



Public Notice of Regular Meeting

The Board of Directors South Texas ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of South Texas ISD will be held August 4, 2020, beginning at 7:00 PM via Video Zoom meeting.

Audio Conferencing Notice: Pursuant to the Governor Abbott's Temporary Suspension of Open Meetings Laws issued on March 16, 2020, this meeting will be conducted via video conference and/or audio conference, which will be audible to the Board and public and allow for two-way communication. The Board President, presiding officer or trustees will not be physically present at one location but a quorum will be required for the meeting on the video conference or phone. The public may access this meeting by clicking on the following link: [Zoom Link](#). An electronic agenda may be viewed at the following link [Electronic Agenda](#). A recording of the meeting will be available for viewing on the District's website. Attached is a link to a public comments form that must be completed and emailed to Amanda Odom, Administrator for Public Relations and Marketing at amanda.odom@stisd.net, prior to the beginning of the meeting if you wish to address the Board of Trustees on an agenda or non-agenda topic for regular meetings or an agenda item at a special meeting. All public comments shall be submitted in writing and distributed to the Board of Trustees for consideration so please note your comments on the form. [STISD Public Comments](#)

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.

Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

1. Welcome.
2. Pledges of Allegiance & District Call to Action.
3. Moment of Silence.
4. Board Meeting called to order.
5. Awards & Recognitions.
6. Approval of Consent Agenda.

In order to promote efficient meetings, the Board may act upon more than one item by a single vote through the use of consent agenda. Consent items shall be items placed on the Agenda marked with an asterisk (*) for which no Board discussion is anticipated and for which the Superintendent recommends approval. Prior to the meeting, at the request of any member of the

Board of Directors, any item on the consent agenda shall be removed and given individual consideration. Requests for individual consideration are made at least a half-hour prior to Board meetings and requests must be directed to either the Board President or the Superintendent.

7. Public Comments for Agenda Topics.
8. Public Audience for Non-Agenda Topics.
9. *Action: Review and act on the June 23, 2020 and July 15, 2020 Board Meeting minutes.
10. Policy & Curriculum - Sylvia S. Lopez & Yolanda Kamel, Co-Chairs
 - A. *Report on Policy Update 115, First Reading.
 - B. *Action: Review and act on the following Memorandums of Understanding related to the Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program for the 2020-2021 school year:
 1. Cameron County
 2. Hidalgo County
11. Buildings & Grounds - Rick Villarreal, DDS & Jaime Solis, Co-Chairs
 - A. Report on the following projects:
 1. Preparatory Academy Parking Lot Expansion
 2. Mercedes Complex Electronic Marquee
 3. Medical Professions Classroom Wing Addition
 4. New Central Office Building Renovation
 - B. Action: Review and act on authorizing Administration to advertise for Competitive Sealed Proposals (CSPs) for the following projects:
 1. Science Academy CATE Building Renovation Project
 2. Edinburg Exterior Restroom
 - C. Action: Review and act on approving the ranking of proposals for construction services for the Edinburg Bus Barn/Maintenance Facility project.
12. Finance Ramon Montalvo, III & Israel G. Quintanilla, Co-Chairs
 - A. *Report on checks written since last report.
 - B. *Report for Child Nutrition Program statement of revenues & expenditures.
 - C. *Action: Review and act on Resolution authorizing bank signatures for Health Professions.
 - D. *Action: Review and act on approving 13 paychecks for new employees.
 - E. *Action: Review and act on the following budget amendments:
 1. 2019-2020 COVID-19 Summer Seamless Option for Child Nutrition Program, Budget Amendment #3
 2. 2019-2020 Advance Placement and International Baccalaureate, Budget Amendment #1
 - F. *Action: Review and act on setting date for public meeting to discuss the 2020-2021 budget and proposed tax rate to be published on the notice of the public hearing.
 - G. *Action: Review and act on 2020-2021 Employee Benefits & Travel Reimbursement Schedule.
 - H. Action: Review and act on awarding the following Request for Proposals (RFPs):
 1. Travel Agencies & Charter Bus Services - RFP 20-014
 2. Unemployment Insurance - RFP 20-015
13. Superintendent's Report - Marco Antonio Lara, Jr., Ed.D.
 - A. *Campus Reports
 1. Preparatory Academy - A. Castro
 2. Rising Scholars Academy - C. Rodriguez
 3. World Scholars - E. Garza
 4. Medical Professions - H. Goette
 5. Health Professions - M. L. Flores
 6. Science Academy - I. Castillo, Ed.D.
 - B. *Report on professional vacancies.

- C. *Action: Review and retroactive approve announcement of vacancies for the 2020 summer programs.
 - D. *Action: Review and retroactive approve the Operation Connectivity Interlocal Acquisition Agreement with Region 4 ESC.
 - E. *Report on local certification through District of Innovation Plan.
14. *Correspondence.
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION: A closed or executive session as pursuant to the Texas Government Code Section, 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.082, 551.084 and 551.001, the Board may go into Executive Session to discuss the following:
- A. 551.074, 551.071 Personnel Matters and consultation with school attorney regarding Personnel Matters: Closed Meeting
 - 1. Recommendation of professional staff for the 2020-2021 school year.
 - a. Teachers
 - b. Assistant Principal
 - 2. Recommendation of professional staff for the 2020 summer programs.
 - 3. Rescission of professional employment contract for the 2020-2021 school year.
16. OPEN SESSION: Action on any Item Deliberated in Closed Meeting
- A. 551.074, 551.071 Personnel Matters and consultation with school attorney regarding Personnel Matters:
 - 1. Action: Review and act on recommendation of professional staff for the 2020-2021 school year.
 - a. Teachers
 - b. Assistant Principal
 - 2. Action: Review and retroactive approve on recommendation of professional staff for the 2020 summer programs.
 - 3. Action: Review and act on the rescission of professional employment contract for the 2020-2021 school year.
17. Adjournment.

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E or Texas Government Code section 418.183(f). Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting. [See BEC(LEGAL)]

The notice for this meeting was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act on _____, at _____.

For the Board of Directors