

Southwest Independent School District
Board of Trustees
Minutes of Regular Meeting
February 17, 2026
6:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Southwest ISD was held Tuesday, February 17, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Central Office Building No. 400, 11914 Dragon Lane, San Antonio, TX.

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

The following Trustees were absent: *None*

I. Call meeting to order

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

II. Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance

Daniel Barcenez gave the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

III. Recognitions

The following Southwest ISD students were recognized as students of the month for their outstanding leadership and achievements: Sophia Da'vera of Medio Creek Elementary, Analu Saldana of McAuliffe Middle School, and Kylie Sanchez of Southwest High School.

Rising Star Attendance recognitions went to Nestor Sanchez of Hidden Cove STEAM Academy, Maddison Garza of Spicewood Park Elementary, and Paola Ramos Campos of McAuliffe Middle School.

A special recognition went to Southwest High School student, Brian Vera, for his contributions on the Unified Sports Basketball team.

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

Stephanie Vera addressed the Board on her appreciation and gratitude for their support of the Unified Sports at Southwest ISD.

V. Consent Agenda

V.A. Review approval of minutes:

V.A.1. Regular minutes of January 20, 2026

V.B. Consider approval of overnight trips.

V.B.1. Southwest High School BPA (CTE) 2025-2026 Overnight Trip to Dallas, Texas

V.B.2. Southwest High School HOSA (CTE) 2025-2026 Overnight Trip to Corpus Christi, Texas

V.B.3. Southwest Legacy High School JROTC 2025-2026 Overnight Trip to Dallas, Texas

V.B.4. Southwest High School Overnight to Bloomington, Indiana for International Thespian Society National Qualifiers.

V.B.5. Southwest Legacy High School Overnight to Bloomington, Indiana for International Thespian Society National Qualifier.

V.B.6. DragonFire Dance Nationals Trip to Galveston, Texas.

V.C. Board amendment

V.D. Consider approval of T-TESS appraiser for the 2025-2026 school year.

V.E. Consider approval of a district second appraiser for T-TESS for the 2025-2026 school year.

V.F. Consider Approval of Updated House Bill 3 Board Goals

V.G. Consider approval of the contract with Coleman, Horton, & Company, LLP for audit services.

Board action: *Mr. Sullivan moved to approve the consent agenda 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

VI. Items of Information

VI.A. Construction update: *Updates presented on Southwest Elementary, Kriewald School of the Arts, Elm Creek Elementary, Alvarado Elementary, and Southwest Legacy High School.*

VI.B. Monthly tax report

VI.C. Monthly financial report

VI.D. Monthly investment report

VI.E. Report on gifts & bequests

VI.F. Enrollment report

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

VI.H. Required Resolution for Senate Bill 11

Assistant Superintendent, Frances Barcenez presented.

VI.I. Student Dress Code

Assistant Superintendent, Frances Barcenez presented.

VI.J. Review of Strategic Priorities and Goals
Assistant Superintendent, Frances Barcenez presented.

VI.K. LASO 4 LIFT Grants
Assistant Superintendent, Dalila Garcia presented.

VII. Administration & Human Resources

VII.A. Consider the approval of the resolution of the action for Senate Bill 11.
Assistant Superintendent, Frances Barcenez presented.

Board action: *Mrs. Sudolcan moved to reject the Senate Bill 11 Resolution as presented. Mr. Carrillo seconded the motion. Mr. Vasquez, Mrs. Sudolcan, Mrs. Bernal, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Carrillo, Mr. Diaz, and Mr. Gonzalez all voted in favor; the motion was 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 the 2024-2025 District Financial Audit.
Derek Walker, CPA, Coleman, Horton & Company, LLP, presented.

Board action: *Mr. Carrillo moved to approve the 2024-2025 district financial audit as presented. 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

VIII.B. Consider approval of classroom furniture and equipment for multiple campuses.
Thomas Krueger, Director for Facilities and Maintenance, presented.

Board action: *Mrs. Sudolcan moved to approve the purchase of new classroom furniture for multiple district campuses as presented. 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

VIII.C. Consider approval of change order #2 for the construction material testing contract at Juan Alvarado Elementary.

Thomas Krueger, Director for Facilities and Maintenance, presented.

Board action: *Mr. Carrillo moved to approve change order #2 for construction material testing contract to Juan Alvarado Elementary as presented. 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

VIII.D. Consider approval of the re-roofing project at Spicewood Park Elementary and Sun Valley Elementary.

Thomas Krueger, Director for Facilities and Maintenance, presented.

Board action: *Mr. Carrillo moved to approve the re-roofing project at Spicewood Park Elementary and Sun Valley Elementary 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

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).

President Vasquez announced as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.001-551.146 the Board would convene in closed session at 7:27 p.m.

Board President, Sylvester Vasquez Jr., left the meeting.

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

XI.B. Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 and 551.0821, deliberation and consultation with school attorney regarding pending litigation *Student v. Southwest Independent School District*, Before a Special Education Hearing Officer for the State of Texas; TEA Docket No. 214-SE-0126, SOAH Docket no. 701-26-10617.IDEA.

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

The board reconvened into open session at 8:06 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. Bernal moved to approve the Superintendent's recommendation on personnel and administrator employment, resignations, reassignments, leaves of absence, and contract renewals as discussed in closed session. Mr. Diaz seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor; the motion carried.*

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

XII.B. Consideration and possible action concerning pending litigation *Student v. Southwest Independent School District*, Before a Special Education Hearing Officer for the State of Texas; TEA Docket No. 214-SE-0126; SOAH Docket No. 701-26-10617.IDEA.

Board action: *Mr. Carrillo moved to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and the school's attorney and direct the Superintendent and the school's attorney to proceed as discussed in closed session concerning Student v. Southwest Independent School District, Before a Special Education Hearing Officer for the State of Texas; TEA Docket Nol 214-SE-*

0126; SOAH Docket No. 701-26-10617.IDEA. Mr. Gonzalez seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor; the motion carried.

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

XIII. Other business

Superintendent, Dr. Ball, announced that Deacon Larry would be providing services for Ash Wednesday. Dr. Ball provided information on upcoming district events.

XIV. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Presiding Officer

Secretary