

WHITE SETTLEMENT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
OFFICIAL MINUTES
September 21, 2026

Members Present

Ms. Krystal Arnold, Mr. Ben Davis, Mr. Briley Hicks, Mr. John Morton, and Ms. Amanda Sanchez.

School Officials Present

Mr. Frank Molinar, Ms. Brandilyn DePalma, and Ms. Crystal Intfen

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. Following roll call, the announcement was made by Ms. Amanda Sanchez, Board President, that 5 members of the Board of Trustees present constitutes a quorum.

The Superintendent recognized the passing of Mrs. Heather Crow, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, who served the district for twenty five years.

B. Public Comments

Aaron James addressed the board regarding Start with Hello Week.

John Bradley addressed the board regarding District Accountability Ratings.

Scott Evans addressed the board regarding School Board Appointments.

C. Appointment of Trustees

Ms. Amanda Sanchez, Board President, moved to address Separate Item #1

Consider and Take Possible Action to Appoint Individuals to Fill Vacancies in Place 1 and Place 2 on the WSISD Board of Trustees, to Serve Until the Next Trustee Election, Pursuant to Texas Education Code 11.060

Mr. Briley Hicks made the motion, seconded by Ben Davis to appoint Michael Brannon to Place 1, and Randy Armstrong to Place 2.

Those in favor: Arnold, Davis, Hicks, Morton, and Sanchez

Those opposed: 0

Mr. Michael Brannon and Mr. Randy Armstrong then completed the Statement of Officer, Oath of Office, and took their places at the board panel.

D. Recognitions

Mr. Tommy Neal, Brewer High School Principal, introduced BHS TAFE (Texas Association of Future Educators) students, and the Honeycomb Officers.

Mrs. Crystal Intfen, Secondary Education Director, recognized Elementary Instructional All-Star, Shannon Wilson, second grade teacher at North STEAM Academy, and Secondary All-Star, Nattalee Ingram, BHS Algebra 1 teacher.

E. Closed Meeting

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:59 p.m.

F. Reconvene to Open Session

The Board reconvened to open session at 7:03 p.m.

G. Information Items

Superintendent's Report

a. Financial Update

Ms. Brandilyn DePalma, Chief Financial Officer, gave a financial update to the Board for August 2026.

b. Construction Update

Mr. Randy Summerhill gave an update to the Board on the HVAC replacement project.

c. TMAC- Manufacturing Day

Mr. Randy Summerhill gave an update to the Board TMAC, and introduced TMAC Representatives, Brittney Rosenberg, Robin Evans, and Lisa Dougherty, who gave a presentation on their partnership.

b. Instructional Update

Ms. Crystal Intfen, Secondary Education Director, and Mrs. Kerry Cooper, Elementary Education Director, gave an update regarding the 2025 Accountability Ratings, including celebrations, goals, and next steps. They also introduced Dr. Whitney Clark, Contracted Specialist for Liberty and Blue Haze.

H. Consent Items

The motion was made by Mr. Ben Davis and seconded by Mr. John Morton to approve the 9 consent items as presented.

G.1 Approve Minutes of August 17, 2026 Regular Meeting and September 3, 8, and 9 Special Meetings

G.2. Consider Monthly Expenditures for August 2026

G.3. Consider Approval of Amended Budget

G.4. Consider Approval of Vendor for Compensation and Staffing Analysis

G.5. Consider Approval of Special Programs Contracted Services

G.6 Consider Approval of ParentSquare Communication Platform and Virtual Phone Services

G.7. Consider Approval of ClassLink Services

G.8. Consider Approval of Interlocal Agreement with the EPIC6 Purchasing Cooperative

G.9. Consider Approval of AIA B105 Agreement with Reed, Wells, Benson, and Company

Motion carried with 6-1

Those in favor: Arnold, Brannon, Davis, Hicks, Morton, and Sanchez

Those opposed: 0

Those abstained: 1- Armstrong

I. Separate Items

1. Consider and Take Possible Action to Appoint Individuals to Fill Vacancies in Place 1 and Place 2 on the WSISD Board of Trustees, to Serve Until the Next Trustee Election, Pursuant to Texas Education Code 11.060

Action was taken on this item at the beginning of the meeting.

2. Consider Approval of Campus and District Improvement Plans

After the presentation by Ms. Crystal Intfen, Mr. John Morton made the motion and seconded by Mr. Ben Davis to approve the Campus and District Improvement Plans as presented.

Motion carried with 6-1

Those in favor: Arnold, Brannon, Davis, Hicks, Morton, and Sanchez

Those opposed: 0

Those abstained: 1- Armstrong

3. Consider Approval of Purchase of Campus Library Books

After the presentation by Ms. Kerry Cooper, Mr. Briley Hicks made the motion then seconded by Ms. Krystal Arnold to approve the purchase of campus library books as presented.

Motion carried with 6-1

Those in favor: Arnold, Brannon, Davis, Hicks, Morton, and Sanchez

Those opposed: 0

Those abstained: 1- Armstrong

4. Consider Approval of Certification of Compliance with Certain Laws Under Texas Education Code 39.008 as Enacted by Senate Bill 12

After the presentation by Ms. Sherry Taylor, Ms. Amanda Sanchez, Board President, provided an opportunity for public testimony regarding this item. Mr. Aaron James briefly addressed the board. Ms. Krystal Arnold made the motion then seconded by Mr. Briley Hicks to approve the Certification of Compliance with Certain Laws Under Texas Education Code 39.008 as Enacted by Senate Bill 12 as presented.

Motion carried with 6-1

Those in favor: Arnold, Brannon, Davis, Hicks, Morton, and Sanchez

Those opposed: 0

Those abstained: 1- Armstrong

J. Consider Items Discussed in Closed Meeting Including Personnel

The motion was made by Ms. Krystal Arnold and seconded by Mr. Ben Davis to approve the appointments of Sara Allen, Sarahi Castillo, and Renee Meyer, and the resignations of Lynette Alexander, Stephanie Huizar, and Anelle Martinez-Torres as presented.

Motion carried with 6-1

Those in favor: Arnold, Brannon, Davis, Hicks, Morton, and Sanchez

Those opposed: 0

Those abstained: 1- Armstrong

K. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

President

Secretary