



**Fort Worth**  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

FORT WORTH ISD  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Special Meeting**

**September 19, 2023**

Igniting in Every Child a Passion for Learning  
Preparing **ALL** students for success in college, career and community leadership.

# Special Meeting

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Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, the Board of Education of the Fort Worth Independent School District will hold a Special Meeting beginning at 5:00 PM at the Fort Worth Independent School District [Teaching and Learning Center, 1050 Bridgewood, Drive, Fort Worth, Texas](#). This meeting will be streamed on Fort Worth ISD's Live YouTube channel, and broadcast on Spectrum Channel 192 and AT&T U-Verse 99. To access closed-captioning during YouTube's live stream of the meeting, touch the screen or move the mouse over the video while it is playing. Click the "CC" button. Live captioning is presently only available in English. An archive of the meeting will be available the following day on the District Website's Video on Demand. Multiple-language captioning is available on the Fort Worth ISD LIVE YouTube archive. An electronic copy of the agenda is attached to this online notice. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed on the agenda which is made a part of this notice. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice. Members of the public may make a public comment in-person or by written statement.

The Guidelines for Public Comment were revised on the [Board of Education Webpage](#) and now include information regarding meeting decorum. Those individuals desiring to make a public comment may sign-up by calling 817-814-1956 by 3:30 PM the day of the special meeting and may sign-up at the special meeting until 4:50 PM. Individuals desiring to make a public comment by written statement may email [amanda.coleman@fwisd.org](mailto:amanda.coleman@fwisd.org) by 12:00 PM the day of the special meeting. Written statements will be shared with the Board of Trustees prior to the meeting and will not be read aloud during the Board meeting. Per policy [BED\(LOCAL\)](#) at all Special Board meetings, public comment shall be limited to items on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting.

Those who need a sign language interpreter, email [amanda.coleman@fwisd.org](mailto:amanda.coleman@fwisd.org) by 12 PM Monday, September 18, 2023.

## FORT WORTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

### SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

1. **5:00 P.M - CALL SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER - BOARD ROOM (*OTHER*)**
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT (*S and T*)**
3. **EXECUTIVE SESSION (*S and T*)**

The Board will convene in closed session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter §551.

  - A. Seek the Advice of Attorneys (Texas Government Code §551.071)

1. Consultation with Legal Counsel concerning Kingsville Independent School District, Canutillo Independent School District, Crowley Independent School District, Del Valle Independent School District, Edinburg Consolidated Independent School District, Fort Stockton Independent School District, Pecos Barstow-Tovah Independent School District. Plaintiffs, v. Mike Morath, in his Official Capacity as Commissioner of Education. Defendant. Cause No. D-1-GN-23-004675. in the 419th District Court Travis County, Texas

4. **ACTION AGENDA ITEM (*S and P*)**

- A. Consider and Potentially Take Action regarding Kingsville Independent School District, Canutillo Independent School District, Crowley Independent School District, Del Valle Independent School District, Edinburg Consolidated Independent School District, Fort Stockton Independent School District, Pecos-Barstow-Tovah Independent School District Plaintiffs, v. Mike Morath. in his Official Capacity as Commissioner of Education, Defendant, Cause No. D-1-GN-23-004675, in the 419th District Court, Travis County, Texas

5. **ADJOURN (*OTHER*)**

**(*V and G*)** – Vision and Goals  
**(*P and A*)** – Progress and Accountability  
**(*S and P*)** – Systems and Processes  
**(*A and E*)** – Advocacy and Engagement  
**(*S and T*)** – Synergy and Teamwork  
**(*OTHER*)** – Other

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## Statutory Requirements

**“Under the authority of Texas Government Code, Section 551.001, et seq., the Board, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, may enter into closed or executive session for any of the following reasons:**

- 1. To consult with the Board’s attorney with respect to pending or contemplated litigation, or settlement offers, or on matters where the attorney’s duty to the Board, pursuant to the Code of Professional Responsibility of the State Bar of Texas, clearly conflicts with the provisions of the Open Meetings Law. Sec. 551.071**
- 2. To discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property. Sec. 551.072**
- 3. To discuss negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations. Sec. 551.073**
- 4. To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against a public officer or employee, unless such officer or employee requests a public hearing. Sec. 551.074**
- 5. To consider the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices. Sec. 551.076**
- 6. To deliberate a case involving discipline of a public school child or children, unless an open hearing is requested in writing by a parent or guardian of the child; or to deliberate a case in which a complaint or charge is brought against an employee of the District by another employee and the complaint or charge directly results in a need for a hearing, unless the employee complained of or charged requests an open hearing. Sec. 551.082**
- 7. To exclude a witness from a hearing during the examination of another witness in an investigation when the Board is investigating a matter. Sec. 551.084**

**“All final votes, actions, or decisions on any matter discussed in closed or executive session shall be taken or made in open session.”**

**“This notice is posted and filed in compliance with the Open Meetings Law on September 15, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.”**

*Christian Alvarado*

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