

Southwest Independent School District
Board of Trustees
Minutes of Regular Meeting
September 15, 2026
6:00 p.m.

I. Call meeting to order/Roll call

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President, Sylvester Vasquez Jr.

The following Trustees were present: *Florinda Bernal, Daniel Carrillo, Jose Diaz, James Gonzalez, James Sullivan, Ida Sudolcan, and Sylvester Vasquez Jr.*

The following Trustees was absent: *None*

II. Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance

Roger Campos gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

III. Recognitions

The following students were recognized as "Students of the Month" for their outstanding leadership and achievement; Johnathan Rodriguez of Big Country Elementary, Emiliano Arriaza of Bob Hope Elementary, Maddison Torres of McAuliffe Middle School, and Liliana Nerio of CAST STEM High School.

IV. Public general comments and/or comments related to posted agenda items.

There were no citizens signed up for public comments.

V. Consent Agenda

V.A. Review approval of minutes:

V.A.1. Regular meeting of August 18, 2026

V.A.2. Public hearing of August 27, 2026

V.A.3. Special meeting of August 27, 2026

V.B. Consider approval of overnight trips.

V.B.1. Special Olympics Texas Fall Classic 2026

V.B.2. SWHS & SW Legacy Cross Country UIL Regionals & State Meet

V.C. Board amendment

V.D. Consider approval of Onward Learning for the 2026-2027 school year.

V.E. Consider approval of a correction to 2026-2027 Student Code of Conduct.

V.F. Consider approval of district second appraisers for T-TESS2 for the 2026-2027 school year.

V.G. Consider approval of T-TESS2 appraiser for the 2026-2027 school year.

Board action: *Mrs. Sudolcan moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Carrillo seconded the motion. All members voted in favor; the motion carried.*

Sylvester Vasquez Jr.	YES
Ida Sudolcan	YES
Florinda Bernal	YES
James Sullivan Jr.	YES
Daniel Carrillo	YES
Jose Diaz	YES
James Gonzalez	YES

VI. Items of Information

VI.A. Construction update

No construction updates were presented at this meeting.

VI.B. Monthly tax report

Presented

VI.C. Monthly financial report

Presented

VI.D. Monthly investment report

Presented

VI.E. Report on gifts & bequests

Presented

VI.F. Enrollment report

Presented

VI.G. Review purchases over \$100,000

Presented

VI.H. State Assessment and Accountability Update

Executive Director for Assessment and Accountability, Lisa Bolte, presented.

VI.I. 2026-2027 Application for Maximum Class Size Exception for elementary schools.

Executive Director for Pupil Services, Mary Lou Hernandez, presented an amended report.

VI.J. First read TASB Board Policy update 127 for LOCAL policies BJCF, CAA, DC, DH, DP, DPA, DPB, EHBB, and FFF.

Assistant Superintendent for Administration and Human Resources, Frances Barcenez, presented.

VII. Administration & Human Resources

VII.A. Consider the approval of the certification of compliance to the prohibition of DEI activities.

Assistant Superintendent for Administration and Human Resources, Frances Barcenez, presented.

Board action: *Mr. Carrillo moved to approve the certification of compliance to the prohibition of DEI activities as presented. Mr. Diaz seconded the motion. All members voted in favor; the motion carried.*

Sylvester Vasquez Jr.	YES
Ida Sudolcan	YES
Florinda Bernal	YES
James Sullivan Jr.	YES
Daniel Carrillo	YES
Jose Diaz	YES
James Gonzalez	YES

VII.B. Consider the approval of the amendments to the District of Innovation Plan.

Administration and Human Resources Chief of Staff, Adrian Ramirez, presented an amended report.

Board action: *Mrs. Sudolcan moved to approve the amendments to the District of Innovation Plan as presented Tuesday evening. Mr. Carrillo seconded the motion. All members voted in favor; the motion carried.*

Sylvester Vasquez Jr.	YES
Ida Sudolcan	YES
Florinda Bernal	YES
James Sullivan Jr.	YES
Daniel Carrillo	YES
Jose Diaz	YES
James Gonzalez	YES

VIII. Business & Finance

VIII.A. Consider approval of amendments to the 2026-2027 Compensation Plan.

Board action: *Mr. Carrillo moved to approve the amendments to the 2026-2027 Compensation Plan as presented. Mrs. Sudolcan seconded the motion. All members voted in favor; the motion carried.*

Sylvester Vasquez Jr.	YES
Ida Sudolcan	YES
Florinda Bernal	YES
James Sullivan Jr.	YES
Daniel Carrillo	YES
Jose Diaz	YES
James Gonzalez	YES

IX. Curriculum & Instruction

No items under this section.

X. Special Programs

No items under this section.

XI. Closed session

As permitted by Sections, 551.001-551.146 of the Texas Government Code (the Open Meetings Law).

Vice President Sudolcan announced as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.001-551.146, the Board would convene in closed session at 6:51 p.m.

XI.A. Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.074, discussion on personnel and administrator employment, resignations, reassignments, leaves of absence, contract renewals.

XII. Reconvene from closed session for action relative to items considered during closed session.

The Board reconvened in open session at 7:33 p.m. and took the following action:

XII.A. Superintendent's recommendations on personnel and administrator employment, resignations, reassignments, leaves of absence, contract renewals

Board action: *Mrs. Sudolcan moved to approve the superintendent's recommendations on personnel and administrator employment, resignations, reassignments, leaves of absence, and contract renewals as discussed in closed session. Mrs. Bernal seconded the motion. All members voted in favor; the motion carried.*

Sylvester Vasquez Jr.	YES
Ida Sudolcan	YES
Florinda Bernal	YES
James Sullivan Jr.	YES
Daniel Carrillo	YES
Jose Diaz	YES
James Gonzalez	YES

XIII. Other business

Acting Superintendent, Mr. Crisp, shared information on upcoming district events, the Bexar County Education Coalition Summit, TASA/TASB txEDCON conference in Houston Texas, and the October 12th school holiday.

XIV. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Presiding Officer

Secretary