TEJANO CENTER

RYSS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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"The mission of the Tejano Center is to educate, empower, and transform lives to elevate communities by fostering collaboration, championing equitable resource allocation, cultural preservation, and inclusivity for all."

PUBLIC NOTICE

Meeting Agenda for Tuesday, October 28, 2025

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of Tejano Center will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, at 5:30 pm. This meeting is open to the public, and community input is welcomed during the time designated for public comment. Members of the Board and public may attend the regular meeting via web conferencing at https://bit.ly/TejanoCenter-RYSS-BoardMeeting as allowed by Texas Government Code Â§ 551.127 with the principal location containing audio-visual equipment for use by the Board and public and where the presiding member is physically present, and the location is open to the public. If a member of the public can provide testimony or otherwise wishes to participate in the meeting when public input is permitted, but lacks the necessary technology, such will be provided at Tejano Center, 2950 Broadway Street, Houston, TX 77017. The Board will consider, discuss, and adopt such orders, resolutions, and/or motions, and take direct or indirect actions as may be necessary, convenient, or desirable with respect to the matters outlined in this agenda.

Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at 5:30 PM - Board Meeting

1. **CALL TO ORDER** (2 minutes) 5:32pm
2. **PRAYER** (3 minutes) Dr. Adriana Tamez
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/TEXAS PLEDGE** (2 minutes) Sandy Gomez
4. **ROLL CALL** (3 minutes)

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived	Departed
David Corpus	Board Chair	Present – In Person	5:32 PM	
Anthony Magdaleno	Board Vice Chair	Absent		
Margaret Dunlap	Board Secretary	Present – In Person	5:37 PM	
Maria Gonzalez	Board Member	Absent		
Marco Martinez	Board Member	Present – In Person	5:30 PM	
Laura Mayorga	Board Member	Present – In Person	5:49 PM	

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT** (7-10 minutes) Any individual wishing to address the Board of Directors of Tejano Center must sign in with Maribel Guerra by emailing a request to speak, at least 72-hours prior to scheduled meeting. The request must include the name of speaker, telephone, number and email address of the speaker, and the topic of the intended comments, to Maribel.Guerra@tejanocenter.org. Those doing so will be allowed to address the board for a maximum of three minutes. Individuals will address the board in the order that they have signed in. Alternatively, the individual may email comments to the above email address.

6. **PRESIDENT'S PRESENTATIONS & UPDATES**

6.a. **BOARD GOAL 2 PROGRESS**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Justin Fuentes, Chief Schools Officer; Carla Stevens, Data & Accountability

6.b. **BRYSS EXPANSION PRESENTATION**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Justin Fuentes, Chief Schools Officer; Hector Vogliotti, Associate Director, LevelField; Rob Tate, Director, LevelField

7. **ACTION ITEMS**

7.a. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 MEETING OF TEJANO CENTER FOR COMMUNITY CONCERNS/RAUL YZAGUIRRE SCHOOLS FOR SUCCESS BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graciana "Graci" Garces, Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer

Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Martinez; MOTION PASSED.

7.b. **APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2025 UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR RAUL YZAGUIRRE SCHOOLS FOR SUCCESS AND TEJANO CENTER – NON-SCHOOL**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant

Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Martinez; MOTION PASSED.

7.c. **APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT # 5 IN THE AMOUNT OF $100,000 TO SET UP FUNDS RELATED TO THE UPGRADE OF CTE CLASSROOM COMPUTERS FOR ENGINEERING**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant

Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Martinez; MOTION PASSED.

7.d. **APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT # 6 IN THE AMOUNT OF $21,840 TO SET A BUDGET FOR LEASING PAYMENTS FOR PORTABLE RADIOS**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant

Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Mayorga; MOTION PASSED.

7.e. **APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT # 7 IN THE AMOUNT OF $10,000 TO SET A TUITION BUDGET FOR OST PARENT PAYMENTS**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant

Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Mayorga; MOTION PASSED.

7.f. **APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT # 8 IN THE AMOUNT OF $22,000 TO TRANSFER FUNDS BETWEEN ACCOUNT WITH NO EFFECT ON RESERVES**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant

Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Mayorga; MOTION PASSED.

7.g. **RATIFICATION OF MONTHLY DISBURSEMENT REPORT/VENDOR CUMULATIVE PAYMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2025 TO INCLUDE PROCUREMENT PROCESS AND EXPENDITURE APPROVALS**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant

Marco Martinez shared that this item was discussed at the Finance Committee meeting; no concerns.

Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Martinez; MOTION PASSED.

7.h. **RATIFICATION OF THE HCDE CONTRACTS FOR FY 2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF $175,400 SUBJECT TO TEJANO CENTER NEEDS: DETAIL OF CONTRACTS INCLUDE CFO, PROCUREMENT, AND ACCOUNTING/BUDGET SUPPORT ($61,000), ADMIN SUPPORT AND P-CARD SUPPORT ($35,000), HR SUPPORT ($15,000), AND E-RATE SUPPORT ($64,400)**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant

Margaret Dunlap asked if organization is close to finding a CFO. Dr. Tamez advised that we are not; it is hard to find a CFO. Dr. Tamez emphasized that we are lucky to be working with Dr. Amezcua as we have not skipped a beat.

Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Mayorga; MOTION PASSED.

7.i. **RATIFICATION OF MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH SOLVERE TECH SUPPORT IN THE ESTIMATED ANNUAL AMOUNT OF $179,724 ($14,977 PER MONTH) FOR FY 2026**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant

Motion made by Martinez; Seconded by Mayorga; MOTION PASSED.

7.j. **APPROVAL OF THE ISSUANCE OF RFPs TO PROCURE E-RATE SERVICES, FACILITY RENOVATION AND REPAIR SERVICES TO MEET VARIOUS GRANT REQUIREMENTS**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant; Justin Fuentes, Chief Schools Officer

Motion made by Martinez; Seconded by Dunlap; MOTION PASSED.

7.k. **APPROVAL OF NON-EXPANSION AMENDMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING CAMPUSES: NORTHEAST CLUSTER #1 CAMPUS, NORTHEAST CLUSTER #2 CAMPUS**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Justin Fuentes, M.Ed., Chief Schools Officer
Motion made by Martinez ; Seconded by Mayorga MOTION PASSED.

7.l. **APPROVAL OF 2025-2026 BOARD POLICIES**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Juan Santos, Executive Director of Human Resources
Motion made by Martinez; Seconded by Mayorga; MOTION PASSED.

8. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

8.a. **BUSINESS OFFICE PROGRESS REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2025**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting Chief Financial Officer Consultant

8.b. **UPDATE ON HOUSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT SPACE ALLOCATION AT SUNRISE LOFTS**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graciana “Graci” Garces, MPAff, Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer

8.c. **UPDATE ON PARTNERSHIP WITH HOUSTON CITY COLLEGE (FORMERLY HOUSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE) RELATED TO ADULT EDUCATION**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graciana “Graci” Garces, MPAff, Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer; Melissa Martinez, Director of GRADcafe & NOVA Academy for Adult Education

8.d. **AFFORDABLE HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM REPORT**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Gabriela “Gabby” Luna, Director of Affordable Housing and Community Redevelopment

8.e. **CHILD PLACING AGENCY PROGRAM REPORT**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Brenda Navarrette, Director, Child Placing Agency

8.f. **GRADCAFE/NOVA ACADEMY FOR ADULT EDUCATION REPORT**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Melissa Martinez, Director, GRADcafe & NOVA Academy for Adult Education

8.g. **LA TIENDITA REPORT**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Ramiro Fonseca, Director of Outreach & Engagement

8.h. **RESOLVE PROGRAM REPORT**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Jorge Gonzalez, Director, Resolve Program

8.i. **BOARD ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Ramiro Fonseca, Director of Outreach & Engagement

9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE §§ 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, AND 551.082, TO ADDRESS:**

a. Private consultation with attorney concerning privileged issues from agenda matters and pending or threatened litigations.

b. Deliberations concerning the purchase of real property

c. Deliberations concerning the duties of the CEO and CFO regarding supervision of personnel

d. Consider complaints against directors and senior staff

e. Discussion of duties and evaluation of administrative personnel, including complaints regarding school staffing, academic and organizational changes for the 2024-2025 school year

10. **ADJOURNMENT** 6:36pm