



# City of Farmers Branch Action Meeting Minutes Senior Advisory Board

The Branch Connection  
14055 Dennis Lane  
Farmers Branch, TX 75234

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Thursday, February 5, 2026

1:00 P.M.

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**Board Members Present:** Deborah Hull, Matt Rice, Debra Krusehart, Everardo Oviedo, Deborah Long, Rick Cathey, Marsha Valenti, and Emeritus Ruth Fuls

**Board Members Absent:** Mary Creason

**City Staff Present:** Jessica Alvarado, Recreation Superintendent, The Branch Connection Manager, Jackie Byles, Recreation Assistant Manager, Jennifer Stone, Recreation Supervisor, Kevin Branch

## **A. CALL TO ORDER - (11:30 A.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 December 4, 2025, meeting; and take appropriate action.**

Matt Rice made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Deborah Long seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **C.2 Receive The Branch Connections fourth-quarter report**

Jackie Byles reviewed The Branch Connections' fourth-quarter report with the Senior Advisory Board.

### **C.3 Receive and update on Gym Closure and Holiday schedules.**

Jackie Byles and Jessica Alvarado reviewed Parks and Recreation event and holiday schedules and discussed the upcoming Recreation Center gym court closure.

#### **C.4 Review events and activities.**

Jackie Byles reviewed the activities planned for February. The Senior Advisory Board members reported on programs they attended.

#### **C.5 Receive an update from the following appointed sub-committees.**

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

The following updates were provided for each subcommittee:

- **Spotlight**- Discussed the award given at the February Breakfast and next meeting to update the subcommittee on the rearrangement.
- **Memorial** – No new updates at this time, and the next meeting will be to update the subcommittee to rearrange.
- **Social Program Series** – The subcommittee discussed plans for the March social program.
- **Veterans Day** – This group will meet in April and will be paused until reactivated.
- **Renovation** – Jackie Byles gave an update.

#### **C.6 Discuss agenda items for future Senior Advisory Board meetings.**

Jackie Byles reported that the first quarter report would be an agenda item in the future.

#### **C.7 Receive the Senior Advisory Board and City Council update calendar.**

Jackie Byles 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 1:39 p.m.

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Matt Rice, Chair

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Jackie Byles, The Branch Connection  
Manager