

# Agenda of Special Meeting

## The Board of Trustees Seguin ISD

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A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Seguin ISD will be held August 4, 2022, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Board Room, 1221 E Kingsbury, Seguin, TX 78155.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice.

1. **Call to Order**

- A. Establish Quorum
- B. Announcement that this meeting of the Seguin Independent School District has been duly called and that notice of this meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.043 of the Texas Government Code.
- C. Pledges to the United States Flag and Texas Flag. Moment of silence.

2. **Audience with the Board**

The Seguin ISD Board of Trustees designates a time for audience participation at the beginning of each meeting to hear persons who desire to make comments. In accordance with Board Policy BED(Local):

- A. those wishing to speak shall sign up before the meeting begins stating the concern or noting the agenda item they wish to address; audience participation is limited to five minutes; the Board shall not deliberate any subject that is not on the posted agenda.

3. **Action Items:**

- A. Consideration and Approval of An Order Calling a Bond Election to be Held by the Seguin Independent School District, Making Provision for the Conduct of the Election, and Resolving Other Matters Incident and Related to Such Election 2

4. **Reports/Information Items:**

- A. Review and Discuss 2021 - 2022 STAAR Accountability Standards, Data, and Ratings

5. **Adjourn**

**ACTION ITEM:** **Consideration and Approval of An Order Calling a Bond Election to be Held by the Seguin Independent School District, Making Provision for the Conduct of the Election, and Resolving Other Matters Incident and Related to Such Election**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board of Trustees approve an Order calling a bond election for November 8, 2022 with the propositions as included in the Order, making provision for the conduct of the election, and resolving other matters incident and related to such election.

**RATIONALE:** The Order calling the election for November 8, 2022, a uniform election date under the Texas Election Code, as amended, must be passed and approved seventy-eight (78) or more days prior to the election date.

**REFERENCE and COMPLIANCE:** BBBA(LEGAL) Elections-Conducting Elections  
CCA(LEGAL) Local Revenue Sources-Bond Issues

**PAPERWORK IMPACT:** None

**BUDGET IMPACT / INFORMATION:** Funding provided by the General Operating Fund.

**EXHIBITS:** Order Calling a Bond Election  
Certificate of Board Secretary  
Waiver of Notice and Consent to Special Meeting

**RESOURCE PERSONNEL:** Nikki Elaine Bittings, Chief Student Services Officer  
Mark Cantu, Chief Innovation Officer  
Steve Gonzalez, Chief Technology Officer  
Sean Hoffmann, Chief Communications Officer  
Andrea Jaramillo, Deputy Chief of Innovation and Learning  
Cindy Moreno, Chief Human Resources Officer  
Anthony Hillberg, Chief Financial Officer

Submitted by:  
(Signature)  
(Name)  
(Address)  
(Telephone)



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Date Submitted: 08/04/22

**AN ORDER CALLING A BOND ELECTION TO BE HELD BY THE SEGUIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, MAKING PROVISION FOR THE CONDUCT OF A JOINT ELECTION, AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO SUCH ELECTION**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the *Board*) of the SEGUIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (the *District*), located in Guadalupe County, Texas (the *County*), hereby finds and determines that an election should be held to determine whether the District shall be authorized to issue bonds of the District in the amount and for the purposes hereinafter identified (the *Election*); and

WHEREAS, the District will contract with the elections administrator (the *Administrator*) of the County to conduct all aspects of the Election; and

WHEREAS, the Election will be held jointly with other political subdivisions (collectively, the *Participants*) as provided pursuant to an election services agreement and/or a joint election or similar agreement between or among (as applicable) the District and any Participants, entered into according to the Texas Election Code, as amended (the *Code*); and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the necessity to construct various capital improvements within the District dictates that it is in the public interest to call and hold the Election at the earliest possible date to authorize the issuance of bonds for the purposes hereinafter identified; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the anticipated capital improvements identified in Measure A and corresponding Proposition A may be submitted to the qualified voters of the District as a single measure and corresponding proposition pursuant to Section 45.003(g) of the Texas Education Code because these capital improvements will be predominantly used for educational and administrative purposes, none of which are the type of facilities described in Section 45.003(g)(1-6); and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the anticipated capital improvements identified in Measure B and corresponding Proposition B must be submitted to the qualified voters of the District as an additional measure and corresponding proposition because these facilities are the type of facilities described in Section 45.003(g)(3) of the Texas Education Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the actions hereinbefore described are in the best interests of the residents of the District; now, therefore,

**BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SEGUIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT:**

SECTION 1. The Election shall be held in the SEGUIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT on November 8, 2022 (*Election Day*), which is a uniform election date under the Code and is 78 or more days from the date of the adoption of this order (the *Order*), for the purpose of submitting the following measures to the qualified voters of the District:

## SEGUIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT MEASURE A

Shall the Board of Trustees of the Seguin Independent School District be authorized to issue and sell bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount of not more than \$131,000,000 for the purposes of designing, constructing, renovating, improving, upgrading, updating, acquiring, and equipping school facilities (and any necessary or related removal of existing facilities), the purchase of the necessary sites for school facilities, and the purchase of new school buses, such bonds to mature serially or otherwise (not more than 40 years from their date) in accordance with law; any issue or series of such bonds to bear interest per annum at such rate or rates (fixed, floating, variable, or otherwise) as may be determined within the discretion of the Board of Trustees, provided that such rate or rates of interest shall not exceed the maximum rate per annum authorized by law at the time of the issuance of any issue or series of such bonds; and shall the Board of Trustees of the District be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the District sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds?

## SEGUIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT MEASURE B

Shall the Board of Trustees of the Seguin Independent School District be authorized to issue and sell bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$7,500,000 for the purposes of designing, constructing, renovating, improving, upgrading, updating, acquiring, and equipping a baseball and softball complex at Seguin High School, such bonds to mature serially or otherwise (not more than 40 years from their date) in accordance with law; any issue or series of such bonds to bear interest per annum at such rate or rates (fixed, floating, variable, or otherwise) as may be determined within the discretion of the Board of Trustees, provided that such rate or rates of interest shall not exceed the maximum rate per annum authorized by law at the time of the issuance of any issue or series of such bonds; and shall the Board of Trustees of the District be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the District sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds?

SECTION 2. One or more District election precincts are hereby established for the purpose of holding the Election, and one or more polling places are hereby designated for holding the Election in the District election precincts as identified in Exhibit A to this Order (which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes). In compliance with the Code, the Administrator will appoint Presiding Judges, Alternate Presiding Judges, Election Clerks, and all other election officials for the Election. The District's Superintendent of Schools, the President of the Board of Trustees, or their designees can correct, modify, or change the Exhibits to this Order based upon the final locations and times agreed upon by the District, the Administrator, and the Participants, if any and as applicable, to the extent permitted by applicable law.

A. To the extent required by the Code or other applicable law, the appointment of election officials at polling locations must include a person fluent in the Spanish language.

B. On Election Day, the polls shall be open as designated on Exhibit A.

The County participates in the Countywide Polling Place Program under Section 43.007 of the Code, meaning that any District voter registered in the County can vote in the Election at any polling place identified in Exhibit A.

C. The main early voting location is designated in Exhibit B to this Order (which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes). The individual named as the Early Voting Clerk as designated in Exhibit B is hereby appointed as the Early Voting Clerk to conduct such early voting in the Election. The Early Voting Clerk shall appoint the Deputy Early Voting Clerks. The main early voting location shall remain open to permit early voting on the days and at the times as stated in Exhibit B. Early voting shall commence as provided on Exhibit B and continue through the date set forth on Exhibit B, all as provided by the Code.

Additionally, permanent and/or temporary branch offices for early voting by personal appearance may be established and maintained according to the Code. In the event such permanent and/or temporary branch locations are established, information regarding the locations, dates, and hours of operation for early voting at these offices will be identified in Exhibit B hereto.

The Administrator is authorized to establish an Early Voting Ballot Board and to designate the Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board. The Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall appoint two or more additional members to constitute the Early Voting Ballot Board members and, if needed, the Signature Verification Committee members required to efficiently process the early voting ballots.

SECTION 3. Any legally permissible voting method may be used for early voting and Election Day voting by personal appearance, and when required by the Code, at least one accessible voting system per polling place will be provided. Certain early voting may be conducted by mail according to the Code.

SECTION 4. The District is authorized to utilize a Central Counting Station (the *Station*) as provided by the Code. The Administrator, or the designee thereof, is hereby appointed as the Manager of the Station, who will establish a written plan for the orderly operation of the Station according to the Code. The Board hereby authorizes the Administrator, or the designee thereof, to appoint the Presiding Judge of the Station, the Tabulation Supervisor, and the Programmer for the Station and may appoint Station clerks as needed or desirable. The Administrator will publish (or cause to be published) notice and conduct testing on the automatic tabulation equipment relating to the Station and conduct instruction for the officials and clerks for the Station according to the Code.

SECTION 5. The official ballot shall be prepared according to the Code so as to permit voters to vote “FOR” or “AGAINST” the aforesaid measures that shall appear on the ballot substantially as follows:

SEGUIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSITION A

THE ISSUANCE OF \$131,000,000 OF BONDS BY THE SEGUIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES, THE PURCHASE OF THE NECESSARY SITES FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES, AND THE PURCHASE OF NEW SCHOOL BUSES, AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF. THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.

SEGUIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSITION B

THE ISSUANCE OF \$7,500,000 OF BONDS BY THE SEGUIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR A BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL COMPLEX AT SEGUIN HIGH SCHOOL AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF. THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.

SECTION 6. All resident, qualified voters of the District shall be permitted to vote at the Election, and on Election Day, such voters shall vote at the designated polling places. The Election shall be held and conducted according to the Code and other applicable law. To the extent required by law, materials and proceedings relating to the Election shall be printed in both English and Spanish.

SECTION 7. Notice of election, including a Spanish translation thereof, shall be published at least one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the District, with such publication occurring not more than 30 days and not less than 10 days before Election Day. Moreover, a substantial copy of this Order and the voter information attached to and incorporated herein for all purposes, including a Spanish translation thereof, shall be posted (a) not less than 21 days prior to Election Day (1) on the bulletin board used for posting notices of Board meetings, (2) in three additional public places within the District's boundaries, (3) in a prominent location on the District's internet website, and (b) in a prominent location at each polling place on Election Day and during early voting. A sample ballot shall be posted on the District's internet website not less than 21 days prior to Election Day.

SECTION 8. As required by and in accordance with Section 3.009(b)(5) and (7) through (9) of the Code, the District, as of the date of this order, had outstanding an aggregate principal amount of debt equal to \$162,934,809; the aggregate amount of the interest owed on such District debt obligations, through respective maturity, totaled \$76,058,005; and the District levied an ad valorem debt service tax rate for its outstanding debt obligations of \$0.385 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation. Based on the bond market conditions on the date of the Board's adoption of this Order, the estimated maximum interest rate for any series of bonds authorized at the Election is 5% (expressed as a net effective interest rate applicable to any such series of bonds). The bonds that are the subject of this Election shall mature serially or otherwise over a specified number of years (but not more than 40 years from their date), as prescribed by applicable Texas law, though the District estimates that, based on current bond market conditions, such bonds will amortize over a 30-year period from their respective date of issue. The foregoing estimated maximum net effective interest rate and amortization period are only estimates, provided for Texas statutory compliance; they do not serve as a cap on the per annum interest rate at which any series of bonds

authorized at the Election may be sold, or the amortization period for bonds that are the subject of this Election.

SECTION 9. The Board authorizes the District's President of the Board of Trustees, the Superintendent of Schools, or their designees to negotiate and enter into one or more joint election agreements, election services contracts, and/or similar contracts or agreements with the County, acting by and through the Administrator, and any Participants if desired or if required to comply with applicable law, as permitted and in accordance with the Code. In addition, the Board authorizes the President of the Board of Trustees, the Superintendent of Schools, or their designees to make such technical modifications to this Order that are necessary for compliance with applicable Texas or federal law or to carry out the intent of the Board, as evidenced herein.

SECTION 10. The recitals contained in the preamble hereof are hereby found to be true, and such recitals are hereby made a part of this Order for all purposes and are adopted as a part of the judgment and findings of the Board.

SECTION 11. All orders and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Order shall be and remain controlling as to the matters ordered herein.

SECTION 12. This Order shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.

SECTION 13. It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Order is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Order, was given, all as required by Chapter 551, as amended, Texas Government Code.

SECTION 14. If any provision of this Order or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Order and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and the Board hereby declares that this Order would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

SECTION 15. This Order shall be in force and effect from and after its final passage, and it is so ordered.

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PASSED AND APPROVED on August 4, 2022.

SEGUIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Cinde Thomas-Jimenez  
President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

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Glenda Moreno  
Secretary, Board of Trustees

(DISTRICT SEAL)

[Signature Page to Bond Election Order]

**CERTIFICATE OF BOARD SECRETARY**

THE STATE OF TEXAS §  
COUNTY OF GUADALUPE §  
SEGUIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT §

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY CERTIFIES that:

On August 4, 2022, the Board of Trustees (the *Board*) of the Seguin Independent School District (the *District*) convened in special session at its regular meeting place in the District (the *Meeting*), the duly constituted members of the Board being as follows:

Cinde Thomas-Jimenez	President	Alejandro Guerra	Trustee
Carl Jenkins	Vice President	Linda Duncan	Trustee
Glenda Moreno	Secretary	Denise Crettenden	Trustee
		Benito Amador	Trustee

and all such persons were present, except the following: \_\_\_\_\_, thus constituting a quorum. Among other business considered at the Meeting, the attached Order (the *Order*) entitled:

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was introduced for the Board’s consideration. After presentation and discussion, a motion was made by Trustee \_\_\_\_\_ that the Order be passed. The motion was seconded by Trustee \_\_\_\_\_ and carried by the following vote as shown in the official minutes of the Board:

\_\_\_\_\_ voted “For” \_\_\_\_\_ voted “Against” \_\_\_\_\_ abstained

The attached Order is a true and correct copy of the original on file in the official records of the District; the duly qualified and acting members of the Board on the date of the Meeting are those persons shown above and, according to the records of my office, each member of the Board was given actual notice of the time, place, and purpose of the Meeting and had actual notice that the Order would be considered; the Meeting and deliberation of the aforesaid public business, was open to the public; and written notice of the Meeting, including the subject of the Order, was posted and given in advance thereof in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 551, as amended, Texas Government Code.

SIGNED AND SEALED on \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Glenda Moreno  
Secretary, Board of Trustees

**WAIVER OF NOTICE AND CONSENT TO SPECIAL MEETING**

WE, the undersigned members of the Board of Trustees of the Seguin Independent School District HEREBY WAIVE NOTICE and CONSENT to the holding of a special meeting of the Board of Trustees to be held on August 4, 2022 at 6:30 p.m., in the regular meeting place of the Board of Trustees for the purpose of passing, adopting, or otherwise acting upon

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and for the purpose of acting upon such other matters as may properly come before such meeting.

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