong - Austin ATX116, AISD advocacy non-profit.

UH Library Wed 5:30-7:30, WPNA and ATX116 hosting, partially about TEA takeover threat.
Discussing what can do today to avoid takeover that could occur in August

State board of education- trying to revamp state level social studies program

SAMP - comment period open until 6/22/26

Jeanette - Doggett got funding written into Big Beautiful Bill for bridge over Tanehill Branch Creek

Hector - Life Austin Church asking for re-zoning- possible to expand easement for bridge crossing to include more space

Coming Up:

- June Events

- June 16th from 6 PM to 8 PM; **Tavern Theology** presented by Austin Mennonite Church this month at Cherrywood Coffeehouse 1400 E. 38th 1/2 St.
- June 17, 2025 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm; ATX116 Alliance presents **Community discussion on AISD Takeover Threat** by the state at University Hills Branch Library 4721 Loyola Lane, Austin, TX 78723
- June 21th from 10:00 to 12 Noon; WPNA's Enlivenment Committee **Open Mic Night** at "Carol's Deck" 6406 Linda Lane
- June 28 from 1:30 to 3:00 pm **Deputy Voter Registrars Training** at the Austin Mennonite Church 5801 Westminster Dr, Austin, TX 78723

11:25 - 11:28 | Library Updates (Kelly Overton) - 03:00 min

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11:28 - 11:33 | Yard of the Month (Sara Jane Lee) - 05:00 min

1703 Cloverleaf

Lost heritage oak trees in 2023 Ice Storm, changed to pollinator garden, did City of Austin water wise program, scooped up old bermuda grass, put down new soil. \$50 gift certificate from Shoal Creek Nursery

11:33 - 11:38 | Treasurers Report (Sam Searle) - 05:00 min

Not a lot of activity in May

Paid first scholarship check today

Will be spending funds over next 3 months

No big expenditures coming up

250 members, same place as last year, goal is 300

20k from Mennonite church, couple large donors in neighborhood

Schools committee looking for broader program for immigrants since they are no longer eligible for in-state tuition

11:38 - 11:43 | Minutes Adoption (Chad Cotton) - 05:00 min

Accept minutes

No opposed, no absentions

11:43 - 11:43 | Adjourn (Chad Cotton) - 00:00 min

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11:43 - 12:03 | Cleanup (Everyone) - 20:00 min

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2026 Scholarship Recipients

Eleni Abraha,
Raquel Alvarez-Fuentes,
Jose Emilio Araujo,
Jose Ignacio Araujo,
Lila Brotherton,
Eva Del Rios-Lee,
Giselle Diaz,
Jiselle Edgley,
Sage Flowers,
Summit Flowers,
Angel Garland,
Elise Garza,
Heidi Gomez Garcia,
Isela Gonzalez-Patino,
Anayeli Guerra,
Nallely Guerrero Tovar,
Rhiana Hardaway,

Hezekiah Hunter,
Ginesys Hyder,
Evelyn Jenkins,
Dadrian Johnson,
Naidelin Jordan-Gomez,
Aubrey Lopez,
River (Soren) Margrave,
Desiree Martinez,
Eric Mathews,
Casey Pineda Hernandez,
Sandy Riley,
Esperanza Rodriguez-Ochoa,
Mareli Saucedo-Jaramillo,
Benazir Shir Mohammad,
Isabel Urbina,
Dulce Velazquez-Trejo,
Shogufta Yousafzai

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