

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees

Uvalde Consolidated Independent School District

The Board of Trustees met to conduct the Regular Meeting on October 21, 2024 at 6:00 pm in Benson Board Room, 601 Dean Street, Uvalde, TX 78801.

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:24 pm

Members present: Cal Lambert, Laura Perez, JJ Suarez, Javier Flores, Jaclyn Gonzales, Jesse Rizo, Robert Quinones

Staff present: Ashley Chohlis, Anne Marie Espinoza, Amy Graeber, Pam Bendele, Cash Keith, Mario Rangel, Mikka Sanchez, David Zamora, Victor Baron, Bryan Perez, Margaret Tarski, Andrea Sagemuehl, Dr. Andi Guerrero, Dr. Yvette Buehring, Miranda Divorak, Julie Mize, Dr. Hector Lopez, Jorge Cerna, Elsa Ayala, Jennifer Torres, Pedro Huizar, Rodney Harrison

Guests present: Crystal Barrera, Jennifer Gilliland, Manuel Rizo, Julissa Rizo, Ms. Rizo, Adam Martinez, Deyanira Salazar, Robb Decker, Jennifer Zamora, Cassandra Hernandez, Antoinette Briseno, Deyanira Salazar, Allison McCullough, Dora Marines, Lori Hernandez, Cassandra De Hoyos, Erin Robin, Felipe Zamarripa, Maricela Zamarippa

Media present: Sofi Zeman

B. Moment of Silence

Jose Flores Jr. and Maite Rodriguez's heavenly birthdays were recognized. There was a moment of silence for 21 seconds to honor our 21 beautiful souls.

C. Invocation was led by Kathleen Maxwell Rambie.

D. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags of the United States of America and the State of Texas were led by Cadet Ensign Garret Alderson and Cadet Seaman Recruit Canyon Chohlis.

2. Board Recognition

The following Dalton teachers and administrators were recognized by Apple as a Distinguished School.

Allison McCulloch
Belinda De Anda Ramirez
Antoinette Briseno
Tamara Wash
Lorena Hernandez
Cassandra De Hoyos
Selena Sandoval
Andrea Sagemuehl
Margaret Tarski

3. Open Forum

The following spoke in open forum:

Maria Zamarripa - Safety and Security

Denise Feldtman - Backpacks

4. Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Chohlis shared the following:

DOMAIN 1: High Quality Curriculum And Effective Instruction

The Special Education Department has identified a series of next steps and have a plan of action they will carry out through the spring to prepare for roll out in the 25-26 school year.

Curriculum - T-TESS, Teacher Incentive Allotment

CTE Students studying Health Careers and Uvalde Memorial Hospital partnership

DOMAIN 2: Effective, Well Supported Staff

The C&I Team has worked hard to support staff in teaching and learning on campuses not only by being present daily in classrooms, but also by creating our Curriculum Hub, where teachers and administrators can go to find information on everything the C&I department supports, from programs and processes to schedules, planning templates and data links. Providing staff easy access to information in one place helps to align our system, supports staff, and creates the conditions for efficacy.

DOMAIN 3: Positive School Culture

CHDI In School Clinic has seen 584 patients between 8.12.24 and 10.10.24.

District attendance for the month so far is 89%.

DOMAIN 4: Alignment Of Financial Well Being With Student Achievement

Voter Approved Tax Rate Election information

5. Consent Agenda:

The motion was made by JJ Suarez and seconded by Javier Flores to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was carried unanimously.

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees Held on September 16, 2024.
- B. Minutes of the Special Meeting and Workshop of the Board of Trustees Held on September 23, 2024.
- C. Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees Held on September 30, 2024.
- D. Item of information regarding Maintenance and Operations.
- E. Item of information regarding Transportation.
- F. Item of information regarding SFE.
- G. Item of information on the Quarterly investment activity for Quarter ending September 2024.
- H. Item of information on the district's investment activity for September 2024.
- I. Item of information on the district's credit card activity for September 2024.
- J. Item of information for Revenues and Expenditures as of August 2024.
- K. Item of information on the tax collection activity for September 2024.
- L. Item of Information for the district's Federal program activity for ending September 2024.
- M. Consider approval of accounts payable checks for September 2024.
- N. Item of information on Student Attendance.
- O. Item of information on Student Discipline.

6. Items of Division of Curriculum and Instruction:

A. Item of information on the Uvalde CISD Bilingual Program Evaluation.

A presentation of the UCISD Bilingual Program Evaluation was made by Dr. Andi Guerrero.

B. Consider approval of the Southwest Texas College 2024-2025 Memorandum of Understandings.

A motion was made by Javier Flores and seconded by Robert Quinones to approve the 2024-2025 Uvalde Early College High School Agreement and Crosswalk, 2024-2025 Dual Credit Partnership Agreement and Crosswalk and 2024-2025 Technical Course Agreement and Crosswalk. The motion was carried unanimously with JJ Suarez and Jaclyn Gonzales abstaining.

C. Consider approval of Texas Education Agency Annual Expedited Waivers.

The motion was made by JJ Suarez and seconded by Javier Flores to approve the Teacher Data Portal of the Texas Assessment Management System and the Staff Development waiver applications. The motion was carried unanimously.

7. Items of Division of Business and Finance:

A. Item of information with regard to the impact on the budget regarding the Tax Election (VATRE).

Information shared regarding the Voter Approval Tax Rate Election.

B. Consider approval of agreement with Clayful.

The motion was made by Laura Perez and seconded by JJ Suarez to approve the four year federal grant funded contract with Clayful in the amount not to exceed \$129,000. The motion was carried unanimously.

C. Consider approval of agreement with Communities in Schools.

The motion was made by Laura Perez and seconded by Robert Quinones to approve the contract with Communities in Schools in the amount not to exceed \$200,000. The motion was carried unanimously.

D. Consider approval of agreement with Prosolve.

The motion was made by Laura Perez and seconded by JJ Suarez to approve the grant funded contract with Prosolve in the amount not to exceed \$250,000. The motion was carried unanimously.

E. Consider approval of a donation from the San Antonio Area Foundation Sport for Healing Fund.

The motion was made by JJ Suarez and seconded by Javier Flores to approve the donation from The San Antonio Area Foundation Sport for Healing Fund in the amount of \$5,000 to the boys Uvalde High School Basketball program and \$5,000 to the girls Uvalde High School Basketball program. The motion was carried unanimously.

F. Consider approval of a donation from The Nobility Project.

The motion was made by JJ Suarez and seconded by Laura Perez to approve the donation from The Nobility Project in the amount of \$10,000.00 to be used for technology items for Morales Junior High. The motion was carried unanimously.

G. Consider approval of awarding Request for Qualifications (RFQ 2024-002) for External Evaluator for Federal Funds to Zajonc Corporation.

The motion was made by JJ Suarez and seconded by Robert Quinones to approve the Awarding Request for Qualifications (RFQ 2024-002) for External Evaluator for Federal and State Funds to Zajonc Corporation. The motion was carried unanimously.

8. Items of Division of Administration & Operations:

A. Item of information regarding Intruder Detection Audit at UDLA.

Mrs. Chohlis shared there was a visit by the Texas Education Agency to conduct an unannounced Intruder Detection Audit at UDLA on October 4, 2024. The campus had no finding during Phase I of the audit. The auditor was unable to gain entry into the building or any classrooms. There was a finding in Phase II of the audit regarding the documentation of the weekly door sweeps not being readily available. The inspection logs were completed but not readily available.

B. Item of information regarding safety and security with regard to the UCISD Student Code of Conduct with regard to backpacks and not allowing toy guns or plastic guns.

A discussion was held regarding safety and security with regard to the UCISD Student Code of Conduct with regard to backpacks and not allowing toy guns or plastic guns.

C. Consider approval of the 2024-2025 School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) members.

The motion was made by JJ Suarez and seconded by Javier Flores to approve the 2024-2025 School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) members as presented. The motion was carried unanimously.

9. Closed Session: A closed session will be held under Provisions of Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Sections 551.071 and 551.074.

A closed session was held at 9:04 pm.

A. Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, consultation with the District's attorney concerning legal issues related to proposing mid-contract termination of the term contract of Shawn Hoel.

B. Pursuant to Texas Govt Code 551.074, hear and consider Level Three parent grievance regarding a criminal trespass warning.

C. Deliberation concerning approval of personnel employments, assignments, suspensions, and terminations.

10. Reconvene from closed session for action relevant to items covered during closed session and other items listed.

A. Consider and take possible action regarding the proposed mid-contract termination of the term contract of Shawn Hoel.

The motion was made by JJ Suarez and seconded by Laura Perez to propose the mid-contract termination of the term contract of Shawn Hoel, and further move to authorize the Superintendent to provide written notice to Ms. Hoel of this Board action as required by law. Five in favor, One Opposed and One Abstained.

B. Consider and take possible action regarding Level Three parent grievance regarding criminal trespass warning.

No action taken.

C. Consider and take possible action concerning approval of personnel employments, assignments, suspensions, and terminations.

The motion was made by JJ Suarez and seconded by Robert Quinones to approve personnel employments, assignments, suspensions, and terminations as presented in closed session. The motion was carried unanimously.

11. Adjournment

The motion was made by Laura Perez and seconded by Javier Flores to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 pm.

Board Secretary

Date