Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Boerne Independent School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Boerne Independent School District was held Monday, August 18, 2025, beginning at 5:00 PM in the BISD Board Room, 235 Johns Road, Boerne, TX 78006.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Kristi Schmidt called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 p.m.

II. ESTABLISH QUORUM

President – Kristi Schmidt

Vice President – *Courtney Darter-Bruce

Secretary - Rich Sena

Members – Sarah Faulkenberry, Carlin Friar, Dallas Pipes, Garrett Wilson

*Courtney Darter-Bruce arrived at approximately 5:05p.m.

III. CLOSED SESSION

Kristi Schmidt announced at approximately 5:01 p.m., the board will convene in Closed Session to discuss the following items; pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 551 of the Texas Open Meeting Act for the following purposes:

- A. Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.074 Deliberation regarding matters related to employment, appointments, resignations, terminations, retirements, and reassignments.
- B. Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.0821 Deliberation of personally identifiable information about a public school student.
- C. Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.072 Deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.
- D. Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.074 Discussion of roles and responsibilities of board members.

IV. OPEN SESSION

At approximately 6:30 p.m., the board reconvened in Open Session.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence by Voss Middle School Students <u>Voss Middle School students led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas flags. A moment of silence was then observed.</u>
 - B. Commendation of Student, Staff, and Community Achievements
- -TEA "A" Rating
- -2025 Outstanding Teaching of the Humanities Award
- -Best Communities for Music Education Award
- -TEPSA Student Leadership Award Recipients
- -The Texas Way Award
- C. Core Values in Action

The Core Values recipient was recognized.

D. BEF Wow Moment

The BEF Wow Moment was presented.

E. Visitor Comments/Testimonials

Jonah Evans - Spoke on the subject of transportation

Jaime Hudson – Spoke on the subject of welding program.

Steve Grant – Spoke on the subject of transportation.

Jerry Lamping & Richard Herbst – Spoke on the subject of TRS, BEF, and support for the homestead exemption resolution.

V. CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, REGARDING ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPERINTENDENT TO PROCEED AS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION. THIS MOTION, MADE BY COURTNEY DARTER-BRUCE AND SECONDED BY CARLIN FRIAR, PASSED.

COURTNEY DARTER-BRUCE: Yea
SARAH FAULKENBERRY: Yea
CARLIN FRIAR: Yea
DALLAS PIPES: Yea
KRISTI SCHMIDT: Yea
RICH SENA: Yea
GARRETT WILSON: Yea

A. Request for Approval of Routine Personnel Items

MOTION TO APPROVE THE PERSONNEL REPORT AS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION. THIS MOTION, MADE BY CARLIN FRIAR AND SECONDED BY DALLAS PIPES, PASSED.

COURTNEY DARTER-BRUCE: Yea
SARAH FAULKENBERRY: Yea
CARLIN FRIAR: Yea
DALLAS PIPES: Yea
KRISTI SCHMIDT: Yea
RICH SENA: Yea
GARRETT WILSON: Yea

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes from Prior Meetings
- B. Purchasing Report
- C. Quarterly Investment Report
- D. Chapter 49 Excess Revenue Annual Approval

For the 2025-2026 school year, we delegate 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 included approval of the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit.

- E. Consider Approval of Appraisal Calendar & Appraiser List
- F. Consider Approval of SHAC Committee
- G. Consider Approval of Adjunct Faculty Agreements
- H. Consider Approval of TASB Policy Update 125
- I. Consider Approval of Policy DBD (Local)
- J. Consider Approval of Policy EFB (Local)
- K. Consider Approval of Policy FD(Local)
- L. Consider Approval of Policy FNCE(Local)
- M. Consider Approval of Student Code of Conduct

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. THIS MOTION, MADE BY RICH SENA AND SECONDED BY GARRETT WILSON, PASSED.

COURTNEY DARTER-BRUCE: Yea
SARAH FAULKENBERRY: Yea
CARLIN FRIAR: Yea
DALLAS PIPES: Yea
KRISTI SCHMIDT: Yea
RICH SENA: Yea
GARRETT WILSON: Yea

VII. GOVERNANCE

A. Board Member Reports

Kristi Schmidt – Provided a PTO report. New and returning presidents attended the BISD convocation and enjoyed the ceremony. The first PTO president's meeting will be held on September 5.

Courtney Darter Bruce – Provided a report from the policy committee meeting. The committee reviewed policy revisions related to legislative changes. Policy updates were first presented to the board on July 17, 2025 for initial discussion and review. District administrators thoroughly reviewed policy changes in order to make recommendations to the board.

Carlin Friar – Provided a report from the finance committee meeting held August 13. The group received presentations and discussed the quarterly investment report, 2025 certified property values, adopted tax rates and election orders, as well as a VATRE approved teacher pay scale that would increase teacher compensation in order to be more competitive with area districts.

Sarah Faulkenberry – Provided a BEF report noting that at the BEF annual retreat three new board members were welcomed. BEF event Birdies for Boerne is scheduled for September 19. Also noted, BEF gave three teachers mini grants at new teacher orientation.

Carlin Friar – Provided a report from the safety & security committee meeting held July 30. The group discussed general security updates and new technology that is in place and being tested. New members were introduced.

B. Consider the Approval of a Resolution to Affirm Support for the Homestead Exemption Increases Passed During the 89th Legislative Session

Rich Sena provided information regarding the resolution regarding the homestead exemption increase and read the resolution out loud.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM SUPPORT FOR THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION INCREASES AS PRESENTED. THIS MOTION, MADE BY CARLIN FRIAR AND SECONDED BY GARRETT WILSON, PASSED.

COURTNEY DARTER-BRUCE: Yea
SARAH FAULKENBERRY: Yea
CARLIN FRIAR: Yea
DALLAS PIPES: Yea
KRISTI SCHMIDT: Yea
RICH SENA: Yea
GARRETT WILSON: Yea

VIII. REPORTS

- A. Superintendent
 - 1. District Updates

Dr. Kristin Craft provided the district update. Dr. Craft thanked the board for their support and being visible at our schools during the first week of school. BISD is off to a strong start.

Our current enrollment is 11,116 and that number reflects an increase of 107 students since the first day of school. Dr. Craft thanked our administrators and campus leaders for a great start of the school year. Our transportation staff is fully staffed thanks to the efforts of the board to support a pay increase for bus drivers. A new communication tool called Parent Square was lauched and has been met with favorable response. In response to SB12, a parent portal has been created in order to provide parents another way to contact the superintendent. Dr. Craft also noted that under HB2, children of teachers now qualify for pre-k services. BISD has 32 new pre-k students whose parents are also classroom teachers. Boerne ISD saved families \$898,000 in college tuition through the dual credit program and an additional \$865,000 through AP credits.

2. Discussion of Strategic Plan

Dr. Kristin Craft provided an update on the BISD strategic plan.

- B. Instruction
 - 1. Review of 2025 A-F Accountability Results Larissa Flores presented the A-F accountability results.

IX. ACTIONS

A. Business

1. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE DEFEASANCE AND CALLING FOR REDEMPTION CERTAIN CURRENTLY OUTSTANDING DISTRICT OBLIGATIONS IN THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF \$13,875,000; DELEGATING TO CERTAIN DISTRICT OFFICIALS AND STAFF THE AUTHORITY TO EFFECT MATTERS RELATED THERETO; AND OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

Wes Scott provided information regarding the defeasance resolution.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE BOERNE ISD'S DEFEASANCE RESOLUTION AS PRESENTED. THIS

MOTION, MADE BY GARRETT WILSON AND SECONDED BY CARLIN FRIAR, PASSED.

COURTNEY DARTER-BRUCE: Yea
SARAH FAULKENBERRY: Yea
CARLIN FRIAR: Yea
DALLAS PIPES: Yea
KRISTI SCHMIDT: Yea
RICH SENA: Yea
GARRETT WILSON: Yea

2. Public Hearing for Proposed Tax Rate

Wes Scott provided information regarding the proposed tax rate.

Kristi Schmidt then opened the floor at 7:58 p.m. for public comment on the tax rate.

Jerry Lamping made comments in support of the tax rate.

Kristi Schmidt then closed public hearing at 8:02 p.m.

3. Consider Approval of 2025-2026 Tax Rate Resolutions
Wes Scott presented information regarding the 2025-2026 tax rate resolutions.

MOTION THAT THE PROPERTY TAX RATE BE INCREASED BY THE ADOPTION OF A TAX RATE OF \$1.0109 WHICH IS EFFECTIVELY AN 2.02% INCREASE IN THE TAX RATE.

THIS MOTION, MADE BY GARRETT WILSON AND SECONDED BY CARLIN FRIAR, PASSED.

COURTNEY DARTER-BRUCE: Yea
SARAH FAULKENBERRY: Yea
CARLIN FRIAR: Yea
DALLAS PIPES: Yea
KRISTI SCHMIDT: Yea
RICH SENA: Yea
GARRETT WILSON: Yea

4. CONSIDER THE APPROVAL OF AN ORDER CALLING A TAX RATIFICATION ELECTION TO BE HELD BY THE BOERNE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, MAKING PROVISION FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION, AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THAT ELECTION

Wes Scott presented information regarding the calling of a tax ratification election.

MOTION THAT THE BOERNE ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES ADOPT AN ORDER CALLING A TAX
RATIFICATION ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 4, 2025.

THIS MOTION, MADE BY GARRETT WILSON AND SECONDED BY CARLIN FRIAR, PASSED.

COURTNEY DARTER-BRUCE: Yea
SARAH FAULKENBERRY: Yea
CARLIN FRIAR: Yea
DALLAS PIPES: Yea
KRISTI SCHMIDT: Yea
RICH SENA: Yea
GARRETT WILSON: Yea

5. Consider and Possibly Approve a Resolution Regarding the 2025-2026 Tax Rate Depending on the Results of the November 4, 2025 Voter-Approval Tax Rate Election

Wes Scott presented information regarding the resolution regarding the tax rate depending on the results of the November 4, 2025 Voter-Approval Tax Ratification Election.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE ADOPTED TAX RATE AND VOTER APPROVAL TAX RATIFICATION ELECTION AS PRESENTED.

THIS MOTION, MADE BY KRISTI SCHMIDT AND SECONDED BY RICH SENA, PASSED.

COURTNEY DARTER-BRUCE: Yea
SARAH FAULKENBERRY: Yea
CARLIN FRIAR: Yea
DALLAS PIPES: Yea
KRISTI SCHMIDT: Yea
RICH SENA: Yea
GARRETT WILSON: Yea

X. FUTURE BUSINESS ITEMS

September 15, 2025 Regular Meeting

EB/Bilingual Report
Annual Investment Policy Review
Resolution for Investment Officers
Investment Broker/Dealer Resolution

XI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT APPROXIMATELY 8:55 PM. THIS MOTION, MADE BY RICH SENA AND SECONDED BY GARRETT WILSON, PASSED.

COURTNEY DARTER-BRUCE: Yea SARAH FAULKENBERRY: Yea CARLIN FRIAR: Yea DALLAS PIPES: Yea

KRISTI SCHMIDT: RICH SENA: GARRETT WILSON:	Yea	
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Kristi Schmidt, President		
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Rich Sena, Secretary		
Date of Board Approval		
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