

SEGUIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD RESOLUTION ON ESTABLISHING SEGUIN ISD
POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Seguin Independent School District has the authority under Texas Education Code §37.081 to commission peace officers to ensure the safety and security of students, staff, and district property; and

WHEREAS, the safety of students and staff is the highest priority of the Seguin ISD Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 3 (88th Texas Legislature, 2023) requires school districts to have at least one armed security officer present during regular school hours at each district campus; and

WHEREAS, Seguin ISD serves approximately 7,200 students across multiple campuses within the district boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that establishing a school district police department will enhance campus safety, improve emergency response capabilities, provide consistent law enforcement presence, and allow the District to hire peace officers who align with the District's educational mission and values; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive district-based police department, whose jurisdiction would encompass all territory within the boundaries of the District, will serve to enhance the safety and security of the entire District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of Seguin ISD, at a lawfully called meeting of the Board, held in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, formally declares that:

SECTION 1: ESTABLISHMENT

The Board hereby authorizes the establishment of the Seguin Independent School District Police Department as a commissioned law enforcement agency under Texas Education Code §37.081, subject to the jurisdiction and regulatory authority of the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE).

SECTION 2: AUTHORIZATION TO SUPERINTENDENT

The Superintendent of Schools is authorized and directed to:

- A. Contact TCOLE's Special Services Division to initiate the application process for department authorization to operate;
- B. Develop and submit all required preliminary policies, procedures, and documentation to TCOLE;
- C. Establish a viable method of communications and dispatch services as required by TCOLE;
- D. Recruit, interview, and hire a qualified Chief of Police for the Seguin ISD Police Department;
- E. Work with the Chief of Police to recruit and hire qualified commissioned peace officers;
- F. Procure necessary equipment, uniforms, duty weapons, tactical equipment, communications equipment, and vehicles;
- G. Establish appropriate staffing levels to ensure adequate coverage across all district campuses;
- H. Develop comprehensive policies and procedures for department operations in accordance with TCOLE standards, Texas Education Code, and best practices in school-based law enforcement;
- I. Enter into Memoranda of Understanding with law enforcement agencies having overlapping jurisdiction as required by Texas Education Code §37.081(g);
- J. Take all actions necessary to ensure compliance with state and federal requirements.

SECTION 3: FUNDING

The Board authorizes the expenditure of district funds for both initial startup costs and ongoing operational expenses associated with the establishment and operation of the police department. Funding sources shall include operational budgets, available state funding, grants, and other appropriate revenue sources. The Superintendent shall present detailed budget proposals to the Board for approval.

SECTION 4: JURISDICTION

The jurisdiction of the Seguin ISD Police Department shall include all territory within the boundaries of Seguin Independent School District and all property outside the district boundaries that is owned, leased, rented, or otherwise under the control of the District.

SECTION 5: POLICY DEVELOPMENT

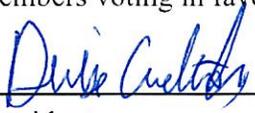
The Superintendent shall develop and present to the Board for adoption all necessary local board policies addressing the organization, administration, and operation of the police department, including Board Policy DH (LOCAL) - School District Peace Officers, School Resource Officers, and Security Personnel.

SECTION 6: EFFECTIVE DATE

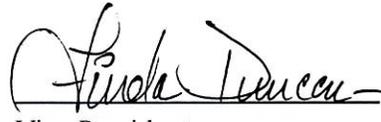
This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE MAJORITY OF MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY ON THIS 24TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 24, 2026.

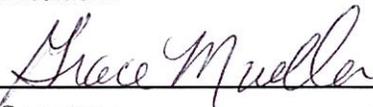
Members voting in favor of the Resolution:



President



Vice President



Secretary



Trustee

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