

**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**The Board of Trustees**  
**Brazosport Independent School District**



A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Brazosport Independent School District was held Monday, May 18, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Brazosport Independent School District Administration Building, 301 W. Brazoswood Drive, Clute, TX 77531.

Board Members Present: Mason Paul Howard, President  
Scott Schwertner, Vice-President  
Jerry Adkins, Secretary  
Joe Rinehart, Assistant Secretary  
Liz Cuellar, Member  
Chris Dunn, Member  
Ken Schulte, Member

Board Members Absent: None Absent

Superintendent: Danny Massey

1. Meeting was called to order by Mr. Mason Howard at 6:00 p.m.  
A. Declaration of a Quorum

2. INVOCATION led by Mr. Chris Dunn.

3. PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE led by Mrs. Liz Cuellar.

4. AWARDS/ACHIEVEMENTS/RECOGNITIONS

- **Brazosport ISD is very proud of the following recipients for their accomplishments and recognition.**

**Valedictorian and Salutatorians**

- **Brazoswood HS**
  - Valedictorian - Elizabeth Ahn
  - Salutatorian - Sara Athon
- **Brazosport HS**
  - Valedictorian - Sophie Michele Stowers
  - Salutatorian - Ashley Yutzely Blanco

**Athletic Recognitions**

**Brazosport High School Boys Basketball - State Semifinalist**

The Exporters made a historic run to the State Semifinals, showcasing exciting basketball, relentless grit, disciplined team play, and unwavering commitment throughout the season. Their success reflected not only athletic excellence, but also the character, resilience, and unity that define Brazosport athletics and our community.

### **Brazoswood High School Girls Soccer - Grant Teaff Beyond the Game Team Award**

The Lady Bucs were formally honored during the Texas Sports Hall of Fame Ceremony held on April 18, 2026, in Waco. This statewide recognition is a tremendous accomplishment for the student-athletes, coaches, campus, and community.

### **Brazoswood High School Powerlifting - State Qualifiers**

- Marissa Cruz (Sophomore)
- Savannah Trujillo (Junior)
- Brenna Ingram (Junior)
- Aedan Cisneros (Sophomore)
- Grayson Morris (Junior)
- Ethan Garza (Senior)
- Rylan Yonts (Senior)

### **Brazoswood High School Wrestling - State Qualifiers**

- Kynlee Scalf (Junior)
- Maria Gonzalez (Senior)
- Luis Garcia (Senior)

### **Brazoswood High School Track - State Qualifier**

- Rajeh Elyoussef (Junior)

### **Brazosport High School Track - State Qualifier**

- Naliyah White (Senior)

### **Academic Recognition**

**Emma Yeager** was a State Qualifier for the Texas History Day Competition. We are extremely proud of Emma and her **5th-grade sponsor, Mrs. Hawkins.**

### **CTE Recognition**

Brazosport FFA students recently participated in the Agricultural Technology and Mechanical Systems event, which recognizes students' competencies, emphasizing problem-solving, modern technology, and practical, hands-on teamwork skills. The event aims to prepare students for the workforce by developing effective communication, teamwork, and an understanding of complex systems, making them competitive in the job market.

Placing first at the Area III event:

- Jose Ledezma
- Travis Hodges
- Chris Alcaraz
- Noah Vallejo

These students also placed 30th at the state Texas FFA CDE Contest. Congratulations to these students and their wonderful sponsor, **Ms. Mulder.**

### **Mission First, Team Always Educators**

- Secondary-Brazos Success Academy- Holly Spear, English Teacher
- Elementary- Bess Brannen- Monica Jones, 3rd-grade Math Teacher

**Extra Mile Award**

- Melinda Gonzales - Communities in School
- Julia Jackson - Lanier Elementary

5. AUDIENCE WITH INDIVIDUALS is a time for general comments in regard to Agenda items. Individuals wishing to speak must sign up before the meeting begins. No public comments.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes

B. Monthly Financial Statement

C. Purchases Exceeding \$100,000

D. Public Comments Regarding the Consent Agenda

Mr. Chris Dunn made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mrs. Liz Cuellar. Motion carried 7/0. Items:

Board of Trustees Voted Yay	Board of Trustees Voted Nay	Board of Trustees Absent
Mason Howard		
Scott Schwertner		
Jerry Adkins		
Joe Rinehart		
Liz Cuellar		
Chris Dunn		
Ken Schulte		

7. ACTION

- Public comments will be allowed before a vote is taken on each Action Item.

A. Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee Related Action Items

Mr. Jerry Adkins made a motion that the Board of Trustees approve CBOC-related items as presented, and approved by the Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee, seconded by Mr. Ken Schulte. Motion carried 7/0.

Board of Trustees Voted Yay	Board of Trustees Voted Nay	Board of Trustees Absent
Mason Howard		
Scott Schwertner		
Jerry Adkins		
Joe Rinehart		
Liz Cuellar		
Chris Dunn		
Ken Schulte		

B. Schedule a Public Meeting to Discuss the 2026-27 Budget and the Proposed Tax Rate

Mr. Ken Schulte made a motion that the Board of Trustees vote to schedule and publish notice for a public hearing on June 18, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the 2026 Tax Rate and adopt the 2026-27 budget as presented, seconded by Mrs. Liz Cuellar. Motion carried 7/0.

Board of Trustees Voted Yay	Board of Trustees Voted Nay	Board of Trustees Absent
Mason Howard		
Scott Schwertner		
Jerry Adkins		
Joe Rinehart		
Liz Cuellar		
Chris Dunn		
Ken Schulte		

C. Items Pulled from Consent Agenda (if applicable) – No items pulled.

## 8. REPORTS

- Public comments will be allowed on each Report.

A. Compensation Planning Update – 2026-2027, presented by the Chief Human Resources Officer, Mrs. Jennifer Nabors.

B. 2027 Budget Planning Update presented by Chief Financial Officer, Ms. Ludy Cansino.

C. Bus Seat Belts – SB546 presented by Chief Operations and Technology Officer, Mr. Monty Burger, and Director of Transportation Services, Angel Kersten.

D. Board Committee Reports presented by Brazosport ISD Board President, Mason Howard.

The Board of Trustees commented on the district's end-of-year events they attended throughout May and how impressed and proud they are with each of the Kinder Graduations, Senior Awards Night, Dow Project Search event, FFA Awards Night, Athletic Signings, and the Teacher Signing Day, to name a few.

Mr. Jerry Adkins announced that he will attend the Legislative Advocacy Conference in San Antonio in June and will share a report at the July board meeting.

## 9. WORK SESSION DISCUSSION

A. Scheduling and Upcoming Events

I. Regular Board Meeting – June 15, 2026 - 6:00 p.m.

10. 7:54 p.m. EXECUTIVE SESSION may be called for the purposes permitted by the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 through 551.146

A. Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney

B. Section 551.72, For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of Real

Property

- C. Section 551.074, Personnel Matters (Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, Dismissal, Complaint)
- D. Section 551.076, Intruder Detection Audit Report Findings for Brazosport ISD
- E. Section 551.082 For the purpose of considering discipline of a public school child, or complaint or charge against personnel

11. RECONVENED INTO OPEN SESSION at 8:48 p.m.

Board amended the date for Action Item 7.B.  
Schedule a Public Meeting to Discuss the 2026-27 Budget and the Proposed Tax Rate

Mr. Scott Schwertner made a motion to **amend** the Board of Trustees vote to schedule and publish notice for a public hearing on *June 15, 2026*, at 6:00 p.m., not the previously voted date of June 18, to discuss the 2026 Tax Rate and adopt the 2026-27 budget as presented, seconded by Mr. Chris Dunn. Motion carried 7/0.

Board of Trustees Voted Yay	Board of Trustees Voted Nay	Board of Trustees Absent
Mason Howard		
Scott Schwertner		
Jerry Adkins		
Joe Rinehart		
Liz Cuellar		
Chris Dunn		
Ken Schulte		

12. ADJOURNMENT

After hearing no objections, Mr. Mason Howard adjourned the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Board of Trustees Voted Yay	Board of Trustees Voted Nay	Board of Trustees Absent
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Board President or Presiding Officer

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Board Secretary or Presiding Officer