

**Sierra Blanca ISD Board Minutes
March 23, 2026**

I. Call Meeting to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:11 pm by President Robert Gomez
Motion made by Annette Ramirez and seconded by Mary Lewis to call the meeting to order.

Alicia Walker: Yay Mary Lewis: yay
Jessie Ortega: Yay Robert Gomez: yay
Annette Ramirez: yay

Motion carried

Members Present: Annette Ramirez, Mary Lewis, Alicia Walker, Jessie Ortega and Robert Gomez

Members Absent: Juanita Snyder and Marty Bustamante

II. Opening Activities

Board conducted usual opening activities

III. Verification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law.

March 17, 2026 at 1:30 pm

IV. Open Forum

None

V. Consent Items

A. Approval of Financial

i. Consideration of Expenditures Since Previous Meeting

ii. Budget Expanded by Function

B. Tax Collections

C. Investment Report Monthly/Quarterly

D. Board Minutes from Board Meeting on February 9, 2026.

Motion to approve all consent items as presented by Mary Lewis and seconded by Jessie Ortega.

Robert Gomez: yay Alicia Walker: yay
Mary Lewis: yay Annette Ramirez: yay

Jessie Ortega: yay

Motion carried

VI. Discussion/Presentation of SB546 Bus Reporting of Cost of a New Bus and/or to Retrofit the Current Bus with 3-point Seat Belts

Decision will have to be taken later by Sept 2029, currently sit at 2 buses with 3-point seat belts and 1 bus needing the 3-point seat belt. Letter

from Bluebird stating they will not modify to create 3-point seat belts in older models but the price of a new bus is too high for the district to currently afford to change.

VII. Action: Discussion/Approval to use Singleton and Clark for the SY 20225-2026 Audit

Motion made by Alicia Walker and seconded by Mary Lewis to approve the use of Singleton and Clark for the school year 2025-2026 audit.

Robert Gomez: yay

Annette Ramirez: yay

Alicia Walker: yay

Mary Lewis: yay

Jessie Ortega: yay

Motion carried.

VIII. Action: Discussion/Approval of a Change to the School Calendar for a Weather Day on January 27, 2026

Motion made by Mary Lewis and seconded by Alicia Walker to approve the change to the school calendar for January 27, 2026 to a weather day.

Robert Gomez: yay

Annette Ramirez: yay

Alicia Walker: yay

Mary Lewis: yay

Jessie Ortega: yay

Motion carried.

IX. Action: Discussion/Approval of Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials Survey for SY 2026-2027

Motion made by Jessie Ortega and seconded by Mary Lewis to approve the Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials Survey for school year 2026-2027.

Robert Gomez: yay

Annette Ramirez: yay

Alicia Walker: yay

Mary Lewis: yay

Jessie Ortega: yay

Motion carried.

X. Action: Discussion/Approval of Recommended Teacher Contracts for 2026-2027 School Year

Motion made by Jessie Ortega and seconded by Alicia Walker to go into closed session at 6:38 pm under Section 551.074.

Robert Gomez: yay

Annette Ramirez: yay

Alicia Walker: yay

Mary Lewis: yay

Jessie Ortega: yay

Motion carried.

Board convened at 6:53 pm in open meeting

Motion to approve the one-year contract renewals with the list attached.

Robert Gomez: abstain

Annette Ramirez: yay

Alicia Walker: yay

Mary Lewis: yay

Jessie Ortega: abstain

Motion Carried

XI. Presentation of the District Vulnerability Assessment Full Report conducted on January 29,2026.

Motion made by Annette Ramirez and seconded by Alicia Walker to enter into closed session at 6:55 pm per section 551.076.

Robert Gomez: yay

Annette Ramirez: yay

Alicia Walker: yay

Mary Lewis: yay

Jessie Ortega: yay

Motion carried

Board convened in open session at 6:58pm

XII. Action: Discussion/Approval of edited resolution for CJD Truancy Grant

No approval needed after all

XIII. None

XIV. Superintendent Report

a. Intent to Hire at Will: List of employees

b. TIA: Updated pages 2-3 under payout conditions the committee decided on

c. Superintendent Calendar and newsletter available

d. General Operation Schedule and Assignments: Master schedule

e. Facility Needs: send email of needs

f. Bond Update: Finishing Ag Barn, picking up tractor for field next week.

g. Interim STAAR results: paper with students' percentages

h. School Calendar: meeting with staff and use a survey from community to decide on continuing 4 day or move to 5 day.

i. SLI June 10-13. Current CEUs handout

XV. Schedule Future Meetings

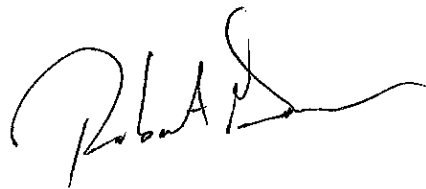
April 20, 2026 at 6 pm

XVI. Adjourn

Motion made by Alicia Walker and seconded by Mary Lewis to adjourn at 7:25 pm.

Robert Gomez: yay
Alicia Walker: yay
Jessie Ortega: yay
Motion carried.

Annette Ramirez: yay
Mary Lewis: yay

 4/20/26