

**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**Monday, March 23, 2026**  
**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 **March 23, 2026**, 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: Secretary Walker Agnew Jr.**
2. **Opening Prayer: Trustee Chris Earnest**
3. **Opening Remarks by the Superintendent**  
Superintendent Dr. Jennifer Blaine welcomed attendees to the meeting and recognized the large number of student and staff honors being celebrated. She congratulated students, families, campuses, and staff for their achievements, noting their hard work, dedication, and commitment to excellence.
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 programs and student experiences across SBISD, including a newly launched Pre-K program video, was presented.
  - B. Recognition of #IAMSIBISD Award Recipients  
SBISD Police Officer Luis Yurnet was recognized for his heroic actions in responding to a student choking incident at Landrum Middle School.
  - C. Recognition of All-State Choir, All-State Orchestra, and All-State Band Students  
Students selected for Texas All-State Choir, Orchestra, and Band were recognized for achieving the highest honor in high school music.

- D. Recognition of SBISD Texas Theatre Scholar Distinction Award Winner  
Amelia Endicott from Westchester Academy for International Studies was recognized for earning the Texas Theatre Scholar Distinction Award, honoring her academic achievement and excellence in theatre.
  - E. Recognition of Regeneron Science Talent Search Finalist  
Spring Branch Academic Institute senior Jaeho Lee was recognized for being named a 2026 Regeneron Science Talent Search finalist, placing him among the top student researchers in the nation.
  - F. Recognition of Inaugural SBISD Spanish Spelling Bee Winners  
Students were recognized for their achievements in the inaugural SBISD Spanish Spelling Bee and for advancing to the Region 4 competition, with one student advancing to the state level.
  - G. Recognition of Dr. Alana Morris, CREST Award Winner  
Dr. Alana Morris was recognized for receiving the 2026 Literacy Legacy Award from the Coalition of Reading and English Supervisors of Texas, honoring her contributions to literacy education.
  - H. Recognition of Memorial and Stratford High Schools for AP School Honor Roll Distinction  
Memorial High School and Stratford High School were recognized for earning Gold-level distinction on the College Board's AP School Honor Roll for student achievement in Advanced Placement courses.
  - I. Recognition of Memorial Drive Elementary and Spring Branch Academic Institute for Outstanding Ranking by Children at Risk  
Memorial Drive Elementary and Spring Branch Academic Institute were recognized for outstanding rankings by Children at Risk based on student performance and growth.
  - J. Recognition of SBISD as 2026 CTE District of Distinction  
SBISD was recognized as a 2026 Career and Technical Education District of Distinction for its leadership and commitment to workforce readiness.
  - K. Recognition of SBISD Procurement Services for TASBO Award  
SBISD Procurement Services was recognized for earning the TASBO Purchasing Award of Merit for the 14th consecutive year.
6. **Public Comment on Agenda Items or Non-Agenda Items**  
The following individuals addressed the Board regarding agenda item 7.A., and Bruce Nichols addressed the Board regarding a non-agenda item related to the proposed underground detention project at Memorial Middle School.

Kate Champion  
Charlotte Nall  
Megan Long  
Carley Sutter  
Rima Tumia  
Maryam Schellstede  
Hope Erwin  
Casey Kaf Alghazal  
Ruth Carruthers

**7. Reports and Discussions**

A. Discussion of Boundary Recommendations beginning with the 2026-2027 School Year

Presenters:

Dr. Bryan Williams, Associate Superintendent for Administration and Talent  
Kayla Vaughn, Director for Administration & Talent

B. Discussion of High School Schedule Alignment

Board discussion.

**8. Executive Session**

President Mahan recessed the Board into Executive Session at 7:57 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 8:19 p.m. and said that no action was taken while in the closed session.

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

A. Request for Approval of Routine Personnel Items

Motion 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 Teacher Incentive Allotment (TIA) Local Designation System for Spring Branch ISD

Motion made by Trustee Courtney Anderson and seconded by Trustee Earnest that the Board of Trustees approve Teacher Incentive Allotment (TIA) Local Designation System for Spring Branch ISD.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

B. Request for Approval of 2026-2027 Graduation Ceremony Dates

Motion made by Secretary Agnew Jr. and seconded by Trustee Jennifer Hyland that the Board of Trustees approve the 2026-2027 Graduation Ceremony Dates.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

C. Request for Approval of Board Meetings Schedule for 2026-2027

Motion made by Secretary Agnew Jr. and seconded by Trustee Slattery that the Board of Trustees approve the Board meeting schedule for 2026-2027.

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 February 27, 2026

B. Request for Approval of Contract Awards

1. Contract for Waste Removal, Disposal and Recycling Services

2. Contract for Purchase of District Vehicles

3. Increase Contract for Processing of U.S. Department of Agriculture Donated Commodities

4. Contract for Materials for Athletic Fields

5. Contract for Pest Control Chemicals and Supplies

6. Contract for Safety & Risk Management of First Aid/Health Supplies and AED Equipment/Components

C. Request for Consideration of Administrator Requests for Outside Employment in Accordance with House Bill 3372, 89th Legislative Session

D. Request for Approval of the Agreement Between the City of Houston, SPARK and Spring Branch ISD - SPARK Program for the Sherwood Elementary School SPARK Park

E. Request for Approval of Pregnancy-Related Services Waiver for 2026–2027, 2027–2028, 2028–2029

F. Request for Approval of Kindergarten - Algebra I Mathematics Materials

G. Request for Approval of Acceptance of Gifts

H. Request for Approval of Resolutions for the Office of the Governor Grants

- I. Request for Approval of Application for Expedited and General State Waiver for Teacher Data Portal for the Texas Assessment Management System
- J. Request for Approval of Payroll and Operating Expenses - February 2026
- K. Request for Approval of Minutes for School Board Meetings
  1. February 09, 2026 - Workshop Meeting
  2. February 23, 2026 - Regular Meeting

President Mahan read the rules for the adoption of the consent agenda action items.

Secretary Agnew Jr. requested that Item 11F be removed from the consent agenda for separate discussion and vote.

Vice President Bennett moved to approve the consent agenda action items, with the exception of Item 11F. Trustee Anderson seconded the motion.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

Item 11F – Secretary Agnew Jr. inquired about the process used to recommend the instructional materials. Associate Superintendent for Academics Dr. Annie Wolfe provided an explanation.

Secretary Agnew Jr. moved to approve Item 11F. Vice President Bennett seconded the motion.

Motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

**12. Information**

- A. Facility Improvement Program Monthly Status Report as of February 2026  
The Board did not have any questions.

**13. Closing Remarks by the Superintendent**

Dr. Blaine had no closing remarks.

**14. Meeting Adjourned**

President Mahan adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:26 p.m.

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Shannon Mahan  
President, Board of Trustees

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Walker Agnew Jr.  
Secretary, Board of Trustees

**Approved: April 27, 2026**