



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 May 28, 2024, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Central Office Teaching and Learning Center, 7001 E. Expressway 83, Mercedes, Texas 78570.

Individuals who wish to address the Board during the portion of the meeting designated for public comment shall sign up at least 48 hours prior to the meeting by submitting an email to public.audience@stisd.net and attaching the District's Public Audience Sign-in Sheet available on the District's website.

During the course of a board meeting, the Board may discuss any item on the agenda in a closed meeting if permitted under the Texas Open Meetings Act. 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, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E.

Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.129, the Board of Trustees may use a telephone conference call, video conference call or communications over the internet to conduct a public consultation with its attorney in an open meeting of the governmental body or a private consultation with its attorney in a closed meeting of the governmental body.

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. Board Meeting called to order.
3. Pledges of Allegiance & District Call to Action.
4. Moment of Silence.
5. Public Comments for Agenda Topics.
6. Public Audience for Non-Agenda Topics.
7. Awards & Recognitions.

- A. Recognition of the 2024 STISD District Teacher of the Year.
 - B. Recognition of all four high schools for ranking among the best in the state and nation in the U.S. News & World Report 2024 Best U.S. High Schools.
8. 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.
9. *Action: Review and act on the April 30, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes.
10. Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment Committee - Rick Villarreal, DDS, and David Briones, Co-Chairs
- A. Report on 8th Grade Health Science CTE students to receive CPR Certification.
 - B. Report on the Teacher Incentive Allotment System Expansion and Modification Application.
 - C. Action: Review and act on approving the T-TESS Appraisal Calendar for the 2024-2025 school year.
11. Buildings and Grounds Committee - David Torres and Ruth Villarreal, Co-Chairs
- A. Report on the following projects:
 - 1. Health Professions Parking Lot project
 - 2. Health Professions Gymnasium project
 - 3. Athletic Fields project
 - B. Action: Review and act on approving the Job Order Contract for the Roofing Projects, and authorize the Board President to enter into the contract.
12. Finance & Operations Committee - Israel G. Quintanilla and Rudy Ramirez, Co-Chairs
- A. *Report on checks written since last report.
 - B. *Action: Review and act on removing assets from district inventory.
 - C. *Action: Review and act on approving a donation from Texas A&M University in the amount of \$500 to Medical Professions for participating in the Texas School Survey of Drug and Alcohol Use.
 - D. *Action: Review and act on extending the following Request for Proposals (RFPs):
 - 1. RFP 23-001 General Merchandise
 - 2. RFP 23-003 General Maintenance, Building, Grounds Services & Equipment
 - 3. RFP 23-004 Building Materials
 - 4. RFP 23-005 Drug Testing Services
 - 5. RFP 23-006 Video Productions & Photography Services
 - 6. RFP 23-008 Petroleum Products
 - 7. RFP 23-012 Instructional Supplies and Technology Products
 - 8. RFP 23-014 Employee Uniforms
 - 9. RFP 24-004 Pizza Products
 - 10. RFP 24-005 Bus & Auto Parts

11. RFP 24-006 Mats & Linens
 12. RFP 24-007 Tow Truck Services
 13. RFP 24-008 Maintenance & Building Repair Services
 14. RFP 24-009 Building Materials
 15. RFP 24-010 Instructional Materials
- E. *Action: Review and act on approving the following Request for Proposals (RFPs):
1. RFP 25-003 Awards, Incentives, and Printed Materials
 2. RFP 25-004 Document Imaging, Shredding, & Retention Services
 3. RFP 25-005 Travel Agent & Charter Bus Services
 4. RFP 25-006 Special Education Contracted Services
 5. RFP 25-007 Contracted Professional Development Services
 6. RFP 25-008 Hazardous Waste and Surplus Chemical Disposal
 7. RFP 25-009 Career and Technical Education Instructional Materials, Assessments, and Supplies
- F. Action: Review and act on the following budget amendment(s):
1. General Fund #6 (199)
 2. Child Nutrition Summer Program (242)
- G. Action: Review and act on the following payment applications:
1. Payment application #4 to Gomez Mendez Saenz, Inc. in the amount of \$1,584.42 for the Health Professions Parking Lot project.
 2. Payment application #4 to Noble Texas Builders in the amount of \$105,434.80 for the Health Professions Parking Lot project.
 3. Payment application #15 to D. Wilson Construction in the amount of \$57,236.55 for the Edinburg Bus Barn project.
 4. Payment application #16 (final) to D. Wilson Construction in the amount of \$8,064.15 for the Edinburg Bus Barn project.
 5. Invoice #501555 to Automated Logic in the amount of \$50,225.27 for the replacement of the HVAC automation system.
 6. Invoice #501553 to Automated Logic in the amount of \$187,407.06 for the replacement of the HVAC automation system
 7. Invoice #507347 to Automated Logic in the amount of \$152,973.20 for the replacement of the HVAC automation system.
 8. Invoice #507356 to Automated Logic in the amount of \$174,466.71 for the replacement of the HVAC automation system.
 9. Invoice #512095 to Automated Logic in the amount of \$91,639.08 for the replacement of the HVAC automation system.
 10. Invoice #501552 to Automated Logic in the amount of \$41,456.15 for the replacement of the HVAC automation system.
 11. Action: Review and act on the following requisitions:
 - a. Requisition #121261 to Trane for the replacement and installation of an HVAC unit at Health Professions.
 - b. Requisition #120926 to Perry Mechanical for the replacement of an HVAC unit at Rising Scholars Academy.

- H. Action: Review and act on approving Good Buy Cooperative, and enter into an interlocal agreement.
 - I. Action: Review and act on approving expenses using Mackenzie Scott donation funds.
 - J. Action: Consideration and possible approval of a Resolution Appointing Members to the South Texas Independent School District Public Facility Corporation Board of Directors, Calling a Meeting of the South Texas Independent School District Public Facility Corporation Board of Directors and approval of other matters related thereto.
13. Policy, Planning, Projects & Partnerships Committee - Robert J. Lerma and Noel Garza, DDS., Co-Chairs
- A. Report on Career and Technical Education Partnerships.
 - B. Action: Review and act on a revision to Policy FMG (LOCAL): Student Activities Travel Meal Allowance for Students.
 - C. Action: Review and act on a revision to Policy DNB (LOCAL): Performance Appraisal Evaluation of Campus Administrators.
14. Community & Governmental Relations Committee - Sasha Crane and Yolanda Kamel, Co-Chairs
- A. *Report: Update regarding the current marketing campaign and future possibilities for student recruitment.
15. Superintendent's Report - Marco Antonio Lara, Jr., Ed.D.
- A. *Campus and District Reports
 - 1. Preparatory Academy - M. Zamora
 - 2. Rising Scholars Academy - R. Rodriguez, Ed.D.
 - 3. World Scholars - C. Chairez, Ed.D.
 - 4. Medical Professions - J. Lucio
 - 5. Health Professions - M. Guajardo, Ph.D.
 - 6. Science Academy - E. Gutierrez
 - 7. Virtual Academy - M. Valdez
 - 8. Enrollment & Attendance Report
 - 9. Human Resources Report
 - B. *Report on professional vacancies.
 - C. *Report on local certification through the District of Innovation Plan.
 - D. *Action: Review and act on the following out of district student/staff travel:
 - 1. Student Mentoring with Immersive Learning and Enrichment (S.M.I.L.E.) Healthcare Pathway Program, July 7-12, 2024, in Nashville, TN.
 - E. Action: Review and act on Resolution calling for South Texas ISD Board of Directors Elections, November 5, 2024.
 - F. Action: Name new delegate and alternate for the TASA|TASB txEdCON24 Annual Convention, September 28, 2024, in San Antonio, TX.
 - G. Action: Review and Act on approving the request for New Non-Professional Positions for the 2024-2025 school year and the Announcement of Vacancy for the following:
 - 1. Child Nutrition Workers (6)

2. Classroom Aide (1)

16. **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 2024-2025 school year.
 - a. Director of Bilingual & ESL Education
 - b. Assistant Principal(s)
 - c. Assessment & Accountability Coordinator
 - d. Licensed Specialist in School Psychology Lead Co-Op
 - e. Occupational Therapist Co-Op
 - f. District Student Wellness Specialist
 - g. Counselor
 - h. School Nurse
 - i. Teacher(s)

17. 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 2024-2025 school year.
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 - b. Assistant Principal(s)
 - c. Assessment and Accountability Coordinator
 - d. Licensed Specialist in School Psychology Lead Co-Op
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18. 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 Friday, May 24, 2024, at 8:35 a.m.

Crystal Solis

For the Board of Directors