



**SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

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**Minutes of Regular Meeting**

**The Board of Trustees  
South San Antonio ISD**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of South San Antonio ISD was held Thursday, February 25, 2021, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Teleconference/Virtual.

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Trustee	Present	Absent	Late Arrival/Departed Early
Stacey Alderete	X		
Gilbert Rodriguez	X		
Connie Prado	X		
Shirley Ibarra Pena		X	
Homer Flores	X		
Ernesto Arellano Jr.	X		
Gina Villagomez	X		

Led by Michelle Martinez, Senior Executive Assistant

- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- TEXAS PLEDGE
- PRAYER
- CALL TO ACTION

Led by Mary Nell Sanchez, Marketing Specialist

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Mr. Rodriguez, Board President, read board meeting rules of decorum aloud.

Tom Cummins, AFT President, addressed the Board regarding the Federal Families First Relief Act to be used for Coronavirus events.

**PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS 2019-2020 TEXAS ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE REPORT (TAPR)**

Citizens to be heard pertaining to 2019-2020 TEXAS ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE REPORT (TAPR).

Section start time: 6:07 PM.

Section end time: 6:36 PM.

**RECOGNITIONS**

National School Counseling Week

Carlos Gallardo, Director of Guidance & Counseling, was called to recognize district counselors.

Superintendent Seize the Future Award

Mary Nell Sanchez, Marketing Specialist, was called to recognize the award recipient.

Black History Month

Mary Nell Sanchez, Marketing Specialist, was called to recognize Black History Month.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REMARKS (NO ACTION / REPORT ONLY)**

Dr. Marc Puig, Superintendent of Schools, addressed the Board and audience, recognizing Scott Stephens, Child Nutrition Director, the Child Nutrition Department, and all of the staff/parent/Trustee

volunteers during the snow storm. Over 7,500 meals and 3,000 snacks to our community. He recognized our athletes. The South San High School Cheerleading Team won the NCA Championship. He also recognized the South San High School Boys Basketball as he received a letter from Northside ISD. It expressed the appreciation of how our children handled themselves as champions; with class, poise, and discipline. The letter complimented the great sportsmanship our fans expressed during the game. He provided a COVID update stating that 6,400 tests were conducted this month and 200 vaccinations were available to our staff today. He stated that we are seizing the future with evidence. The Board approved magnet academies have launched (the application process). He informed that the West Campus High School track, golf, and baseball are underway.

**BOARD PRESIDENT'S REMARKS (NO ACTION / REPORT ONLY)**

Gilbert Rodriguez, Board President, addressed the Board and audience regarding the importance of sports in our schools. He recognized South San High School Boys Basketball Coach Raymond Carroll and team for the great season. He informed that we conducted our first Community Visioning session last week. He stated that another XG Governance session has been completed. Mr. Rodriguez thanked the food service for passing out meals after the snow storms.

**CONSENT**

*Policy BE (Local) states that the consent agenda shall include items of a routine and/or recurring nature grouped together under one action item. All such items shall be acted upon by one vote without separate discussion, unless a Board Member requests that an item be withdrawn for individual consideration. The remaining items shall be adopted under a single motion and vote.*

**Board Meeting Minutes**

- December 16, 2020 Regular Called Meeting
- January 12, 2021 Special Called Meeting
- January 20, 2021 Regular Called Meeting
- January 27, 2021 Special Called Meeting
- February 10, 2021 Special Called Meeting
- Budget Amendment
- 2021 - 2022 Academic Calendar

Mrs. Alderete moved to approve the consent agenda items 1 & 3 as presented, Mr. Arrellano seconded and the Board of Trustees voted 6/0 to approve the item as presented. Motion passed

<b>Vote:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstained</b>
Stacey Alderete	X		
Gilbert Rodriguez	X		
Connie Prado	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Ernesto Arellano Jr.	X		
Gina Villagomez	X		

**CONSENT Items pulled**

**Item #- 2**

Dr. Marc Puig, Superintendent, and Jeff Baum, Deputy Superintendent of Business & Operations, were called to present and answer questions related to this item.

Mr. Rodriguez moved to approve consent item #2 as presented, Mrs. Alderete seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 6/0 to approve the item as presented. Motion passed

<b>Vote:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstained</b>
Stacey Alderete	X		
Gilbert Rodriguez	X		
Connie Prado	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Ernesto Arellano Jr.	X		
Gina Villagomez	X		

**PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS**

January 2021 Financials

Jeff Baum, Deputy Superintendent of Business & Operations, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

2021 #GrowWithUs Campaign and Enrollment Update

Dolores Sendejo, Deputy Superintendent of Innovation & Transformation, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

Police Department and Emergency Management Report

Eugene Tovar, SSAISD Chief of Police, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

Adult Basic Education Programs

Theresa Servellon, Chief Academic Officer, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

2021 State Assessment Update

Theresa Servellon, Chief Academic Officer, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

Approve the selection of Firms to provide Architect, Legal, Financial Advisor, Independent Financial Audit and Third Party Administrator for Self Insured Workers Compensation Claims Administration services for the District.

Dr. Marc Puig, Superintendent, Dolores Sendejo, Deputy Superintendent of Innovation & Transformation, and Jeff Baum, Deputy Superintendent of Business & Operations were called to present and answer questions related to this item.

Mrs. Alderete moved to approve the item as presented, Mr. Flores seconded

Mr. Arrellano made a substitute motion: I want to propose a substitute motion to table the vote and provide the board members not on the committee with the access to the recorded interviews and then bring this up for a vote at either the next regular board meeting or a special called meeting to be determined, Mrs. Prado seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 2/4. Motion failed

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Stacey Alderete		X	
Gilbert Rodriguez		X	
Connie Prado	X		
Homer Flores		X	
Ernesto Arrellano Jr.	X		
Gina Villagomez		X	

Mrs. Prado made a second substitute motion: I make a motion that we approve the firm of for legal services of Walsh Gallegos Trevino Russo and Kyle to be our legal service representatives to the district according to the scoring sheets they outscored all of the other firms by a tremendous amount so I am recommending them for our school district attorney and that we also give a retainer to O’Hanlon, Demerath, and Castillo as a retainer specifically for the TEA SIA investigation that is going on for them to continue should the need arise. Mr. Rodriguez asked for clarification and Mrs. Prado confirmed that she did not want to amend the portion of the recommendation to approve all other services which include Architect, Financial Audit Services, and Financial Advisor, Mr. Arrellano seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 1/5. Motion failed

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Stacey Alderete		X	
Gilbert Rodriguez		X	
Connie Prado	X		
Homer Flores		X	

Ernesto Arrellano Jr.		X	
Gina Villagomez		X	

The Board of Trustees voted 5/1 to approve the item as presented. Motion passed

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Stacey Alderete	X		
Gilbert Rodriguez	X		
Connie Prado		X	
Homer Flores	X		
Ernesto Arrellano Jr.	X		
Gina Villagomez	X		

**CLOSED / EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*NOTICE: The Board of Trustees may elect to go into Closed Meeting any time during the meeting to discuss matters listed on the Agenda when authorized by the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. In the event the Board of Trustees elects to go into Closed Meeting regarding an Agenda Item, the Board of Trustees will hold a Closed Meeting to discuss individual personnel matters including termination, litigation and other matters the Board deems necessary. Upon completion of Closed Meeting, the Board of Trustees may, in the open session, take such action as appropriate on items discussed in a Closed Meeting. If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item listed on the agenda should be held in Closed Meeting, the Board will convene in such Closed Meeting in accordance with Texas Government Code Sections 551.001 - 551.088. The Board members may take action in the open portion of the meeting on items discussed in the Closed Meeting but no action will be taken in closed session.*

***The Board will return to open session and take appropriate action, if any, on items discussed in closed session. No Action will be taken in closed session. Further, Board Members are reminded that all items discussed in closed session must remain confidential so as to avoid liability to the district. The Board will consider and discuss, the following items:***

**Closed Meeting pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code §§ 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, and 551.0821**

Discussion concerning personnel matters and Superintendent's evaluation pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074.

Section start time: 9:50 PM.

Section end time: 10: 12 PM.

**OPEN SESSION**

Reconvene from Executive Session for action relative to items considered during Executive Session

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mrs. Alderete moved to adjourn the meeting, Ms. Villagomez seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:12 PM.

**ATTEST**

*Gilbert F. Rodriguez*  
 Gilbert f. Rodriguez (Apr 28, 2021 10:27 CDT)

Gilbert F. Rodriguez, Board President

*Stacey E. Alderete*  
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Stacey E. Alderete, Board Secretary

*NOTICE: This meeting of the Board of Trustees is authorized in accordance with the Texas Government Code, Sections 551.001 - 551.146. Verification of Notice of Meeting and Agenda are on file in the Office of the Superintendent. Closed meeting, if required and if authorized by the statute,*