



City of Farmers Branch Action Meeting Minutes Senior Advisory Board

The Branch Connection
14055 Dennis Lane
Farmers Branch, TX 75234

Thursday, August 14, 2025

1:00 PM

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Board Members Present: Deborah Hull, Matt Rice, Debra Krusehart, Mary Creason, Deborah Long, Emeritus Ruth Fuls

Board Members Absent: Joyce Benoit

City Staff Present: The Branch Connection Manager, Jackie Byles, Recreation Assistant Manager, Jennifer Stone, and Recreation Supervisor, Kevin Branch.

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

Matt Rice, called the meeting to order at 1 p.m.

B. CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no comments.

C. AGENDA ITEMS

C.1 Consider approval of minutes for the July 10, 2025 meeting; and take appropriate action.

Deborah Hull made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Debra Krusehart seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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

Jackie Byles gave the Senior Advisory Board the third-quarter report update.

C.3 Discuss plans for a time capsule.

The board discussed collecting items with a deadline of September 15, 2025. After the deadline, the items will be placed in a time capsule during the September social program and will be sealed for opening in 2050.

C.4 Review events and activities.

Jackie Byles reviewed the activities planned for the month of July. The Senior Advisory Board members talked about programs they had attended.

C.5 Receive an update from the following appointed subcommittees; and take appropriate action:

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

The following updates were provided for each subcommittee:

- **Spotlight-** An award recipient was selected and announced. Debra Hull made the motion to vote and Matt Rice seconded the selected recipient. The vote passed.
- **Memorial –** Will review a future application for the memorial board.
- **Century-** No update for this meeting.
- **Social Program Series –** Jennifer Stone and Deborah Long gave an update about the September social series program.
- **Veterans Day –** Matt Rice spoke about this group and future meetings.
- **Renovation –** Jackie Byles gave an update on the renovation, and it is nearly fully completed. This item for the subcommittee update will be dissolved once completion is reached.

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

Matt Rice noted that a discussion of the Senior Advisory Board meeting day and time should be added to the September agenda.

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

Jackie Byles reviewed upcoming events and dates.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Deborah Hull moved to adjourn the meeting. Deborah Long seconded the motion, which carried. The meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Matt Rice, Chair

Jackie Byles, The Branch Connection Manager