# Regular Meeting

Wednesday, October 9, 2024 5:30 PM SEISD Administration Office, 1050 Chicken Ranch Road, San Elizario, TX 79849

## 1. GENERAL FUNCTIONS

- 1.A. Call Meeting to Order
- 1.B. Roll Call

The following Board of Trustees were present:

Mr. Eduardo Chavez, Board President

Mr. Lorenzo Luevano, Board Trustee

Ms. Monica Chavez, Board Trustee

Ms. Guadalupe Caro, Board Trustee

The following Board of Trustees were absent:

Ms. Myrna Hernandez, Board Vice-President

Ms. Sandra Licon, Board Secretary

Mr. Axel Lopez, Board Trustee

Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez, Superintendent, was also in attendance.

Ms. Myrna Hernandez arrived at the meeting at  $7:20~\mathrm{p.m.}$ 

- 1.C. Establish Quorum
- 1.D. The Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.E. Texas Pledge of Allegiance

## 1.F. San Elizario ISD Mission Statement

The mission of the San Elizario Independent School District is to graduate students with innovative skills for 21st-century careers by focusing on academic and social skills, fostering transformative practices, and building community support through positive relationships between home and school.

- OPEN FORUM (five-minute limit per speaker, unless otherwise noted)
- 3. DISTRICT RECOGNITIONS
  - 3.A. Perfect Attendance since 3rd Grade Matilde Arroyos, San Elizario High School Senior

Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez and Mr. Eduardo Chavez recognized Miss Matilde Arroyos and her Mother Ms. Adriana Rojas for their Perfect Attendance Achievement

- 3.B. MASBA Recognitions
  - 3.B.1. 2024 MASBA Cultural Initiative Award - Abuelita's Kitchen - Ms. Aggie Reyes and Child Nutrition Services Team
    - Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez and Ms. Blanca Cruz recognized Ms. Aggie Reyes and the Child Nutrition Services Team for their achievement.
  - 3.B.2. 2024 MASBA Literacy Initiative Award - Literary Anthology - Ms. Anna Alvarez and Ms. Georgina Diaz
    - Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez and Ms. Blanca Cruz recognized Ms. Anna Alvarez and Ms. Georgina Diaz for their achievement.
  - 3.B.3. 2024 MASBA STEM Initiative Award STEM Tank Ms. Deborah Cortez
    - Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez and Ms. Blanca Cruz recognized Ms. Deborah Cortez for her achievement.
- 3.C. October is Principal's Month
  - Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez and Ms. Blanca Cruz recognized all Principals for their continued efforts.
- 3.D. Texas Education Human Resources Day
  - Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez and Ms. Blanca Cruz recognized the San Elizario ISD Human Resources Team.
- 3.E. Recognition of National School Lunch Week
  - Ms. Aggie Reyes introduced student Isaiah Lopez, who read the National School Lunch Week Proclamation
- 3.F. Purple Star Campus Designation Award SY 2024 - 2025
  - Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez recognized all personnel who have helped campuses attain the 2024-2025 Purple Star Campus Designation Award.
  - 3.F.1. Lorenzo G. Loya Primary School Ms. Sylvia Graves, Military-Connected
     Liaison
  - 3.F.2. Josefa L. Sambrano Elementary School - Ms. Rosa Correa, Military-Connected Liaison
  - 3.F.3. Alfonso Borrego Sr. Elementary School - Ms. Sandra Verdier, Military-Connected Liaison

- 3.F.4. San Elizario High School Ms. Nora Almanzar, Military-Connected Liaison
- 3.F.5. Purple Star Campus Designation Support Personnel
  - 3.F.5.a. Mr. Horacio Hernandez, Executive Director Technology Ms. Perla Magallon, IT Specialist Ms. Flor Sanchez, District Parent Liaison
- 3.G. Introduction of New Employees

Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez and Ms. Blanca Cruz introduced new San Elizario Independent School District Employees.

- 3.G.1. Assistant Principal at San Elizario High School Ms. Laura Silva
- 3.G.2. Assistant Principal at San Elizario High School Ms. Valerie Chavez
- 3.G.3. Principal at Lorenzo G. Alarcon Elementary School Ms. Monika Ruiz
- 3.G.4. Executive Director of Human Resources Ms. Gina Ramirez
- 4. NEW BUSINESS / BOARD ACTION ITEMS
  - 4.A. Book Study Discussion on: The Governance Core
    - 4.A.1. Chapter 5: Governing with Coherence

The Board of Trustees and Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez discussed and provided a quote from Chapter 5 of *The Governance Core*.

4.A.2. Chapter 6: Governance Culture

The Board of Trustees and Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez discussed and provided a quote from Chapter 6 of *The Governance Core*.

4.B. Discussion and possible board action to schedule MoakCasey Strategic Plan Meetings

Motion to schedule the next MoakCasey Strategic Plan on Tuesday, November 12, 2024. This motion, made by Guadalupe Caro and seconded by Monica Chavez, Passed.

Guadalupe Caro: Yea
Eduardo Chavez: Yea
Monica Chavez: Yea
Myrna Hernandez: Absent
Sandra Licon: Absent
Axel Lopez: Absent
Lorenzo Luevano: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 3

- 4.B.1. Select a Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2024 Wednesday, November 13, 2024 Wednesday, November 20, 2024
- 4.C. Health Fund Update
  - Mr. Norberto Rivas presented the Health Fund Update.
- 4.D. Public Hearing on the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) 2023-2024 Rating
  - Mr. Norberto Rivas presented the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) 2023-2024 Rating.
  - Mr. Norberto Rivas opened the floor for public comment.

No public comment.

- 4.D.1. Powerpoint Presentation
- 4.E. Discussion and possible Board action regarding Campus Grade Levels
  - Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez and Ms. Blanca Cruz asked for guidance from the Board of Trustees regarding Campus Grade Levels.
  - Mr. Eduardo Chavez stated he would like to be presented with options for moving Kindergarten to Loya Primary School.
  - Mr. Eduardo Chavez asked why there are more students in Borrego Elementary than in Alarcon Elementary.
  - Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez stated transfer students and employee students usually choose to enroll in Borrego Elementary School.
  - Mr. Norberto Rivas provided feedback on how the kindergarten move would affect Loya and Sambrano's students and staff.
  - Mr. Jesus Martinez provided options for new building accommodations to effectively accommodate current student enrollment.
  - Ms. Blanca Cruz provided feedback on 6th grade being moved to Ann M. Garcia-Enriquez Middle School due to new TEA math TEKS.
  - Mr. Eduardo Chavez asked for a proposal to move Kindergarten to Loya Primary and 6th grade to Garcia-Enriquez Middle School.

No more discussion.

No Action Taken.

4.F. Discussion and possible Board action regarding directing the administration to proceed with TRS Active Care

TRS Staff presented the TRS Active Care Presentation.

TRS Staff stated the district would need to let TRS know by December 31, 2024. TRS will come into effect on September 1, 2025.

Mr. Eduardo Chavez stated he would like the district to move to TRS due to the Health Fund constantly being in a deficit since he joined the Board.

Mr. Lorenzo Luevano stated he thinks is a good idea to go to TRS to provide a more affordable plan.

Mr. Guadalupe Caro stated some employees need training on how to use the benefits.

Motion to direct District Administration to proceed with TRS Active Care implementation for School Year 2025-2026 starting September 1, 2025. This motion, made by Mr. Lorenzo Luevano and seconded by Monica Chavez, Passed.

Guadalupe Caro: Yea
Eduardo Chavez: Yea
Monica Chavez: Yea
Myrna Hernandez: Yea
Sandra Licon: Absent
Axel Lopez: Absent
Lorenzo Luevano: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

5. **CONSENT AGENDA -** Consider and possible Board action on

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. This motion, made by Myrna Hernandez and seconded by Lorenzo Luevano, Passed.

Guadalupe Caro: Yea
Eduardo Chavez: Yea
Monica Chavez: Yea
Myrna Hernandez: Yea
Sandra Licon: Absent
Axel Lopez: Absent
Lorenzo Luevano: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

#### 5.A. Financial Reports

- 5.A.1. Tax Report
- 5.A.2. Financial Statements
- 5.A.3. Investment Report
- 5.A.4. Purchase Orders exceeding \$25,000.00
  - PO# 52025 TASB Risk Management Fund \$375,799.00
- 5.B. Consider and possible Board action to approve the final payment to AREDI Enterprises, LLC., for the repairs caused by water damage - PO# 51093
- 5.C. Consider and possible Board action to approve resolution to allow El Paso Central Appraisal District to act if the State Comptroller's Property Value Study places the district outside of the confidence level
- 5.D. Consider and possible Board action to approve the EPCC 2024-2027 Dual Credit Partnership Agreement
- 5.E. Consider and possible Board action to approve the THECB ApplyTexas Counselor Suite MOU
- 5.F. Consider and possible Board action to approve an Affiliation Agreement with Yeshiva University regarding the provision of Speech-Language Pathology experience for Yeshiva University students on designated district campuses and to authorize the Superintendent to execute the Affiliation Agreement, subject to final review by legal counsel.
- 5.G. Consider and possible Board action on Resolutions
  - 5.G.1. Texas Education Human Resources Day Resolution
  - 5.G.2. National School Lunch Week Resolution
- 5.H. Consider disposal of surplus property declared obsolete and unnecessary by Superintendent or her Designee, to include

disposal of broken furniture and technology equipment according to Administrative discretion and by any reasonable means.

- 5.H.1. Technology Department
- 5.H.2. Support Services Department
- 5.I. Consider approval of minutes for the
   following:
  - 5.I.1. September 17, 2024 Special Board Meeting
- 6. PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS / INFORMATION
  - 6.A. Presentations
    - 6.A.1. No Presentations
  - 6.B. Reports
    - 6.B.1. Bilingual/ESL Program Evaluation for School Year 2023-2024
    - 6.B.2. Gifted and Talented Program
      Evaluation for School Year 2023-2024
    - 6.B.3. Career and Technical Education Program Evaluation for School Year 2023-2024
    - 6.B.4. Meal Service Update
  - 6.C. Information
    - 6.C.1. Board Training
      - 6.C.1.a. Far West Texas School Boards Association Meetings
        - Saturday, November 16, 2024 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
        - Thursday, February 27, 2025 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm (Team of 8)
        - Tuesday, May 6, 2025 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm
        - Saturday, July 12, 2025 TBD
    - 6.C.2. Future-Ready Superintendents
       Leadership Network (FRSLN) October
       22-24, 2024 | San Elizario ISD visit Wednesday, October 23, 2024 at 8:00
       a.m.
    - 6.C.3. San Elizario High School Women's
       Conference: Entre Amigas No Estas
       Sola | Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at
       6:00 p.m.
- 7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board entered a closed meeting at  $\frac{7:33}{p.m.}$  to discuss personnel matters, to consult with attorney, to discuss real estate matters, to consider recommendations for hiring of personnel or termination of personnel and

other personnel matters under Sec. 551.071 and 551.074, Texas Gov. Code:

- 7.A. Discussion regarding Superintendent's evaluation date
- 7.B. Update on second lawsuit filed by various school districts to contest TEA A-F rating system and process
- 7.C. Consultation with Legal Counsel regarding Public Comment New Case Law
- 8. THE BOARD WILL RETURN TO OPEN SESSION TO TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board returned to open session at  $\underline{8:41}$   $\underline{p.m.}$  to take possible action on the matters discussed in Executive Session.

8.A. Discussion and possible Board action to approve date to conduct Superintendent's Annual Evaluation

Motion to conduct Superintendent's Annual Evaluation on November 19, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. This motion, made by Myrna Hernandez and seconded by Monica Chavez, Passed.

Guadalupe Caro: Yea
Eduardo Chavez: Yea
Monica Chavez: Yea
Myrna Hernandez: Yea
Sandra Licon: Absent
Axel Lopez: Absent
Lorenzo Luevano: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

8.B. Discussion and possible Board action to approve modifications to Board Policy BED(LOCAL) on a First and Final Reading and Board Operating Procedures

Item was tabled.

# 9. NEXT MEETING DATE:

Wednesday, October 30, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. - Special Board Meeting - Instructional Board Workshop Wednesday, November 13, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. - Regular Board Meeting

# $10. \ \mathbf{ADJOURNMENT}$

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m. This motion, made by Guadalupe Caro and seconded by Monica Chavez, Passed.

Guadalupe Caro: Yea
Eduardo Chavez: Yea
Monica Chavez: Yea
Myrna Hernandez: Yea
Sandra Licon: Absent
Axel Lopez: Absent
Lorenzo Luevano: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Board President

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Board Secretary