



City of Farmers Branch Action Meeting Minutes Senior Advisory Board

The Branch Connection
14055 Dennis Lane
Farmers Branch, TX 75234

Thursday, May 7, 2026.

1:00 P.M.

The Branch Connection

Board Members Present: Deborah Hull, Matt Rice, Debra Krusehart, Everardo Oviedo, Deborah Long, Rick Cathey, and Marsha Valenti.

Board Members Absent: N/A

City Staff Present: Robert Diaz, Parks and Recreation Director, Maria Minter, Deputy Director, Parks and Recreation, Jackie Byles, The Branch Connection Manager, Jennifer Stone, Recreation Supervisor, Kevin Branch, Recreation Coordinator.

A. CALL TO ORDER - (1:00 P.M.)

Chair Matt Rice called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

B. CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no comments.

C. AGENDA ITEMS

C.1 Consider approval of minutes for the April 2, 2026 meeting; and take appropriate action.

Deborah Long made a motion to approve the minutes. Rick Cathey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C.2 Receive The Branch Connections' second-quarter report.

Jackie Byles updated the Senior Advisory Board on The Branch Connections' second quarter report.

C.3 Review events and activities.

Jackie Byles reviewed the activities planned for May. The Senior Advisory Board members reported on programs they attended. No action taken.

C.4 Receive an update from the following appointed sub-committees:

- **Memorial**
- **Social Program Series**
- **Veterans Day**
- **Renovation**

The following updates were provided for each subcommittee:

- Memorial – No new updates at this time.
- Social Program Series – Debra Krusehart presented options for the September Social Series program for food and entertainment.
- Veterans Day – Matt Rice updated the Senior Advisory Board.
- Renovation – Jackie Byles gave an update.

C.5 Discuss agenda items for future Senior Advisory Board meetings.

The Senior Advisory Board mentioned during the Review of events and activities in June to discuss the April tour the group participated in.

C.6 Receive the Senior Advisory Board and City Council update calendar.

Matt Rice reviewed upcoming events and the new board meeting dates.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Deborah Hull made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Debra Krusehart seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Matt Rice, Chair

Jackie Byles, The Branch Connection
Manager