

City of Baker School Board Meeting

February 3, 2026

MINUTES

The City of Baker School Board held a meeting beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at the School Board Office.

President Butler called the meeting to order and explained to visitors that the process for speaking on action agenda items is to request a comment card from Ms. Blackmore, write your name and the number of the agenda item you wish to speak on, and return the card to Ms. Blackmore. Visitors will be allowed two (2) minutes to speak.

President Butler welcomed all visitors and called the public meeting to order. She then took roll:

- Perkins: Present
- Profit: Present
- Burges: Present
- Joseph: Present
- Butler: Present

Ms. Butler announced there was a quorum, and the meeting would proceed.

Ms. Butler requested that everyone stand for a moment of silent meditation/prayer led by Mrs. Profit, and the Pledge of Allegiance, to be led by Mrs. Perkins.

Recognitions / Visitors:

- Walmart donated fruit.
- Rose Hill Baptist Church was acknowledged.
- Councilman Anthony B. Kenney addressed the Board and thanked the Board for its work supporting students.
- Representative Roy Daryl Adams was acknowledged.
- Vice President Burges recognized the Baker High School auditorium ribbon cutting and noted that the auditorium was built in 1949 and was listed on the National Register of Historic Places through the efforts of community members, including Jean Byers.
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Approval of Agenda:

On motion of Mrs. Profit seconded by Mrs. Burges, the Board voted to approve the meeting agenda. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Burges, Joseph, and Butler. Voting no: None.

Action Items:

1. Consideration and Approval of Minutes from the School Board Meeting of January 6, 2026

On motion of Mrs. Profit seconded by Mrs. Burges, the Board voted to approve the minutes from the Board meeting of January 6, 2026. Voting yes: Joseph, Burges, Profit, and Butler. Abstained: Perkins. Voting no: None.

2. Consideration and Acceptance of Monthly Financial Reports including Budget to Actual Comparisons for the Period Ending December 31, 2025

The monthly financial report, including Budget to Actual comparisons for the period ending December 31, 2025, was presented. On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Profit, the Board voted to accept the monthly financial reports. Voting yes: Butler, Burges, and Profit. Voting no: Joseph and Perkins.

3. Consideration and Approval of School Board Member Training Resolution for 2025

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Perkins, the Board voted to approve the School Board Member Training Resolution for 2025. Voting yes: Perkins, Burges, Profit, Joseph, and Butler. Voting no: None.

4. Consideration and Adoption of Policies (A-5.3, B-6, D-5, D-6.1, D-14.3, and KLG)

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Profit, the Board voted to adopt the listed policies. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Burges, Joseph, and Butler. Voting no: None.

During discussion, Dr. Toni Jackson addressed the Board with concerns regarding agenda compliance with open meeting requirements. The Superintendent indicated he would verify what was posted in the legal ads and, if necessary, bring the item back at the next meeting.

Informational Items:**1. Superintendent Report**

The Superintendent provided an update on grant activity, including plans to resubmit grants that were impacted by a government shutdown, and an update on the state grant request for football stadium funding.

2. Report from Helix

Helix provided an update highlighting the auditorium ribbon cutting and noted that graduation will be held at the Bethany campus due to capacity considerations.

3. Policy Review / Discussion

The Superintendent referenced a policy alert sheet recommending changes based on updates to state code and noted a new policy, H-3.6, Behavioral Health Services Support for Students. Board members discussed public participation time limits (three minutes vs. five minutes), and the Superintendent indicated he would bring back options for Board consideration as an action item.

Announcements:

1. Town Hall Meeting: Ms. Burges announced a tentative town hall meeting for Thursday, February 19, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at Baker High School (media room).
2. Date of Next Meeting: March 3, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

On motion of Mrs. Profit seconded by Mrs. Burges, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Burges, Joseph, and Butler. Voting no: None.

Board President

Secretary