

## Special Meeting - Budget Adoption

Wednesday, June 18, 2025 5:30 PM

SEISD Administration Office, 1050 Chicken Ranch Road, San Elizario, TX 79849

### 1. GENERAL FUNCTIONS

#### 1.A. Call Meeting to Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

#### 1.B. Roll Call

The following Board of Trustees were present:

Mr. Eduardo Chavez, Board President  
Ms. Myrna Hernandez, Board Vice-President  
Ms. Sandra Licon, Board Secretary  
Ms. Monica Chavez, Board Trustee  
Mr. Lorenzo Luevano, Board Trustee  
Mr. Axel Lopez, Board Trustee  
Ms. Alexis Tellez, Board Trustee

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

#### 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.

### 2. OPEN FORUM (three-minute limit per speaker, unless otherwise noted)

### 3. DISTRICT RECOGNITIONS

### 4. NEW BUSINESS / BOARD ACTION ITEMS

#### 4.A. Discussion and possible Board action on approval of Salaries and Stipends for Teachers and Employees for the 2025-2026 School Year

Ms. Gina Ramirez presented the Salaries and Stipends for Teachers and Employees for the 2025-2026 School Year.

Mr. Lorenzo Luevano stated he would like to see if there is a possibility to give out stipends instead of raises to district employees with House Bill 2.

Ms. Gina Ramirez and Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez stated that it will be proposed once more guidance is provided.

Motion to approve Salaries and Stipends for Teachers and Employees for the 2025-2026 School Year. This motion made by Myrna Hernandez and seconded by Monica Chavez, Passed.

Eduardo Chavez:	Yea
Monica Chavez:	Yea
Myrna Hernandez:	Yea
Sandra Licon:	Yea
Axel Lopez:	Yea
Lorenzo Luevano:	Yea
Alexis Tellez:	Yea
Yea:	7, Nay: 0

4.B. Discussion of changes and/or impact to local, state, and federal funding in accordance with the School FIRST Rating Indicator #20

Ms. Elizabeth Perez included this item within Item 4.C. presentation.

4.C. Discussion on Proposed Budget and Proposed Tax Rate for the 2025-2026 School Year

Ms. Elizabeth Perez presented the Proposed Budget and Proposed Tax Rate for the 2025-2026 School Year.

Mr. Eduardo Chavez stated the district might need to come up with a plan to increase the tax rate and possible building consolidation.

Mr. Eduardo Chavez asked when will House Bill 2 be implemented.

Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez stated administration is waiting on further guidance to comply with House Bill 2 fund disbursement.

4.C.1. Handout #1

4.D. Public Hearing on Proposed Budget and  
Proposed Tax Rate for the 2025-2026 School  
Year.

Ms. Elizabeth Perez opened the floor for  
Public Comment.

No Public Comment.

4.E. Discussion and possible Board action on  
adoption of Accelerated Instruction Budget  
for the 2025-2026 School Year

Ms. Elizabeth Perez presented the  
Accelerated Instruction Budget for the  
2025-2026 School Year.

Motion to approve adoption of Accelerated  
Instruction Budget for the 2025-2026 School  
Year. This motion, made by Sandra Licon and  
seconded by Lorenzo Luevano, Passed.

Eduardo Chavez:	Yea
Monica Chavez:	Yea
Myrna Hernandez:	Yea
Sandra Licon:	Yea
Axel Lopez:	Yea
Lorenzo Luevano:	Yea
Alexis Tellez:	Yea
Yea:	7, Nay: 0

4.F. Discussion and possible Board action on  
the adoption of the Official Budget for the  
2025-2026 School Year

Motion to approve adoption of the Official  
Budget for the 2025-2026 School Year. This  
motion, made by Myrna Hernandez and  
seconded by Axel Lopez, Passed.

Eduardo Chavez:	Yea
Monica Chavez:	Yea
Myrna Hernandez:	Yea
Sandra Licon:	Yea
Axel Lopez:	Yea
Lorenzo Luevano:	Yea
Alexis Tellez:	Yea
Yea:	7, Nay: 0

4.G. Discussion and possible Board action  
regarding SB 401

Mr. Cesar Morales presented the

administrative recommendations for SB 401.

Mr. Eduardo Chavez stated district should encourage students attend school and sports is one of the options the district has to encourage enrollment.

Motion to adopt revised policies FD(LOCAL) and FM(LOCAL) to opt out of SB401. This motion, made by Sandra Licon and seconded by Lorenzo Luevano, Passed.

Eduardo Chavez: Yea  
Monica Chavez: Yea  
Myrna Hernandez: Yea  
Sandra Licon: Yea  
Axel Lopez: Yea  
Lorenzo Luevano: Yea  
Alexis Tellez: Yea  
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

4.H. Discussion and possible Board action on Board of Trustees Book Study - Start with Why by Simon Sinek

Mr. Lorenzo Luevano provided information on the Book Study - Start with Why by Simon Sinek

Motion to approve Board of Trustees to engage in Book Study - Start with Why by Simon Sinek in a voluntary basis. This motion, made by Sandra Licon and seconded by Myrna Hernandez, Passed.

Eduardo Chavez: Yea  
Monica Chavez: Yea  
Myrna Hernandez: Yea  
Sandra Licon: Yea  
Axel Lopez: Yea  
Lorenzo Luevano: Yea  
Alexis Tellez: Yea  
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

4.I. Discussion on Annual Review of the Board Operating Procedures

Dr. Jeannie Meza-Chavez provided information on the current Board Operating Procedures.

No Action

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

Mr. Eduardo Chavez asked for Item 5B to be presented.

Motion to approve the consent agenda, with the exception of item 5B. This motion, made by Myrna Hernandez and seconded by Axel Lopez, Passed.

Eduardo Chavez: Yea  
Monica Chavez: Yea  
Myrna Hernandez: Yea  
Sandra Licon: Yea  
Axel Lopez: Yea  
Lorenzo Luevano: Yea  
Alexis Tellez: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

5.A. Consider and possible Board action to approve the Employee Appreciation Resolution for the purchase of employee retention items and activities for the 2025-2026 School Year

5.B. Consider and possible Board action to approve Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals for Voluntary Fully Insured, Vision and Disability Benefits (RFCSP# 25-1167)

Ms. Elizabeth Perez presented the Proposals for Voluntary Fully Insured, Vision and Disability Benefits.

Motion to approve the administrative recommendation to award the Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals for Voluntary Fully Insured, Vision and Disability Benefits (RFCSP# 25-1167) to the following: Versant Health (Superior Vision) for voluntary vision insurance and The Standard for voluntary disability insurance. This motion, made Sandra Licon and seconded by Myrna Hernandez, Passed.

Eduardo Chavez: Yea  
Monica Chavez: Yea  
Myrna Hernandez: Yea  
Sandra Licon: Yea  
Axel Lopez: Yea  
Lorenzo Luevano: Yea  
Alexis Tellez: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

- 5.C. Consider and possible Board action to approve the Specialist - Nutrition Services Support Pay Scale Revision

**6. PRESENTATION / REPORTS / INFORMATION**

6.A. Presentations

6.B. Reports

6.C. Information

6.C.1. Public notice of federal grant application for fiscal year 2026

6.C.2. Federally funded positions for the 2025-2026 School Year

6.C.3. Board Training

6.C.3.a. Far West Texas School Boards Association Meetings

- Saturday, July 12, 2025 - TBD

6.C.3.b. TASA | TASB Convention  
txEDCON25 - September 11 to 14, 2025  
| Houston, TX

6.C.3.c. 2025 MASBA Conference -  
October 2 to 3, 2025 | San Antonio,  
TX

6.C.3.d. NSBA 2026 - April 10 to 12,  
2026 | San Antonio, TX

**7. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board entered a closed meeting at 6:32 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, 551.072 and 551.074, Texas Gov. Code:

7.A. Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.071 consultation with attorney regarding legal issues pertaining to possible claims and litigation involving student social media usage against social media companies and consideration of contingency fee legal service agreement with JCA Law, PLLC and Guerra LLP.

**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 8:00 p.m. to take possible action on the matters discussed in Executive Session.

8.A. Possible Board action on matters discussed in Closed Session

8.B. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding adoption of a Resolution approving a contingency fee legal services agreement with JCA Law, PLLC and Guerra LLP and finding the need for submission of the contingency fee legal services agreement to the Texas Attorney General for approval, and request for expedited review and consideration.

No action.

8.C. Discussion and possible action regarding adoption and approval of a contingency fee legal services agreement with JCA Law, PLLC and Guerra LLP and authorizing the Board President to execute such agreement, for the purpose of pursuing litigation and causes of action and the potential recovery of damages against social media companies resulting from student social media usage.

No action.

9. **NEXT MEETING DATE:**

No Board Meeting for July 2025

Wednesday, August 13, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. -

Regular Board Meeting

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Motion made by Myrna Hernandez and seconded by Monica Chavez, Passed.

Eduardo Chavez: Yea

Monica Chavez: Yea

Myrna Hernandez: Yea

Sandra Licon: Yea

Axel Lopez: Yea

Lorenzo Luevano: Yea

Alexis Tellez: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

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Board President

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Board Secretary