



**SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

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**Minutes of Regular Meeting  
The Board of Trustees  
South San Antonio ISD**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of South San Antonio ISD was held Wednesday, April 22, 2020, beginning at 6:00 PM in the It is the intent of the Board of Trustees to conduct this meeting primarily via teleconference pursuant to the Open Meetings Act procedures announced by Governor Abbot.

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Trustee	Present	Absent	Late Arrival
Stacey Alderete	X		
Gilbert Rodriguez	X		
Connie Prado	X		
Shirley Ibarra Pena	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Kevin Rasco	X		
Veronica Barba	X		

Led by Michelle Martinez, Senior Executive Assistant

- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- TEXAS PLEDGE
- PRAYER
- CALL TO ACTION

Led by Jennifer Suniga- Collier, Community Relations Officer

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

*None*

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT ON ACADEMICS, CHILD NUTRITION,  
AND DISTRICT SAFETY**

Interim Superintendent, Dolores Sendejo, reported on how we have embraced our new normal for our staff and families and as a nation with respect to COVID-19. She provided several updates and reports to the Board of Trustees and community with regard to nutrition, safety and the future in our district. She advised that we have sent multiple letters to our families and provided an update on our distance learning and availability of mental health services through our CareZone.

Mr. Rodriguez, Board President, read board meeting rules of decorum aloud. The Board of Trustees shared thoughts and concerns with respect to the current district situation.

## **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

1. Mr. Rasco read aloud comments from *Shannon Odowell, South San AFT*, regarding challenges and adjustments due to the pandemic, teachers and support personnel missing their students, saluted the staff providing food, and consent agenda item #8.

## **CONSENT**

*Policy BE (Local) states that the consent agenda shall include items of a routine and/or recurring nature grouped together under one action item. All such items shall be acted upon by one vote without separate discussion, unless a Board Member requests that an item be withdrawn for individual consideration. The remaining items shall be adopted under a single motion and vote.*

1. Approve the Memo of Understanding between Martinez Street Women's Center and South San Antonio ISD
2. Approve Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Sanford Harmony and SSAISD to implement their social and emotional learning program at all 10 elementary schools
3. Approve Consultant Services Contract Between South San Antonio ISD and The University of Texas Health Center of San Antonio (UTHSC)
4. Approve Memorandum of Understanding Program Agreement Between South San Antonio ISD and JOVEN
5. Approve Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between SA Youth and SSAISD for the implementation of Out-of-School-Time programs at all four middle schools for the 2020-2021 school year.
6. Approve Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between SA Youth and SSAISD for the implementation of an Out-of-School-Time Program at Kazen Middle School for the 2020 Spring & Summer Sessions
7. Approve Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Common Threads and SSAISD to continue their cooking and nutrition education program with the elementary and middle school campuses to help promote healthier lifestyles via education.
8. T-TESS waiver
9. Approve the 2020-2021 SSAISD IMA & TEKS Certification
10. BrainPOP Online Subscription
11. Approve the selection and purchase of new English Language Arts Textbooks for Grades 9-12 that align with the new TEKS
12. Approval of the April Budget Amendment
13. Approval of Inter-Local Agreement Between the City of San Antonio and Individually the Twelve Public Education Districts within its borders.
14. Approval of selected Architect firms to be retained for use in district projects as needed.
15. Approval of District administration to apply for membership with the purchasing cooperative Central Texas Purchasing Alliance (CTPA)

16. Approval of District administration to apply for membership with the purchasing cooperative TexBuy.

Mr. Rasco made a motion: I will move that we approve numbers 1-16 and withdrawing 11 and 14 from consent, Mrs. Alderete seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0 to approve the item as presented. Motion passed.

<b>Vote:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstained</b>
Stacey Alderete	X		
Gilbert Rodriguez	X		
Connie Prado	X		
Shirley Ibarra Pena	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Kevin Rasco	X		
Veronica Barba	X		

**CONSENT Items pulled**

**Item #- 11**

Amy Shield was called to present and answer questions related to this item. Mrs. Alderete moved to approve consent item #11 as presented, Ms. Ibarra Pena seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0 to approve the item as presented. Motion passed.

<b>Vote:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstained</b>
Stacey Alderete	X		
Gilbert Rodriguez	X		
Connie Prado	X		
Shirley Ibarra Pena	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Kevin Rasco	X		
Veronica Barba	X		

**Item #- 14**

Dolores Sendejo, Interim Superintendent, Chad Doucet, Interim Chief of Staff, and Kevin O’Hanlon, Legal Counsel, were called to present and answer questions related to this item. Mrs. Alderete moved to approve consent item #14 as presented, Ms. Ibarra Pena seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 6/0 to approve the item as presented. Motion passed.

<b>Vote:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstained</b>
Stacey Alderete	X		
Gilbert Rodriguez	X		
Shirley Ibarra Pena	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Kevin Rasco	X		
Veronica Barba	X		

**PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS**

1. Quarterly Investment Report

Dolores Sendejo, Interim Superintendent, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

2. Monthly Financial Statements for February and March 2020  
Dolores Sendejo, Interim Superintendent, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

**CLOSED / EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*NOTICE: The Board of Trustees may elect to go into Closed Meeting any time during the meeting to discuss matters listed on the Agenda when authorized by the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. In the event the Board of Trustees elects to go into Closed Meeting regarding an Agenda Item, the Board of Trustees will hold a Closed Meeting to discuss individual personnel matters including termination, litigation and other matters the Board deems necessary. Upon completion of Closed Meeting, the Board of Trustees may, in the open session, take such action as appropriate on items discussed in a Closed Meeting. If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item listed on the agenda should be held in Closed Meeting, the Board will convene in such Closed Meeting in accordance with Texas Government Code Sections 551.001 - 551.088. The Board members may take action in the open portion of the meeting on items discussed in the Closed Meeting but no action will be taken in closed session.*

***The Board will return to open session and take appropriate action, if any, on items discussed in closed session. No Action will be taken in closed session. Further, Board Members are reminded that all items discussed in closed session must remain confidential so as to avoid liability to the district. The Board will consider and discuss, the following items:***

**Closed Meeting pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code §§ 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, and 551.0821**

1. Discussion concerning personnel matters pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074.
2. Consider Level III Grievance of Marco A. Guerra pursuant to District Policy DGBA (Local)
3. Discussion with Superintendent search team concerning status of Superintendent search.  
Section start time: 7:12 PM.  
Section end time: 11:52 PM.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

1. Discussion and Possible Action to approve the proposed recommendations of staff contracts and or administrator contracts.  
Mrs. Prado made a motion: I make a motion that we table the staff and administrator’s contracts and not accept the Superintendent’s recommendation of termination of Ms. Bertiz Jackie, Mrs. Alderete seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 5/1/1 to approve. Motion passed.

<b>Vote:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstained</b>
Stacey Alderete	X		
Gilbert Rodriguez			X
Connie Prado	X		

Shirley Ibarra Pena	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Kevin Rasco		X	
Veronica Barba	X		

2. Discussion and possible action regarding the hiring of West Campus High School Principal.

Mr. Rodriguez made a motion: I would actually like to make a motion that we accept the Superintendent’s recommendation of Christina Cardenas as the West Campus High School Principal, Ms. Ibarra Pena, and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0 to approve. Motion passed.

<b>Vote:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstained</b>
Stacey Alderete	X		
Gilbert Rodriguez	X		
Connie Prado	X		
Shirley Ibarra Pena	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Kevin Rasco	X		
Veronica Barba	X		

3. Discussion and possible Board action concerning Level III Grievance of Marco A. Guerra.

Ms. Ibarra Pena made a motion: to express our concern on how this matter was handle, Mrs. Prado seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 5/2 to approve. Motion passed.

<b>Vote:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstained</b>
Stacey Alderete	X		
Gilbert Rodriguez		X	
Connie Prado	X		
Shirley Ibarra Pena	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Kevin Rasco		X	
Veronica Barba	X		

4. Discussion and possible Board action concerning Superintendent search.

Mrs. Alderete made a motion: I would like to make a motion to proceed as discussed in executive session, Mr. Flores seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0 to approve. Motion passed.

<b>Vote:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstained</b>
Stacey Alderete	X		
Gilbert Rodriguez	X		
Connie Prado	X		
Shirley Ibarra Pena	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Kevin Rasco	X		
Veronica Barba	X		

**ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Ibarra Pena moved to adjourn the meeting, Mrs. Alderete seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 PM.

**ATTEST**

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Gilbert Rodriguez, Board President

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Shirley Ibarra Pena, Board Secretary

*NOTICE: This meeting of the Board of Trustees is authorized in accordance with the Texas Government Code, Sections 551.001 - 551.146. Verification of Notice of Meeting and Agenda are on file in the Office of the Superintendent. Closed meeting, if required and if authorized by the statute, will be conducted prior to the conclusion of the meeting for any item listed on this agenda.*