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Minutes of Special Called Meeting

The Board of Directors South Texas ISD

A Special Called Meeting of the Board of Directors of South Texas ISD was held February 23, 2026, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Central Office Teaching and Learning Center, 7001 E. Expressway 83, Mercedes, Texas 78570.

1. Welcome.

Mr. Henry LeVrier, Board President, welcomed guests, staff and fellow Board members.

2. Board Meeting called to order.

The following board members were present:

David Briones	La Feria
Douglas E. Buchanan	Raymondville
Abiel J. Cantú	Raymondville
Eduardo L. “Larry” Cantu	Los Fresnos
Sasha Crane	McAllen
Adrian Garcia	Brownsville
Irma Garcia	McAllen
Margarita Garcia	San Juan
Noel Garza, DDS	Mission
Sylvia Sánchez Garza, Ph.D.	Edinburg
Henry LeVrier	Brownsville
Eduardo Roberto Rodriguez	Brownsville
Rodolfo “Rudy” Ramirez	Edinburg
Oscar Salinas	Edinburg
Jaime R. Solis	Edinburg
David Suarez	Weslaco
Rick Villarreal, DDS	Rancho Viejo
Ruth Villarreal	Mission
Sue Ann Villarreal	Raymondville

The following Board members were absent:

Andrea E. Gonzales-Loya	Raymondville
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Robert J. Lerma
Sandra Garza Ochoa, Ph.D.
Zach Zamora

Brownsville
Weslaco
Mission

The following staff members were present:
Marco Antonio Lara, Jr., Ed.D.
Carmen Noriega

3. Pledges of Allegiance & District Call to Action.

E. Larry Cantu led the Pledges of Allegiance and District Call to Action.

4. Moment of Silence.

The Board held a moment of silence.

5. Public Comments for Agenda Topics.

The Board did not receive any requests to address the Board of Directors on any agenda topics.

6. **EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board of Directos met on February 23, 2026 at 5:44 p.m. in 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 Secretary, Mr. E. Larry Cantu, served to record the minutes of the closed session to discuss the following:**

- A. Pursuant to Tex. Govt. Code 551.074, Consultation with TASB regarding Superintendent Search Process.

1. Discuss applications for the Superintendent position.

The Board ended the Executive Session at 6:22 p.m.

7. OPEN SESSION: Action on any Item Deliberated in Closed Meeting
 - A. Approve the number of applicants to be interviewed for the Superintendent position.

A motion was made by E. Larry Cantu, seconded by Dr. Noel Garza, approving six applicants to be interviewed with an additional one as alternate and providing the option for interview via zoom for candidates out of state. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Adjournment.

The Board adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m.