

Regular Meeting  
Monday, September 14, 2026 6:00 PM Central

FISD Administration Building - Board Room  
961 E. Commerce Street  
Fairfield, TX 75840

J. Kevin Benedict: Present  
Eric Chavers: Present  
Ashlee Daniel: Present  
John Fryer: Present  
Penny Meredith: Present  
Kim Whitaker: Present  
Jeff Wright: Present  
Present: 7.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Benedict called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

##### 1.a. Announce Quorum

A quorum was present. All members were present.

##### 1.b. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Fryer gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

#### 3. ACADEMIC UPDATE / CAMPUS PRINCIPAL REPORTS

The campus principals gave an update of academic-related things taking place on their campuses.

#### 4. BOND / CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Mr. Cline gave the board an update on the construction. The elementary project is substantially completed with only a few small items remaining. New flooring will be installed in the office area over the next several weeks. There will be contingency money coming back to the district, since not all of it was used. The high school project has begun with site work. The old administration building is scheduled to be razed next week. The groundbreaking ceremony will be on Friday, September 18th at 9:00 AM.

#### 5. CONSENT AGENDA

##### 5.a. Fairfield ISD Financial Report/ Investments/Expenditures/Payment of Bills

##### 5.b. Minutes of Previous Meeting

#### 6. ACTION & DISCUSSION ITEMS

##### 6.a. Information on District's 2025-26 Accountability Results

Mr. Hartley went through the official accountability ratings for the district and campuses for the 2025-26 school year. The district received a rating of C-79, High school had a rating of A-90, Junior High had a rating of B-80, and Intermediate and Elementary had a rating of D-68.

6.b. Information on Parchment Transcript System

High School principal, Sonya Gibson, gave the board information on our new electronic transcript option, Parchment, which allows students (current and former) to request transcripts electronically. There is a charge for this service, but we do offer free paper transcripts for current students. Almost all colleges and universities in the United States use Parchment, and it gives the student notification when the transcripts have arrived at the school.

6.c. Consideration & Possible Approval of Library Book Order for Intermediate Library

The board took no action on this agenda item. It will be brought back at the October meeting.

6.d. Consideration & Possible Approval of Annual MOU with TSTC for Dual Credit Classes.

This is our annual MOU with TSTC for our Dual Credit program.

6.e. Consideration & Possible Approval of Annual Legal Retainer for 2026-27

This is for our annual legal regainer with school attorneys Walsh Gallegos.

6.f. Consideration & Possible Approval of SB 12 Annual Certification of Compliance

Senate Bill 12 requires that school districts annually certify they are in compliance with the bill and they are not participating in any D.E.I activities.

6.g. Consideration & Possible Approval of the 2026-27 FISD Emergency Operations Plan

Mr. Hartley gave the board an update of the 2026-27 FISD Emergency Operations plan and the new reunification plan.

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

7.a. Enrollment & Attendance

The enrollment for the September board meeting was 1500, which is slightly up from the beginning of the school year, but down about 20 students from the end of last year. Our attendance rate for the district was 96.88%.

8. CLOSED SESSION - The board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E.

8.a. Personnel Matters (Appointments, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, Dismissal, Complaint) - 551.074

9. ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

10. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:38 PM

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J. Kevin Benedict, Board President

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Kim Whitaker, Board Secretary