

BOARD BULLETIN

MONDAY – SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

Date: September 8, 2025

The Board of Trustees of the Sabine Independent School District met in regular session in the board room in the district's administration building located at 5424 FM 1252 West, Gladewater, Gregg County, Texas. SISD Board President Tony Raymond declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Present: Andrea Bates, Eric Collins, Danny R. King, Dr. Art Morchat, Tony Raymond, Eddie Shawn and Leslie Thurston

Absent: Dr. Art Morchat

Administrative Personnel: Monty Pepper – Superintendent and Glenda Hickey - Director of Business Operations

Absent: Shelley Yates - Director of Curriculum

School Personnel: Stanton Reaves (HS Principal), Sara Cantrell (MS Principal), Megan Burns (Elementary Principal), April Washburn (Intermediate Principal), Cody Gilbert (Athletic Director), and Cori Pyle (Café)

Students: CJ Porter and Luna Hardin - FFA Program

Public Guests: Lance Kitchen and Cynthia Welch

Invocation/Pledge: Monty Pepper

Public Meeting - 6:30 pm: Glenda Hickey held the public meeting to discuss the proposed tax rate. What we proposed in May holds still. Proposed is \$0.92833.

Open Session - 6:42 pm

- CJ Porter and Luna Hardin gave the FFA Report

Information Items:

- Cody Gilbert presented the Athletic News
- STUCO dismissed for Student Memorial Event
- Mr. Reaves presented the HS News
- Mrs. Cantrell presented the MS News
- Mrs. Washburn presented the Intermediate News
- Mrs. Burns presented the EL News
- Accounts Payable August 2025
- Upcoming Events

Consent Items:

- Minutes from meeting held on August 11, 2025
- Tax Collections - August 2025
- Investment Portfolio - August 2025

Mr. Pepper recommended that the Consent Items be approved as presented. Motion was made by Danny R. King and seconded by Leslie Thurston to accept the Mr. Pepper's recommendation.

MOTION CARRIES: 6-0

All those in favor: Bates, Collins, King, Raymond, Shawn and Thurston

All those opposed: 0

Discussion Items:

- TASB/TASA Convention (Sept. 11-14, 2025)
- State Accountability
- Accountability Appeal
- Team Building
- Gregg Appraisal District Board of Directors / Acknowledgement Form
- Enrollment
- FNF Regulation – Student Rights & Responsibilities – Drug Testing Regulation

Action Item:

Mr. Pepper recommended that the Board accept the proposal from Budget Business Systems to enter into a contract for 5 years, not to exceed \$45,500, annually. Motion was made by Leslie Thurston and seconded by Danny R. King to accept Mr. Pepper's recommendation.

MOTION CARRIES: 5-0 (Tony Raymond abstained voting due to his business relationship with a competing company).

All those in favor: Bates, Collins, King, Shawn and Thurston

All those opposed: 0

Mr. Pepper recommended that the Board approve FM(Local), which is a companion Policy to FD(Local) related to UIL/Student Absences. Motion was made by Eddie Shawn and seconded by Eric Collins to accept Mr. Pepper's recommendation.

MOTION CARRIES: 6-0

All those in favor: Bates, Collins, King, Raymond, Shawn and Thurston

All those opposed: 0

Mr. Pepper recommended that the Board approve the Administration's request to apply for Staff Development Waivers (minutes/3 days) for the 2025/2026 school year. Motion was made by Eric Collins and seconded by Danny R. King to accept Mr. Pepper's recommendation.)

MOTION CARRIES: 6-0

All those in favor: Bates, Collins, King, Raymond, Shawn and Thurston

All those opposed: 0

Mr. Pepper recommended that the Board approve entering the Region 7 Purchasing Cooperative Interlocal Agreement by Resolution, as presented. Motion was made by Eric Collins and seconded by Danny R. King to accept Mr. Pepper's recommendation.

MOTION CARRIES: 6-0

All those in favor: Bates, Collins, King, Raymond, Shawn and Thurston

All those opposed: 0

Mr. Pepper recommended that the Board approve the Resolution from Texas A&M AgriLife Extension 4-H adjunct agreement, as presented. Motion was made by Leslie Thurston and seconded by Danny R. King to accept Mr. Pepper's recommendation.

MOTION CARRIES: 6-0

All those in favor: Bates, Collins, King, Raymond, Shawn and Thurston

All those opposed: 0

Mr. Pepper recommended that the Board approve the Resolution to set the tax rate, as presented. Motion was made by Tony Raymond and seconded by Eddie Shawn to accept Mr. Pepper's recommendation.

MOTION CARRIES: 6-0

All those in favor: Bates, Collins, King, Raymond, Shawn and Thurston

All those opposed: 0

No closed session.

A motion was made by Danny R. King to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Eddie Shawn.

MOTION CARRIES: 6-0

All those in favor: Bates, Collins, King, Raymond, Shawn and Thurston

All those opposed: 0

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Resolution included on next page.

Resolution

TO THE REGIONAL PURCHASING COOPERATIVE:

WHEREAS, SABINE ISD, pursuant to the authority granted by Article 791.011 Interlocal Cooperation Act as amended desires to participate in described purchasing programs of the Regional Purchasing Cooperative.

WHEREAS, SABINE ISD is of the opinion that participation in these programs will be highly beneficial to the taxpayers of this district through the anticipated savings to be realized;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the SABINE ISD does request that the Regional Purchasing Cooperative purchasing program include its stated need for all categories on the Regional Purchasing Cooperative Program annual contracts; and that Monty Pepper is authorized and directed to sign and deliver all necessary requests and other documents in connection therewith for and on behalf of SABINE ISD.

I certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the resolution duly adopted by SABINE ISD on 4/30/2025, and that the same now appears of record in my office.




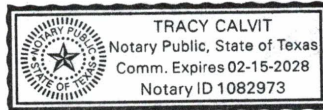
President, Board of Trustees



Superintendent

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 8th day of September year of 2025.

BY:  Notary Public for the State of Texas



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Region 7 Education Service Center
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4/30/2025