

**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**Monday, October 27, 2025**  
**The Board of Trustees**  
**SPRING BRANCH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the SPRING BRANCH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT was held on **October 27, 2025**, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Wayne F. Schaper, Sr. Leadership Center, Board Room, 955 Campbell Rd., Houston, TX 77024, with the following Board Members present: Walker Agnew Jr., Courtney Anderson, Caroline H. Bennett, Chris Earnest, Jennifer Hyland, Shannon Mahan, and David Slattery.

Board President Shannon Mahan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. She noted that a quorum of Board Members was present.

President Mahan certified that the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.041, had been complied with in connection with public notice of the meeting.

1. **Pledge: Trustee David Slattery**
2. **Opening Prayer: Trustee Chris Earnest**
3. **Opening Remarks by the Superintendent**  
Superintendent Dr. Jennifer Blaine recognized the district's partnership in the Good Neighbor Program, commended Chief Baimbridge and his officers for their outstanding service, and congratulated Spring Branch ISD on achieving a record number of National Merit Semifinalists.
4. **Public Comment on Special Presentations**  
No one signed up to speak.
5. **Special Presentations**
  - A. **Sights and Sounds Around Spring Branch ISD**  
A video highlighting two district events was presented. The CTE "Destination Success" event introduced younger learners to Career and Technical Education, and the Class of 2025 Good Neighbors 20th-anniversary celebration.
  - B. **Recognition of National Merit Semifinalists**  
Twenty-eight SBISD students were recognized for being named National Merit Semifinalists.

C. Recognition of Chief Larry Baimbridge and the SBISD FBI Threat Mitigation Task Force as 2025 Dr. Rod Paige School Safety Award Winners

Chief Larry Baimbridge and Officers Reginald Denson and Taylor Bryant were recognized for receiving Region 4's Dr. Rod Paige School Safety Award for the second consecutive year, honoring their outstanding commitment to student and staff safety.

D. Recognition of Campus Safety Officers

Campus Safety Officers from every campus were recognized for their dedication to ensuring that safety protocols and procedures are consistently followed.

6. **Public Comment on Agenda Items or Non-Agenda Items**

Truffle Shuffle signed up but did not appear to speak.

7. **Public Hearing**

A. Public Hearing on the District's 2025 Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST)

SBISD Comptroller David Bender presented.

President Mahan opened the public hearing at 6:40 p.m., and with no one signed up to speak, the public hearing was closed at 6:40 p.m.

8. **Executive Session**

President Mahan recessed the Board into Executive Session at 6:41 p.m. in accordance with the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Act for the purposes listed below.

A. The Board will meet in Closed Session Under Section 551.074 of the Texas Open Meetings Act Regarding Routine Personnel Matters and Other Personnel Matters including Duties of Employees and Public Officers

B. The Board will meet in Closed Session Under Section 551.0821 of the Texas Open Meetings Act Regarding Deliberation of Personally Identifiable Information of a Public School Student

C. The Board will meet in Closed Session Under Section 551.076 of the Texas Open Meetings Act Regarding Deliberation of the Deployment, or Specific Occasions for Implementation of Security Personnel or Devices, or Deliberation of a Security Audit

D. The Board will meet in Closed Session Under Section 551.071 of the Texas Open Meetings Act in Consultation with the Board's Attorney Regarding All Matters as Authorized by Law, including, but not limited to, discussion of *Elizondo v. Spring Branch ISD*, Civ. Act. No. H-21-1997, and Legal Issues Surrounding Public Finance

President Mahan reconvened the meeting in open session at 7:41 p.m. and said that no action was taken while in closed session.

**9. Action as Needed from Executive Session**

**A. Request for Approval of Routine Personnel Items**

Motion was made by Vice President Caroline H. Bennett and seconded by Trustee David Slattery that the Board of Trustees approve routine personnel items as recommended.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

**10. Action**

**A. Request for Approval of 2025-26 Campus Performance Objectives**

Motion was made by Trustee Anderson and seconded by Secretary Agnew Jr. that the Board of Trustees approve the 2025-2026 Campus Performance Objectives.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

**B. Request for Approval of the Chapter 49 Contract Option 3 (Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit) and Board Delegation of Authority to Obligate the School District Under Chapter 49 to the Superintendent**

Motion was made by Vice President Bennett and seconded by Trustee Slattery that the Board of Trustees approve, for the 2025–2026 school year, the delegation of contractual authority to obligate the school district under Texas Education Code (TEC) §11.1511(c)(4) to the superintendent, solely for the purpose of obligating the district under TEC §48.257 and TEC Chapter 49, Subchapters A and D, and the rules adopted by the commissioner of education as authorized under TEC §49.006. This includes approval of the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

**11. Consent Agenda Action Items**

**A. Request for Approval of Budget Status Summary Report with Budget Amendments as of September 30, 2025**

**B. Request for Approval of Facility Improvement Program Monthly Status Report with Project Budget Changes as of September 30, 2025**

**C. Request for Approval of Contract Awards**

**1. Contract for Mass Communication Services**

**D. Request for Approval of Teacher Appraisers for the 2025-2026 School Year**

**E. Request for Approval of Student Fundraising for the 2025-2026 School Year**

**F. Request for Approval of Student Absences to Participate in Activities Sponsored by Texas AgriLife Extension Service (4H) as Extracurricular Absences and Recognition of the County Extension as Adjunct Staff Members**

**G. Request for Approval of Grant Awards and Other Services**

**H. Request for Approval of Payroll and Operating Expenses - September 2025**

**I. Request for Approval of Minutes for School Board Meetings**

**1. September 08, 2025 - Workshop Meeting**

**2. September 29, 2025 - Regular Meeting**

President Mahan read the rules for adopting the consent agenda action items.

Secretary Agnew Jr. requested that items 11C and 11D be removed from the consent agenda for separate discussion and a separate vote, and Trustee Hyland requested the same for item 11B.

Motion was made by Vice President Bennett and seconded by Trustee Courtney Anderson that the Board of Trustees approve the consent agenda action items with the exception of items 11B, 11C, and 11D.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

11B – Trustee Hyland requested that the Bond project rubric, including individual scoring and selection details, be made available to the Board and the public. She also inquired about the approval process for the facility improvement budget. Associate Superintendent for Finance Christine Porter provided an explanation. Motion was made by Trustee Hyland and seconded by Vice President Bennett that the Board of Trustees approve item 11B.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

11C – Secretary Agnew Jr. inquired about the current program and software used by the district and what the new purchase would replace. Associate Superintendent for Communications and Community Engagement Linda Buchman provided an explanation. Motion was made by Secretary Agnew Jr. and seconded by Trustee Hyland that the Board of Trustees approve Item 11C.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

11D – Secretary Agnew Jr. asked whether there is an additional stipend for teacher appraisers. Superintendent Dr. Blaine explained that there is no additional stipend. Motion was made by Secretary Agnew Jr. and seconded by Trustee Chris Earnest that the Board of Trustees approve Item 11D.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

**12. Closing Remarks by the Superintendent**

Dr. Blaine had no closing remarks.

**13. Meeting Adjourned**

President Mahan adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:03 p.m.

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Shannon Mahan  
President, Board of Trustees

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Walker Agnew Jr.  
Secretary, Board of Trustees

**Approved: November 17, 2025**