

**STATE OF TEXAS**

**(Minutes conducted via electronic voting)**

**COUNTY OF CAMERON**

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that on the **9th day of June, 2026**, the Board of Trustees of the Brownsville Independent School District met in a **Special Called Board Meeting** at the Administration Building, 1900 Price Road, Brownsville, Texas, for the purpose of transacting any and all business that came before the Board and with the following to wit:

**PRESENT:**

Daniella Lopez Valdez	President
Frank Ortiz	Vice-President
Minerva Pena	Secretary
Carlos Elizondo	Board Member (Via Zoom)
Denise Garza	Member
Jessica Gonzalez	Member
Neida Ruth Grantland	Member

**ABSENT:**

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Dr. Alda T. Benavides	Interim Superintendent of Schools
Eden Ramirez	Andie Vela/Eden Ramirez/Attorney for the Board

**ALSO ABSENT:**

**WHEREUPON**, a quorum being present and it appearing before the Board, it is hereby so found that notice of this **Special Called Board Meeting** has been duly given in the manner and for the length of time as prescribed by law. The meeting was called to order and declared ready for the transaction of business with the following to wit:

- I. Special Called Board Meeting called to order by Daniella Lopez Valdez, Board President at 5:30 p.m.**
- II. Moment of Silence led by Daniella Lopez Valdez, Board President.**
- III. Pledge of Allegiance led by Daniella Lopez Valdez, Board President.**
- IV. Roll Call. Daniella Lopez Valdez, Board President announced that all Trustees were present and Mr. Elizondo will join Via Zoom**
- V. Recommend approving the agenda of the Special Called Board Meeting of Tuesday, June 9, 2026, with any corrections/deletions.**

**Motion made by Jessica Gonzalez, seconded by Neida Ruth Grantland, and unanimously carried to recommend approving the agenda of the Special Called Board Meeting of Tuesday, June 9, 2026 with no corrections as stated by administration. (6-0-0)**

**VI. Recommend approving the minutes with any corrections:**

- A. Hearing #001/25-26 (V.C.) of Tuesday, April 28, 2026
- B. Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, May 5, 2026

**Motion made by Jessica Gonzalez, seconded by Denise Garza, and unanimously carried to recommend approving the minutes of the Hearing #001/25-26 (V.C.) of Tuesday, April 28, 2026 and Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, May 5, 2026, with no corrections, as stated by administration. (6-0-0)**

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**No Public Speakers signed up for Public Comment period**

**The Board may deliberate or take action regarding the following agenda items.**

**Board policy BE (Local) and Roberts Rules limits debate to two opportunities. A Trustee may debate a motion for three minutes on the first speaking opportunity and two minutes on the second opportunity.**

*Dr. Alda T. Benavides, Interim Superintendent left meeting at 5:33 p.m.*

**VIII. CLOSED MEETING: as pursuant to the Texas Government Code Sections: 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.082, and 551.084. 5:33 p.m.**

**IX. PERSONNEL MATTERS:**

*Mr. Carlos Elizondo arrived at 5:53 p.m.*

**A. Personnel Update with Interim Superintendent (Dr. Alda T. Benavides)**

- 1. Discussion of Middle School Principal Interviews.

**X. SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH:**

**A. Attorney Consultation - Discussion with legal counsel on matters related to Superintendent Search.**

- 1. Conduct Superintendent Interviews – Second Round Interviews.

**XI. BOARD RECONVENES - Board action on agenda items discussed in Executive Session. 11:41 p.m.**

**X.A. 1 Discussion and possible action to name Lone Finalist for Position of Superintendent.**

**No action taken**

**XII. Adjournment.**

**Motion was made by Carlos Elizondo, seconded by Minerva Pena, and unanimously carried to approve to adjourn the Special Called Board Meeting at 11:41 p.m. (7-0-0)**

➤ **There being no further business appearing before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.**

**(HANDOUTS ADDED TO OFFICIAL MINUTES)**

**(AUDIO/VIDEO TAPES OF THE OPEN MEETING AND THE WRITTEN CERTIFIED AGENDA  
OF THE CLOSED MEETING ARE ON FILE)**

**Approved by:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Daniella Lopez Valdez, President of the Board**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date**

**Attested by:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Minerva Pena, Secretary of the Board**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date**

**Notes: Font style designation**

Board of Trustees

**Administration**

*Board Attorney*

***Staff Attorney***

Speaker/Presenter

**(Minutes presented at Rescheduled Regular Board Meeting of June 24, 2026)**