SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

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Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Managers
South San Antonio ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Managers of South San Antonio ISD was held Monday, October 19, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM in the ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 5622 Ray Ellison Blvd. San Antonio, Texas 78242.

CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARE QUORUM

Managers	Present	Absent	Late Arrival/Departed Early
Raymond Tijerina	X		
Karla Gomez Sanchez	X		
Darrell Balderrama	X		
Aurelina Prado	X		
Jesus Rendon III	X		
Adrian Guerra	X		
Dr. Kelly Murguia	X		

Led by Michelle Martinez, Senior Executive Assistant
•PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
•PLEDGE TO THE TEXAS FLAG
Led by Students
•PRAYER
Led by Alexis LaFosse, Director of Communications

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

None

TEA REMARKS

Diana Sayavedra, TEA: Thank you so much Board President Tijerina, Superintendent Hinojosa and the rest of the Board of Managers. I will be very brief. I know that this evening, you're going to hear a lot information associated with assessment data. The staff has been really working hard to analyze the data. I think what you'll hear from Dr. Gutierrez is that the district has really focused is supporting campus administration and teachers with lesson internalization as they navigate the curriculum, plan lessons and really work to deliver high quality instruction so they remain focused on responding to the data which is important. It's not only important to assess but its also important to respond. I see active and very meaningful actions by the staff to respond to the data. I also want to commend the Board of Managers. There was a very productive Team of 8 training last week in which we all attended together. I know that the Board reflected a lot on the progress that they made working together as a Team of 8 to support the Superintendent but also to support the work of the school district. I think as you worked with your Lone Star Governance Coach and you worked through the rubric, there was a consensus among the Board that we are pretty much at meets focus and we have set goals to continue to improve the function of the board. I think that what was really important was that the Board also discussed how they will engage the community going forward. So really next steps were to kind of plan a community engagement calendar to really talk about how to present board goals and the progress that the district and Board has made since the intervention began and then to solicit feedback from the community so that the community can be part of the process and again so that the community has a higher level of engagement and a voice in the future of the school district. So, I just want to commend the board, commend the staff for the actions that I've observed over the course of the month of October. Thank you so much.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REMARKS (NO ACTION / REPORT ONLY)

Dr. Saul Hinojosa, Superintendent of Schools, addressed the Board and audience regarding NIET visiting a few weeks ago. He stated that the 2 students here tonight served on the panel and discussed their education in the district. She said we have really talented students here. He stated he saw one of the dads who he taught and coached. He congratulated the parents of those successful student. He informed that early voting started today and said that the future is on the ballot. He stated that he has been going around the district telling a story of how many of our schools have roof leaks and AC issues and this is an opportunity to do something about it. He stated that we are asking the voters to approve Proposition A which will keep taxes what they currently are and bring an addition 3-5 million dollars to the district to address these issues. He stated he voted this morning at Cortez library and encouraged the community to use their constitutional right to also vote. He stated we sold some buses, generating $32,000. He informed that we have a softball scoreboard that will be funded by businesses and commercials that will generate funds for the district. He stated that this Saturday is a Parent Symposium at Dwight MS for parents to learn about health services and how to support their children. He stated that attendance is a big focus for us and several campuses have done a good job. He informed that the Board and he went to a conference and they were congratulated on the success of South San as well as other districts. He said that TEA will be coming out to see our growth in our student academic outcomes. He acknowledged the Principals in observance of Principals Month.

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

None

RECOGNITIONS

1. October Auxiliary Employee of the Month

   Alexis LaFosse, Director of Communications, was called to recognize students for their achievements.

2. Teacher of the Month

   Alexis LaFosse, Director of Communications, was called to recognize students for their achievements.

PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Report of the Board of Managers Continuing Education Credits (CEC) for 2025-2026

   Raymond Tijerina, Board President was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

2. Monitoring Student Progress: Unit Assessment Data Review

   Dr. Jennifer Gutierrez, Deputy Superintendent, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

3. Constraint Progress Monitoring: Educator Support

   Dr. Jennifer Gutierrez, Deputy Superintendent, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

   Dr. Murguia moved to accept the item as presented, Mrs. Sanchez seconded, and the Board of Managers voted 7/0. Motion passed.

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Raymond Tijerina	X		
Karla Gomez Sanchez	X		
Darrell Balderrama	X		
Aurelina Prado	X		
Jesus Rendon III	X		
Adrian Guerra	X		
Dr. Kelly Murguia	X		

4. Annual Emergent Bilingual Presentation

   Rocio Gutierrez-Ochoa, Bilingual Director, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

5. Efficiency Audit Report

   Leo Lopez, Moak-Casey CFO, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

6. 2026 September Financials

   Stanley Osborne, Chief Financial Officer, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

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.

1. Approve the Board Meeting Minutes

A. September 14, 2026 Special Called

B. September 21, 2026 Regular Called

2. Approval of breakfast and lunch meal price for staff and visitors
3. Approval of the renewal of AssetRemix Subscription for cloud-based IT Asset Management (ITAM) and Help Desk platform
4. Approval of the License Agreement renewal of Google Workspace for Education Plus
5. South San Antonio ISD Head Start Continuing Funding Application
6. Pearson Digital Assessment Library For Schools (DALS)
7. Campus Library Book Purchases
8. International Alliance Group, LLC, Master Service Agreement
9. Memorandum of Understanding with Texas State University Instructional Aide Pathway Program
10. Budget Amendment
11. Purchasing Threshold Update
12. Investment Advisory Agreement
13. CDA Local Policy Update

Mr. Guerra moved to approve the consent agenda items 1 – 13 as presented, Mr. Rendon seconded and the Board of Managers voted 7/0 to approve the item as presented. Motion passed.

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Raymond Tijerina	X		
Karla Gomez Sanchez	X		
Darrell Balderrama	X		
Aurelina Prado	X		
Jesus Rendon III	X		
Adrian Guerra	X		
Dr. Kelly Murguia	X		

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Resolution Authorizing Participation in the Connect Investment Trust

Stanley Osborne, Chief Financial Officer, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

Mrs. Prado moved to approve the item as presented, Mrs. Sanchez seconded, and the Board of Managers voted 7/0. Motion passed.

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Raymond Tijerina	X		
Karla Gomez Sanchez	X		
Darrell Balderrama	X		
Aurelina Prado	X		
Jesus Rendon III	X		
Adrian Guerra	X		
Dr. Kelly Murguia	X		

CLOSED / EXECUTIVE SESSION

N*OTICE: 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**

1. Personnel §551.074: deliberation on the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of personnel, including recommendation of contract renewal, staffing issues, campus principals and district administrators.
2. Pursuant to Texas Government Code sections 551.074 and 551.071 Discussion and Legal Consultation Regarding Term and/or Probationary Contract Employee(s) and Possible Sanctions for Contract Abandonment Pursuant to Section 21.210 of the Education Code.

Start time: 7:56 PM.
End time: 8:50 PM.

OPEN SESSION

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

Mr. Balerrama made a motion: I'd like to motion that we move that we find that there is no good cause for the contract abandonment by Vanessa Singh and authorize the administration to report this employee to the state board of to the State Board for Educator Certification in accordance with district policy, Mr. Guerra seconded, and the Board of Managers voted 7/0. Motion passed.

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Raymond Tijerina	X		
Karla Gomez Sanchez	X		
Darrell Balderrama	X		
Aurelina Prado	X		
Jesus Rendon III	X		
Adrian Guerra	X		
Dr. Kelly Murguia	X		

2. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Term and/ or Probationary Contract Employee(s) and Possible Sanctions for Contract Abandonment Pursuant to Section 21.210 of the Education Code.

Mr. Balderrama made a motion: I'd like to also move that we find that there is no good cause for the contract abandonment by Nadia Dominguez and authorize the administration to report this employee to the State Board for Educator Certification in accordance with district policy, Mrs. Sanchez seconded, and the Board of Managers voted 6/1. Motion passed.

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Raymond Tijerina	X		
Karla Gomez Sanchez	X		
Darrell Balderrama	X		
Aurelina Prado	X		
Jesus Rendon III		X	
Adrian Guerra	X		
Dr. Kelly Murguia	X		

Mr. Balderrama made a motion: I'd like to move make a motion that we move that we find that there is no good cause for the contract abandonment by Victoria Ortiz and authorize the administration to report this employee to the State Board for Educator Certification in accordance with district policy, Mrs. Sanchez seconded, and the Board of Managers voted 7/0. Motion passed.

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Raymond Tijerina	X		
Karla Gomez Sanchez	X		
Darrell Balderrama	X		

Aurelina Prado	X		
Jesus Rendon III	X		
Adrian Guerra	X		
Dr. Kelly Murguia	X		

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Murguia moved to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Balderrama seconded, and the Board of Managers voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 PM.

ATTEST

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Raymond Tijerina, Board President Darrell Balderrama, Board Secretary

NOTICE: This meeting of the Board of Managers 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, will be conducted prior to the conclusion of the meeting for any item listed on this agenda.