

**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**Monday, December 15, 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 **December 15, 2025**, beginning at 6:00 PM 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 Vice President Caroline H. Bennett called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. She noted that Board President Shannon Mahan was not present at that time but would join shortly, and that a quorum of Board members was present.

Vice President Bennett 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 Jennifer Hyland**
2. **Opening Prayer: Secretary Walker Agnew Jr.**
3. **Opening Remarks by the Superintendent**  
Superintendent Dr. Jennifer Blaine welcomed everyone and noted that this was the last Board meeting prior to the holiday break. She reminded everyone of upcoming campus schedules. Dr. Blaine thanked Karen Heeth, Associate Superintendent for Administration and Talent, for her years of service and dedication to the district and welcomed Dr. Bryan Williams in his new role.
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 recent district activities, including the Terrace Elementary groundbreaking event, was presented.
  - B. Recognition of #IAMSBISD Award Recipients  
Members of the Transportation Department, the Spring Oaks Middle School staff, and SBISD Police Officers were recognized for providing critical support during a student medical emergency.

- C. Recognition of 2025 Lone Star Chapter Student Production Award Recipients  
Students were recognized for earning 2025 Lone Star Chapter Student Production Awards.
- D. Recognition of TMEA Distinguished Administrator Award Recipient  
Lisa Weir, Principal of Memorial High School, was recognized as a recipient of the TMEA Distinguished Administrator Award.
- E. Recognition of Brendan Thompson TAHPERD Award Recipient  
Brendan Thompson, Wilchester teacher, was recognized as the recipient of the TAHPERD Emerging Professional Award.

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

Amber Caldarera signed up to speak but did not attend.

The FFA student public relations team provided a presentation highlighting FFA and its activities.”

President Mahan joined the meeting at 6:25 PM.

**7. Reports and Discussions**

- A. Discussion of FY 2026 Budget and FY 2027 Board Priorities  
Presenter: Christine Porter, Associate Superintendent for Finance
- B. Discussion of Previously Recommended Boundary Adjustments for the 2026-2027 School Year  
Presenter: Kayla Vaughn, Director of Administration & Talent
- C. Discussion Regarding Expanded School Programming and Choice Opportunities for SBISD Families  
The Board engaged in extensive discussion regarding the item.

**8. Executive Session**

President Mahan recessed the Board into Executive Session at 7:40 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 9:18 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 Bennett and seconded by Trustee Agnew Jr. that the Board of Trustees approve routine personnel items as recommended.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

**10. Consent Agenda Action Items**

- A. Request for Approval of Budget Status Summary Report with Budget Amendments as of November 30, 2025
- B. Request for Approval of Contract Awards
1. Change Order #001 for the Sherwood ES Replacement Project
  2. Northbrook HS CTE Renovations- Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP)
  3. Buffalo Creek ES and Cedar Brook ES Emergency Use Generators
- C. Request for Consideration of Administrator Requests for Outside Employment in Accordance with House Bill 3372, 89th Legislative Session
- D. Request for Approval to Offer State Innovative Course: Barbering I
- E. Request for Approval of the 2026 Texas Association of School Boards Annual Membership Fee
- F. Request for Approval of the 2026 Texas Association of School Boards Legal Assistance Fund Participation Fee
- G. Request for Approval of Revised Minutes for the November 18, 2024, School Board Regular Meeting
- H. Request for Approval of Acceptance of Gifts
- I. Request for Approval of Grant Awards and Other Services
- J. Request for Approval of Payroll and Operating Expenses - November 2025
- K. Request for Approval of Minutes for School Board Meetings
1. November 03, 2025 - Workshop Meeting
  2. November 17, 2025 - Regular Meeting

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

Trustee Courtney Anderson requested that item 10E and Trustee Hyland requested that item 10H be removed from the consent agenda for separate discussion and a separate vote.

Motion was made by Vice President Bennett and seconded by Secretary Agnew Jr. the Board of Trustees approve the consent agenda action items with the exception of items 10E and 10H.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

10E - Trustee Anderson initiated a discussion regarding whether any other entities provide services similar to TASB and requested input from the Board. Motion was made by Trustee Anderson and seconded by Vice President Bennett that the Board of Trustees approve Item 10E.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

10 H - Trustee Hyland recognized and expressed appreciation for the generous gift from the Neuhaus Education Center. Motion was made by Trustee Hyland and seconded by Trustee Chris Earnest that the Board of Trustees approve Item 10H.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

**11. Information**

A. Facility Improvement Program Monthly Status Report as of November 30, 2025

The Board did not have any questions.

**12. Closing Remarks by the Superintendent**

Dr. Blaine had no remarks.

**13. Meeting Adjourned**

President Mahan adjourned the Regular Meeting at 9:28 p.m.

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Shannon Mahan  
President, Board of Trustees

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Walker Agnew Jr.  
Secretary, Board of Trustees

**Approved: January 27, 2026**