

September 14, 2026

The Board of Education of the McKinney Independent School District met in a Regular Board of Trustees meeting on September 14, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM in the McKinney ISD Stadium and Event Center, 4201 South Hardin Blvd., McKinney, Texas 75070. Board President, Amy Dankel, called the meeting to order 6:00 PM and established a quorum.

Members Present

Harvey Oaxaca, Larry Jagours, Corey Homer, Lynn Sperry, Kenneth Ussery, Amy Dankel, Jennifer Gray

Members Absent

Administration Present

Superintendent, Shawn Pratt
Deputy Superintendent of Leadership, Melanie Raleeh
Chief School Improvement Federal Programs Officer, Jennifer Akins
Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning, Dr. Amber Epperson
Executive Director of Secondary Leadership, Jeff Banner
Executive Director of Elementary Leadership, Molly Hovan
Assistant Superintendent of Communications & Public Relations, Dr. Shelly Spaulding
Chief Financial Officer, Marlene Harbeson
Chief Operations Officer, Greg Suttle
Chief Information Officer, Stephen McGilvray
Assistant Superintendent of Business Operations & Technology, Dr. Dennis Womack
Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, Alana Chisum
Senior Director of Legal Affairs, Aretha Jackson
Executive Assistant, Azaleah Barreto

Call to Order

First order of Business

Announcement by the board president whether a quorum is present, that the meeting had been duly called and notice of the meeting had been posted for the time and manner required by law.

Invocation led by Board Member, Kenneth Ussery

Pledges of Allegiance led by Board Member, Kenneth Ussery

Discussion / Action

Oath of Office

New board member, Jennifer Gray, was sworn in as McKinney ISD Board of Trustee

Recognitions

Board Trustee — Stephanie O'Dell

Superintendent Shawn Pratt recognized Board Trustee, Stephanie O'Dell, for her years of service and dedication to the McKinney ISD Board of Trustees

We Are McKinney Superintendent Award

Assistant Superintendent of Communications and Public Relations, Dr. Shelly Spaulding presented Sara Hayes from McKinney Boyd High School and Tiffany Merder from McKinney North High School with the We Are McKinney Superintendent Award

MISD Lives Kind

Director of Guidance & Counseling, Debra Fort presented Reuben Johnson Elementary and their counseling team with the McKinney ISD Lives Kind Award

Frazier Elementary HRS Level 2 Certification

Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning, Dr. Amber Epperson recognized Frazier Elementary as receiving the Level 2 Certification of High Reliability Schools (HRS)

Region 10 Teacher of the Year — Tommy Gillett Burks Elementary

Assistant Superintendent of Communications & Public Relations, Dr. Shelly Spaulding recognized Tommy Gillett from Burks Elementary as the Region 10 Elementary Teacher of the Year

2025-2026 Texas Elementary Principals & Supervisors Association (TEPSA) Student Leadership Awards

Deputy Superintendent, Melanie Raleeh recognized Dowell Middle School, Minshew Elementary, Wilmeth Elementary and their STUCO council as recipients of the 2025-2026 Texas Elementary Principals & Supervisors Association (TEPSA) Student Leadership Awards

Faubion Middle School TMEA Honor Orchestra State Competition

Director of Fine Arts, Dr. Jared Critchfield, recognized Faubion Middle School Orchestra on receiving 5th in State at the TMEA Honor Orchestra State Competition

McKinney High School TMEA Honor Orchestra State Competition
 Director of Fine Arts, Dr. Jared Critchfield, recognized McKinney High School Symphony Orchestra on receiving 5th in State at the TMEA Honor Orchestra State Competition

National Federation of High School Associations
 Director of Athletics, Jennifer Frazier recognized Anna Sayman, McKinney North High School on receiving the National Federation of High School Associations

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

1. Jennifer Sorrells spoke on Aviation Program
2. Cheryl Hargrove spoke on I want to talk about the non-partisan event and rally on October 18 that will highlight the positive things going on in MISD.
3. Gina Aplin spoke on McKinney Aviation Academy Support
4. Jacob C. Luce spoke on Education Family Support
5. Lauren Lynn spoke on Education and Family Support
6. Christopher YU spoke on Computer science/ programming
7. Sandra Rios spoke on Strategic Plan Update
8. Cathey Atchison spoke on Making aviation student instructor flyovers a permanent privilege for MISD events

Closed Meeting

The Board entered executive session at 7:03 PM in accordance with Texas Open Meetings Act and Texas Government Code Section 551.071, 551.074, 551.076, 551.089

Personnel

Purchase/Exchange/Lease/Sale of Real Estate Property Update
 Safety & Security

The Board reconvened from executive session at 7:45 PM pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, 551.074, 551.076, 551.089

Public Hearing

Senate Bill 12 Certification

Senior Director of Legal Affairs, Aretha Jackson presented the Senate Bill 12 Certification

Presentations

Efficiency Audit Review for Voter Approval Tax Ratification Election (VATRE)
Chief Financial Officer, Marlene Harbeson introduced Kevin Randolph from Eide Bailey who provided a summary presentation on the Efficiency Audit Review for Voter Approval Tax Ratification Election (VATRE)

Strategic Plan Update: Pillar 6 - Refresh Cycles and Processes of Efficiency
Chief Operations Officer, Greg Suttle and Chief Information Officer, Stephen McGilvray provided an update on Strategic Plan Pillar 6- Refresh Cycles and Processes of Efficiency

Collegiate Academy of McKinney Update
Coordinator of Advanced Academics & Collegiate Partnerships, Javetta Jones-Roberson provided an update on McKinney ISD Collegiate Academy

Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes (SP 5.1)
 - 1. August 10, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Minutes
 - 2. August 17, 2026, Special Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Financial Reports (SP 6.2)
 - 1. Budget Amendments August 2026
 - 2. Donations Over \$5,000 August 2026
- C. Resolution Establishing Support of the McKinney Education Foundation for the 26-27 Fiscal Year (SP 4.2)
- D. Resolution Establishing Support of the McKinney Education Foundation for the 26-27 Fiscal Year for Dream Builders (SP 4.2)
- E. Participation in the Interlocal Agreement between Region 18 Educational Service Center and McKinney ISD (SP 6.1)
- F. Certified Appraisers for the Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System (TTESS) for the 2026-2027 School Year (SP 3.2)
- G. Minshew Elementary School - Approval of Estes McClure and Associates Engineering for Design and Construction Documents for HVAC, Lighting, and Fire Alarm Systems (SP 6.4)

Board Trustee, Jennifer Gray requested to abstain voting from Consent Agenda Item A as she was not currently serving on the board. Board President announced Consent Agenda Item A would be pulled and voted last of consent agenda items

Discussion/ Action

No. 9565

Consider Approval of Consent Agenda Items B-G

Motion was made by Corey Homer and seconded by Larry Jagours to approve the Consent Agenda items B-G as presented with the additions to Personnel Recommendations, Theresa Capps and Callie Doht

YEAS Corey Homer, Jennifer Gray, Amy Dankel, Harvey Oaxaca, Lynn Sperry, Kenneth Ussery, Larry Jagours

NAYS None

Discussion/Action

No. 9566

Consider Approval of Consent Agenda Item A

Motion was made by Harvey Oaxaca and seconded by Kenneth Ussery to approve Consent Agenda Item A

YEAS Corey Homer, Amy Dankel, Harvey Oaxaca, Lynn Sperry, Kenneth Ussery, Larry Jagours

NAYS None

No. 9567

Senate Bill 12 Certification

Motion was made by Kenneth Ussery and seconded by Larry Jagours to adopt Senate Bill 12 Certification as presented

YEAS Corey Homer, Jennifer Gray, Amy Dankel, Harvey Oaxaca, Lynn Sperry, Kenneth Ussery, Larry Jagours

NAYS None

Monthly Written Reports

- A. Donations Less Than \$5,000 (SP 6.1)
- B. Bond Report (SP 6.3)
- C. Energy Report (SP 6.2)
- D. Construction Report (SP 6.2)
- E. Transportation Report (SP 1.1)
- F. HR Report (SP 3.1)
- G. Strategic Plan Update: Pillar 6 – Refresh Cycles and Processes of Efficiency (SP 6)

Future Business/Meetings/Events

- A. September 23, 2026, MISD Band Night, MISD Stadium, 7:00 PM
- B. September 28, 2026, District Professional Learning — Student Holiday
- C. September 29, 2026, Secondary Advice Night, McKinney High School, 5:30 PM
- D. October 3, 2026, McKinney Marching Invitational, MISD Stadium, 8:00 AM
- E. October 7, 2026, McKinney Education Foundation Purses with a Purpose Event, The Courts in McKinney
- F. October 8-11, 2026, txEDCON 2026 Conference, Houston, TX
- G. October 12–13, 2026, Fall Break- Student Holiday
- H. October 19, 2026, Regular Board Meeting, CEC, 6:00 PM

Adjournment

Motion was made by Larry Jagours and seconded by Lynn Sperry to adjourn.
The meeting adjourned at 8:46 PM

YEAS Amy Dankel, Harvey Oaxaca, Jennifer Gray, Corey Homer, Larry Jagours,
Lynn Sperry, Kenneth Ussery

NAYS None

AMY DANKEL, BOARD PRESIDENT

LYNN SPERRY, BOARD SECRETARY