

# Spring Independent School District

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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
7:00 PM, MAY 9, 2017  
CAFETERIA  
BAMMEL MIDDLE SCHOOL  
16711 ELLA BOULEVARD, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77090**

## **MINUTES**

### **I. Call to Order**

President Deborah Jensen called the Regular Board Meeting of the Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees to order at 7:05 p.m. on May 9, 2017, in the Cafeteria of Bammel Middle School, 16711 Ella Boulevard, Houston, Texas, in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

#### **Members Present:**

Dr. Deborah Jensen, President  
Chris Bell, Vice President  
Rhonda Newhouse, Secretary  
Justine Durant, Assistant Secretary  
Rhonda Faust  
Donald Davis  
Jana Gonzales

#### **Members Absent:**

#### **Others Present:**

Rodney Watson, Superintendent of Schools  
Victor Mitchell, Chief of Police  
Julie Hill, Chief of Staff  
Lupita Hinojosa, Chief of School Leadership and Student Support Services  
Lauren Topek, Chief of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment  
Mark Miranda, Chief Operations Officer  
Deeone McKeithan, Chief Human Resources Officer  
Ann Westbrooks, Chief Chief Financial Officer  
Tiffany Dunne-Oldfield, Chief Communications Officer  
Jeremy Binkley, Legal Officer  
Jason Sheffer, Director of Board and Legal Services

### **II. Flag Pledges**

The Spring Lions NJROTC Color Guard presented the colors and led the U.S and Texas pledges of allegiance.

### **III. Moment of Silence**

President Jensen asked the audience to join in a moment of silence.

#### **IV. Recognitions**

The Board of Trustees recognized 204 students for various achievements at the state or national level.

#### **V. Break**

President Jensen called for short break at 7:40 p.m.

President Jensen resumed the open meeting at 7:59 p.m.

#### **VI. Opening Remarks**

##### **A. Superintendent of Schools**

An audio recording of the Superintendent's remarks is available in the office of the Chief of Staff. A video recording is available on the Spring ISD website at [www.springisd.org](http://www.springisd.org).

##### **B. Board of Trustees**

An audio recording of the Trustees' remarks is available in the office of the Chief of Staff. A video recording is available on the Spring ISD website at [www.springisd.org](http://www.springisd.org).

#### **VII. Chief Human Resources Officer**

##### **A. Approval of the 2017-2018 Work Calendar**

Chief McKeithan presented information regarding the 2017-2018 Work Calendar.

Trustee Durant moved that the Board approve the 2017-2018 Work Calendar as presented by the administration. Trustee Newhouse seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **VIII. Chief of School Leadership and Student Support Services**

##### **A. Student Affiliation Agreement with the University of Houston**

Chief Hinojosa presented information regarding the Student Affiliation Agreement with the University of Houston.

Trustee Newhouse moved that the Board approve the Student Affiliation Agreement with the University of Houston as presented by the administration. Trustee Davis seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **IX. Consent Agenda**

Trustee Davis moved that the Board approve and adopt all of the items on the Consent Agenda. Trustee Gonzales seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

##### **A. Review and Approval of Minutes from the Following Meetings:**

1. April 6, 2017 Board Work Session
2. April 11, 2017 Regular Board Meeting

##### **B. First Reading of TASB Local Update 107 - Proposed Revisions Affecting the Following Board Policies:**

1. CDC(LOCAL)
2. CJ(LOCAL)
3. DC(LOCAL)
4. DEE(LOCAL)
5. DFAA(LOCAL)
6. DFBA(LOCAL)
7. FEA(LOCAL)

- 8. FJ(LOCAL)
- C. First Reading of Proposed Policy Revisions to DMD(LOCAL)
- D. Second Reading of Proposed Revisions to Board Policy DCB(LOCAL)
- E. Second Reading of Proposed Revisions to Board Policy FFA(LOCAL)
- F. 2017-2018 Community and Student Engagement (CaSE) Ratings as Part of the 2018 State Accountability System
- G. Harris County Department of Education Academic and Behavior School (HCDE-ABS) Contract
- H. Harris County Department of Education Occupational Therapy Services Contract
- I. Harris County Department of Education Physical Therapy Services Contract
- J. Revisions and Additions to the 2017-2018 Compensation Manual
- K. Taxpayer Refunds
- L. Request for Proposals (RFP) #17-015 – Enterprise Edge Switch Network System (E-Rate)

**X. Public Participation**

Christian Brooks spoke to the Board regarding a homecoming parade.

**XI. Closed Session**

President Jensen recessed the open session at 8:16 p.m. for the purpose of entering into closed session pursuant to the following provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act:

- A. 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
- B. Under Section 551.072 - For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property
- C. 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
  - 1. The Board will deliberate on employee resignations, recommendations to withdraw prior actions taken, recommendations for the proposed termination and/or nonrenewal of employees on probationary and term contracts, and final orders for employees on term contracts previously proposed for nonrenewal
  - 2. The Board will deliberate on recommendations for the proposed issuance and/or renewal of term contracts to employees
  - 3. The Board will deliberate on recommendations for the proposed issuance and/or renewal of probationary contracts to employees
  - 4. The Board will deliberate on recommendations to take no action to renew or nonrenew dual assignment term contracts for employees in accordance with Board Policy DCB(LOCAL) as revised under this agenda
- D. Under Section 551.076 - For the purpose of considering the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices, or a security audit

President Jensen reconvened the open session at 8:52 p.m.

**XII. Action on Closed Session Items**

- A. Trustee Gonzales moved that the Board approve the Superintendent's recommendation

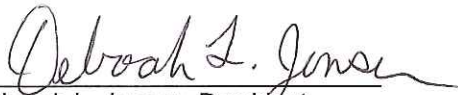



to terminate at the end of their terms the probationary contracts of Livinia Johnson and Ashley Curry as presented in closed session and to authorize the Superintendent to provide notice of the Board's action to the impacted employees pursuant to Chapter 21 of the Texas Education Code. Trustee Durant seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

- B. Trustee Newhouse moved that the Board approve the Resignation and Release Agreement for the matter involving Thien Tran's employment with Spring ISD as discussed in closed session. Trustee Bell seconded the motion and the motion carried 6-1 with Trustee Durant opposing.
- C. Trustee Davis moved that the Board approve the Superintendent's recommendation to renew for a one-year period the probationary contracts of the employees identified in the Superintendent's recommendation as presented in closed session. Trustee Durant seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
- D. Trustee Durant moved that the Board approve the Superintendent's recommendation to renew for a one-year period the term contracts of the employees identified in the Superintendent's recommendation as presented in closed session. Trustee Gonzales seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
- E. Trustee Bell moved that the Board issue, for a one-year period, Single-Assignment Term Contracts to those employees who voluntarily agreed to relinquish their Dual-Assignment Term Contracts, as recommended by the Superintendent in closed session. Trustee Davis seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
- F. Trustee Durant moved that the Board take no action regarding the Dual-Assignment Term employment contracts of employees who did not agree to relinquish their Dual-Assignment Term Contracts, the effect of which being that these employees will remain under contract by operation of law. Trustee Newhouse seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

### XIII. Adjournment

On a motion by Trustee Gonzales, seconded by Trustee Durant, the Board unanimously adjourned the meeting at 8:59 p.m.

  
Deborah L. Jensen, President

  
Rhonda R. Newhouse, Secretary