

Sonora ISD
Regular Meeting
Monday, August 11, 2025 5:30 PM Central

Sonora ISD Administration
404 E 1st Street
Sonora, Texas 76950

1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM.

2. Establish Quorum

Present:

Tai Araujo
Colby Bates
Shanna Castro
John Jones (arrived during item #9)
Mason Martinez (arrived during item #8)
Brenda Mungia
Cynthia Perez

3. School Officials Present

Michael Kissire, Superintendent
Heather Cearley
Maricella De Luna
Karen Evans
Katie Ruiz
Greta Ramsdell
Christina Rodriguez

Others Present:

Anna Hickman
Leticia Martinez
Bethany Aguero
Angie Bryant

4. Invocation

Michael Kissire gave the invocation.

5. Comments from Visitors

None.

6. Consent Agenda

6.A. Tax Assessor/Collector Report

6.B. Approve Minutes of 7/28/2025

6.C. Approve Adjunct Faculty Agreement with 4-H for 2025-2026

Colby Bates made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda as presented. Brenda Mungia seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

7. Business Manager's Report

Report was reviewed. No questions.

8. Discuss and Consider Cafeteria Price Increases

Food prices mandate an increase in cafeteria prices. Price only increases for adult staff and visitors which is also part of the Federal Child Nutrition Program. Breakfast increased by \$0.20 and lunch by \$0.25. Brenda Mungia made a motion to approve the lunch and breakfast prices as presented for the 2025-2026 school year. Tai Araujo seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

9. Discuss and Consider Approval of Budget Amendment

The budget has to be amended for payment towards the Chromebook lease, paving of stadium and field house parking lots and land purchase. Cynthia Perez made a motion to approve budget amendment Fund 199 #1 as presented. Colby Bates seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

10. Review 2025-2026 Employee and Student Handbooks

The handbooks are presented to board annually for review. No action.

11. Review 2025-2026 Extracurricular Code of Conduct and Guidelines and Band Handbook

Extracurricular and Band handbooks were presented for review. There were no changes from last year. No action.

12. Review and Consider Approval of the 2025-2026 Student Code of Conduct

Mr. Kissire reviewed changes made to Student Code of Conduct. Colby Bates made a motion to approve the Student Code of Conduct as discussed. John Jones seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

13. Report on Teaching Assignments Outside of Certification Areas

Principals, Heather Cearley and Christina Rodriguez, gave a report on all teachers teaching outside of their certification areas.

14. Discuss and Consider the District's Property Values and the Funding Summary

Mr. Kissire went over property values and funding summary report provided by the Sutton County Appraisal District.

15. Discuss and Consider Action to Approve an Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit (Option 3 Agreement) and to Delegate Contractual Authority to the Superintendent

The board must delegate authority for Chapter 49 contracts to the superintendent. Mason Martinez made a motion for the 2025-2026 school year, the Board of Trustees delegates contractual authority to obligate Sonora ISD under Texas Education Code (TEC) §11.1511(c)(4) to the superintendent, solely for the purpose of obligating the district under TEC, §48.257 and TEC, Chapter 49, Subchapters A and D, and the rules adopted by the commissioner of education as authorized under TEC, §49.006. This includes approval of the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit or the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit (Netting Chapter 48 Funding). John Jones seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

16. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Kissire informed the board that construction progress at the secondary campus is coming along.

Restrooms at the Elementary are tiled and installed.

Gallagher did a walk through earlier today and will be here all week.

Next special board meeting for budget adoption will take place on Monday August 25th.

The board took a small break at 6:04 PM and entered into closed session at 6:09 PM.

17. Closed Session - Gov't Code 551.074

Personnel Matters - 551.074. employment, assignment, reassignment, resignation, termination, non-renewal, and related issues; 551.072 Deliberations about Real Property; 551.076 Discussion regarding Resolution Claiming Good Cause Exception and Establishing Alternative Standard pursuant to Tex. Edu. Code Section 37.0814

The board reconvened into open session at 6:44 PM.

18. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Resolution Claiming Good Cause Exception and Establishing Alternative Standard Pursuant to Tex. Edu. Code Section 37.0814

Colby Bates made a motion to approve the resolution claiming good cause exception and establishing alternative standard pursuant to Tex. Edu. Code section 37.0814. Mason Martinez seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

19. Discuss and Consider Approval of School Guardians for the 2025-2026 School Year

Mason Martinez made a motion to approve the school guardians for the 2025-2026 school year as presented. Colby Bates seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

20. Take Action on Any Items Considered in Closed Session

Brenda Mungia made a motion to update the superintendent contract as discussed in closed session and authorize the board president to sign. Colby Bates seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Mason Martinez made a motion to authorize the superintendent to enter into and sign a commercial contract improved property for a real estate purchase on behalf of Sonora ISD as discussed in closed session. John Jones seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Colby Bates made a motion to authorize the superintendent to enter into and sign a contract to conduct an ESA phase 1 with SKG Engineering on behalf of Sonora ISD as discussed in closed session. Brenda Mungia seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

21. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 PM.

ATTEST:

Shanna Castro, President

Cynthia Perez, Secretary