

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
7:00 PM TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2023
BOARD ROOM
GORDON M. ANDERSON LEADERSHIP CENTER
16717 ELLA BOULEVARD, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77090**

AGENDA

Special Notice

This meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Spring Independent School District will be held in person on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, beginning at 7:00 PM. Trustees attending the meeting will be present in person.

The meeting will also be streamed via Zoom. Links to access the meeting will be made available at least 30 minutes prior to the start time on the following webpage: <https://www.springisd.org/Page/7703>.

Vision Statement

Spring Independent School District will be a district of choice known for high quality academics with innovative and specialized programs that meet the needs of all students in a positive learning environment.

Mission Statement

Spring Independent School District prepares students to be lifelong learners, critical thinkers, and responsible citizens who display good character - ready to contribute, compete, and lead in today's global society.

1. Call to Order

The Board President will call the meeting to order.

2. Reading of the Spring Independent School District Equity Statement

The Spring ISD Equity Statement will be read.

3. Flag Pledges

The Presentation of the Colors will be led by the award-winning Spring Navy JROTC.

4. Moment of Silence

The Board President will call for a moment of silence.

5. Opening Remarks

- 5.1 Superintendent of Schools
The Superintendent will make remarks and announcements.
- 5.2 Board of Trustees
Any Board member may make a comment during this portion of the agenda, without prior posting being required.

6. Recognitions

- 6.1 Above and Beyond the Call of Duty (ABCD) Award – Harris County Precinct One Commissioner Rodney Ellis
The Board will recognize Harris County Precinct One Commissioner Rodney Ellis in gratitude for his support of the district and its students.
- 6.2 Presentation on Behalf of the Texas Police Chiefs Association
Chief Jeff Bert with the Tomball Police Department will present Chief Rodrigue and the Spring ISD Police Department with a certificate of re-accreditation on behalf of the Texas Police Chiefs Association.
- 6.3 Point of Pride – LaToya Patterson – Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association Board of Directors
The Board will recognize Hirsch Elementary School Principal LaToya Patterson, who was named to the Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association (TEPSA) Board of Directors for 2023-24, where she will serve as Standing Chair of TEPSA's Programs and Services Committee.
- 6.4 Point of Pride – Texas Art Education Association 2023 “District of Distinction” Award
The Board will recognize Spring ISD for being named a “District of Distinction” by the Texas Art Education Association for the fifth-consecutive year.

6.5 Point of Pride – Office of Communications – National School Public Relations Association (NSPRA) 2023 National School Communication Awards

The Board will recognize the Spring ISD Office of Communications, which received 34 awards from the National School Public Relations Association (NSPRA) in the organization’s 2023 National School Communication Awards program, including 15 top Awards of Excellence.

7. Agenda Participation

Patrons who have duly registered per policy BED(LOCAL) may address the Board regarding an item on the agenda. The Board will continue with the remaining agenda after the registered patrons have had an opportunity to speak.

8. Public Participation

Patrons who have duly registered per policy BED(LOCAL) may address the Board regarding matters of concern or interest to the district, other than the character of any student, staff or Board member. The Board may not act upon any matter that is not listed on this agenda. The Board will continue with the remaining agenda after the registered patrons have had an opportunity to speak.

9. Chief Operations Officer

9.1 Professional Services Agreements

The Board will consider authorizing the Superintendent of Schools or a designee to negotiate, execute, and amend contracts for Request for Proposals and Request for Qualifications that were approved at the August 8, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

10. Chief Financial Officer

10.1 2023 Tax Rate

The Board will consider approving a tax rate of \$1.1092 for the 2023 tax year.

11. Board of Trustees

- 11.1 Resolution to Join Lawsuit Regarding Accountability System
The Board will consider a resolution authorizing the district to join the lawsuit against TEA regarding the accountability system.
- 11.2 Board Audit Committee Update (Recurring Item)
The Board Audit Committee will provide an update of recent activities.
- 11.3 Board Governance Committee Update (Recurring Item)
The Board Governance Committee will provide an update of recent activities.
- 11.4 Board Equity Committee Update (Recurring Item)
The Board Equity Committee will provide an update of recent activities.
- 11.5 Board Community Engagement Committee Update (Recurring Item)
The Board Community Engagement Committee will provide an update of recent activities.

12. Consent Agenda

The Board will consider approving the Consent Agenda items that were discussed in detail at the September 7, 2023 Board Work Session.

- 12.1 Review and Approval of Minutes from the Following Meetings:
The Board will review the minutes from the prior month's meetings.
 - August 3, 2023 Work Session
 - August 5, 2023 Special Called Session (A.M. Meeting)
 - August 5, 2023 Special Called Session (P.M. Meeting)
 - August 8, 2023 Regular Meeting

- 12.2 Contract with Always Be Learning, Inc. (ABL) and Spring Independent School District
The Board will consider approving the contract with ABL to conduct a master schedule audit and develop local actionable analytics that identify opportunities to increase instructional time and reduce costs at all Middle and four High Schools: (Westfield, Spring, Dekaney and Wunsche).
- 12.3 Memorandum of Understanding with Junior Achievement of Southeast Texas for the JA Company Program
The Board will consider approving the MOU between Junior Achievement of Southeast Texas and Spring Independent School District.
- 12.4 Memorandum of Understanding Between the Honored Foundation and Spring Independent School District
The Board will consider approving the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the Honored Foundation and the Spring Independent School District.
- 12.5 Memorandum of Understanding Between OneGoal and Spring Independent School District (Recurring Item)
The Board will consider approving the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between OneGoal and Spring Independent School District.
- 12.6 Texas State University School of Social Work Affiliation Agreement
The Board will consider approving the affiliation agreement for Texas State University School of Social Work.
- 12.7 Affiliation Agreement with Texas Southern University
The Board will consider approving the Affiliation Agreement with Texas Southern University.
- 12.8 Residency Partnership Agreement with Prairie View A&M University

The Board will consider approving the Residency Partnership Agreement between Prairie View A&M University and Spring Independent School District.

12.9 Resolution to Designate Nonbusiness Days Relating to the Texas Public Information Act

The Board will consider adopting a resolution designating Nonbusiness Days.

12.10 Taxpayer Refunds (Recurring Item)

The Board will ratify refunds exceeding \$500.

12.11 Notice of Grant Award – 2023-2025 School Safety Standards Grant (Fencing Project)

The Board will consider approving the Notice of Grant Award for the 2023-2025 School Safety Standards Grant in the amount of \$1,428,233.

12.12 Certification of Anticipated Collection Rate for Spring Independent School District (Recurring Item)

The Board will consider approving the Certification of Anticipated Collection Rate.

12.13 2023 Appraisal Roll Certification (Recurring Item)

The Board will ratify the 2023 Appraisal Roll Certification.

12.14 Interlocal Contract Between Texas Department of Information Resources (Texas DIR) and Spring ISD for Future Cybersecurity Products and Services

The Board will consider approving the interlocal contract between Texas DIR and Spring ISD for future cybersecurity products and services.

13. Closed Session

There will be a closed session in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et. seq.

- 13.1 Under Section 551.071 - For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized, including any item posted on this agenda.
- 13.2 Under Section 551.072 - For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real. property
- 13.3 Under Section 551.074 - For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee.
- The Board will deliberate regarding the Superintendent's evaluation and goals.
- The Board will deliberate on employees nominated for special recognition.
- The Board will deliberate on a recommendation for the termination and finding of no good cause for an employee's abandonment of contract.
- The Board will deliberate on the issuance of school district teaching permits for noncore career and technology courses.
- The Board will deliberate on employee resignations, recommendations to withdraw prior actions taken, recommendations to void employee contracts, recommendations for the proposed termination of employees on probationary and/or term contracts, recommendations for the nonrenewal of term contracts, and final orders for employees on term and probationary contracts previously proposed for termination and/or nonrenewal.
- The Board will deliberate regarding internal audits involving employee complaints or misconduct.
- The Board will deliberate on candidates recommended for hire in accordance with Board Policy DC(LOCAL).
- The Board will deliberate on Resolution Agreements related to employee, student, and/or public grievances.

13.4 Under Section 551.076 - To consider the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices.

Discussion of districtwide Intruder Detection Audit Report findings.

13.5 Under Section 551.0821 - For the purpose of deliberating a matter regarding a public school student if personally identifiable information about the student will necessarily be revealed by the deliberation.

The Board will deliberate regarding internal audits involving confidential student information.

14. Actions on Closed Session Items

The Board may take action on items discussed in closed session.

15. Adjournment

The Board President will adjourn the meeting.

Closed Session Authorization

If during the course of the meeting covered by this notice the board should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the board should be held or is required regarding an item posted on the Agenda, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code (the Open Meetings Act) will be held by the board at the date, hour, and place given in this notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this notice as the board may conveniently meet in such closed or executive session concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Section 551.071 through Section 551.084 inclusive of said Open Meetings Act including, but not limited to:

Section 551.071 For the purpose of a private consultation with the board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized;

Section 551.072 For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property;

Section 551.073 For the purpose of discussing negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations to the District;

Section 551.074 For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties,

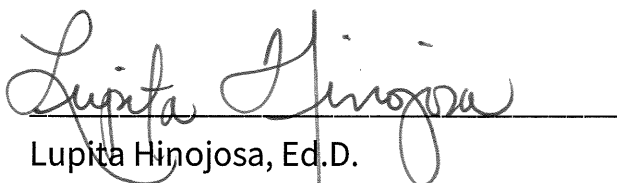
discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee;

- Section 551.076** To consider the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices;
- Section 551.082** For the purpose of considering discipline of a public school child or children, or to hear a complaint or charge brought against a school district employee by another school district employee;
- Section 551.0821** For the purpose of deliberating a matter regarding a public school student if personally identifiable information about the student will necessarily be revealed by the deliberation;
- Section 551.083** For the purpose of considering the standards, guidelines, terms, or conditions the board will follow, or instruct its representatives to follow, in consultation with representatives of employee groups in connection with consultation agreements provided for by Section 13.901 and/or Section 11.151(b) of the Texas Education Code; and
- Section 551.084** For the purpose of excluding any witness or witnesses from a hearing during the examination of another witness.

Should any final action, final decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the board with regard to any matter considered in such closed or executive session, then such final action, final decision, or final votes shall be at either:

- the open meeting covered by this notice upon the reconvening of this public meeting; or
- a subsequent public meeting of the board upon notice thereof, as the board shall determine.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act on or before September 9, 2023.



Lupita Hinojosa, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools