

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
SOUTHWEST TEXAS COLLEGE**

September 18, 2025

The Board of Trustees of Southwest Texas College met in regular session on September 18, 2025 in the Matthews Student Center – Bluebonnet Room. Board President, Dr. Harry O. Watkins, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Board Members Present were:

Dr. Harry O. Watkins
Dr. Antonio H. Rivera
Tony T. Moreno
Maria Elena Lara
Anita Shackelford

Board Members absent:

Rogelio Munoz
Victor Lopez

Also present was Dr. Hector Gonzales, President of the College.

Board President Watkins welcomed guest at the meeting, which include college personnel Derek Sandoval, Dr. Mark Underwood, Abraham Contreras, Dr. Randa Schell, Lisa Ermis, Lorie Compton Betty, Charles Garabedian, Aubrey Haynes, Judy Estrada, Brenda Hoffman, Armando Mondragon, Dr. Aide Escamilla, Terri Dube, April Ruhmann, Landra Fowler, Carlos Lopez, Twila Barnett, Connie Buchanan, Wade Carpenter, Al Salinas, and Cruz Mata. Also in attendance was TX DPS Trooper Jake Sanchez and Leakey ISD student Lil' Jake Sanchez.

Audience to Patrons: None

A motion was made by Maria Elena Lara and seconded by Anita Shackelford to approve the Consent Agenda: Minutes of the August 21, 2025 Regular Meeting, Minutes of the September 11, 2025 Public Hearing, the Financial Statements as of August 31, 2025, and the Quarterly Investment Report. Motion carried unanimously and copies are attached.

Business Management Report was presented by Twila Barnet.

Del Rio and Eagle Pass Campus Reports presented by Connie Buchanan and Brenda Hoffman.

Title IX Annual Report presented by Abraham Contreras.

CCATT Conference Report presented by Dr. Hector Gonzales and Board Member Tony T. Moreno.

Construction Report presented by Derek Sandoval.

President's Report presented by Dr. Hector Gonzales.

Maria Elena Lara made the following motion: I propose that the Board of Trustees vote to adopt a tax rate of \$0.1200 per \$100 of property valuation. This will represent an increase in the tax rate and will provide the college with a greater amount of revenue than in the previous year. The motion was seconded by Anita Shackelford, motion carried unanimously, and a copy is attached (Ayes – Watkins, Rivera, Moreno, Lara, and Shackelford, Nays – 0, not present – Munoz & Lopez).

A motion was made by Anita Shackelford and seconded by Maria Elena Lara to nominate Tony T. Moreno to the Uvalde County Appraisal District Board; motion carried with Tony T. Moreno abstaining. Copy of the Resolution is attached.

Board President Watkins called the Board into closed session at 7:15 p.m. to consider:

- A. Employment Related Matters (Tex. Gov't Code 551.041)
- B. Discuss student and employee Title IX complaints noted in the annual report

At 8:02 p.m., the SWTX Board reconvened in regular session.

A motion was made by Anita Shackelford and seconded by Tony T. Moreno to approve the updates to the SWTX Catalog No. 68 2025-2026. Motion carried and copies are attached.

With no further business or action items to discuss, Anita Shackelford made the motion to adjourn. Dr Antonio H. Rivera seconded the motion. Motion carried at 8:05 p.m.

Dr. Harry O. Watkins, President of the Board

Tony T. Moreno, Secretary of the Board

Dr. Hector Gonzales, Witness