

MINUTES OF MEETING DATE May 18, 2026

DALLAS COUNTY
JUVENILE BOARD

TIME: 5:00 p.m.

PLACE: Youth Village Cafeteria
1576 E. Langdon Rd.
Dallas, TX 75241

MEMBERS PRESENT: Judge Cheryl Lee Shannon, Chairman
Judge Elizabeth Frizell
Judge Sandra Jackson
Judge Clay Lewis Jenkins
Judge Andrea Martin
Commissioner Andy Sommerman
Dr. Sylvia Lopez, YSAB Chairman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Judge Andrea Plumlee, Vice-Chairman
Judge Veretta Frazier

I. Call to Order

Judge Cheryl Lee Shannon, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., noting there were enough Board members, and a quorum was present.

Tour the Lyle B Medlock Youth Treatment Center and Dallas County Youth Village

Judge Cheryl L Shannon, Judge Andrea Martin, Judge Elizabeth Frizell, Judge Sandra Jackson, Dr. Sylvia Lopez, and Commissioner Andy Sommerman toured both facilities.

- Tour Start Time: 5:00 p.m.
- Tour End Time: 5:27 p.m.

II. Public Hearing for Academy for Academic Excellence (AAE)

1. Motion to Open Public Hearing

Judge Andrea Martin moved, seconded by Judge Elizabeth Frizell, to open the public hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Discussion and Request for Public Comments

No comments or public comments made

3. Motion to close Public Hearing

Judge Andrea Martin moved, seconded by Judge Elizabeth Frizell, to close the public hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Discussion Items – Academy for Academic Excellence (AAE)

A. Academy for Academic Excellence Charter School Update

Mr. H. Lynn Hadnot, Dallas County Juvenile Department Director, greeted the Board and informed the members that the updates were provided in the packet each member received.

IV. Consent Agenda – Academy for Academic Excellence**B. Approval of Texas Education Agency Requirements for the Academy for Academic Excellence for TEXAS Essential Knowledge and Skills Certification**

Judge Andrea Martin moved, seconded by Judge Elizabeth Frizell, to approve the consent agenda item B. The motion passed unanimously.

Recess as AAE

Judge Elizabeth Frizell moved, seconded by Judge Andrea Martin, to recess as the Academy for Academic Excellence. The motion passed unanimously.

Reconvene as the Juvenile Board

Judge Elizabeth Frizell moved, seconded by Judge Andrea Martin, to reconvene as the Juvenile Board. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Approval of Minutes for March 23, 2026, meeting.

Judge Andrea Martin moved, seconded by Judge Elizabeth Frizell, to approve the minutes for the meeting held on March 23, 2026. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Public Comment (Limited to 3 minutes per individual or organization)

No public comments

VII. Consent Agenda Items C-M: Juvenile Department

Judge Andrea Martin moved, seconded by Judge Elizabeth Frizell, to approve Consent Agenda items C-M. The motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Action Items – Juvenile Department**N. Juvenile Board Budget Retreat – Saturday, June 6, 2026**

No meeting needed, no votes were taken

O. Youth Services Advisory Board (YSAB) Appointment

Commissioner Andy Sommerman asked how the candidates were chosen for the open Board positions.

Dr. Sylvia Lopea, Youth Services Advisory Board (YSAB), Chairman, responded, informing the Board that the YSAB received (4) resumes from candidates, the Board reviewed the information, voted, and then selected the new member.

Commissioner Andy Sommerman moved, seconded by Judge Andrea Martin, to approve of the appointment of the Youth Advisory Board Member. The motion passed unanimously.

IX. Discussion Items – Juvenile Department

Mr. H. Lynn Hadnot, Executive Director for the Dallas County Juvenile Department, provided the department updates.

X. Executive Session – Juvenile Department

For Purposes Permitted by Chapter 551, Open Meetings, Texas Government Code, and Section 551.071 through Section 551076 Subjects:

Contracts Personnel Security Litigation: 37653 and 80206

Litigation (Pending or Contemplated): Legal Advice, Consideration of Private Legal Counsel Appointment for Juvenile Director H. Lynn Hadnot/ Juvenile Department and Juvenile Board Members regarding Civil Service Action, March 16, 2026.

The Board postponed Executive Session items Litigation: 37653 & Litigation (Pending or Contemplated): Legal Advice, Consideration of Private Legal Counsel Appointment for Juvenile Director H. Lynn Hadnot/ Juvenile Department and Juvenile Board Members regarding Civil Service Action, March 16, 2026.

The only item taken up for Executive Session was Litigation: 80206.

- *Session Start Time: 5:53 p.m.*
- *Session End Time: 6:23 p.m.*

Adjournment 6:24 p.m.

Judge Elizabeth Frizell moved, seconded by Judge Andrea Martin, to adjourn as the Juvenile Board. The motion passed unanimously

Minutes prepared by Rochelle Ashford, Administrative Clerk