

ROBSTOWN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
801 NORTH FIRST STREET
ROBSTOWN, TEXAS 78380

BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OCTOBER 2, 2025

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Lori Ann Garza, President
Erik Gallegos, Vice-President
Cezar Martinez, Secretary
Bobby Marroquin, Assistant Secretary
Larry Cantu, Trustee
Mario Mesa, Trustee
Yvette Villalobos, Trustee

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: All board members were present.

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Dr. Marc Puig, Superintendent

VISITORS: There were no visitors.

1.0 GENERAL FUNCTIONS

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM

At 6:00 p.m., President Lori Ann Garza called this meeting of the Robstown Independent School District Board of Trustees to order.

ROLL CALL: Lori Ann Garza – Present, Erik Gallegos – Present, Cezar Martinez – Present, Bobby Marroquin – Present, Larry Cantu - Present, Mario Mesa – Present and Yvette Villalobos – Present

Present – 7

Absent – 0

Let the record show that a quorum of Board Members are present, that this meeting has been called, and that notice of this meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

2.0 MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAYER

Dr. Marc Puig led the audience and the Board in prayer.

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/TEXAS FLAG PLEDGE

President Lori Ann Garza led the board members and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Flag Pledge.

4.0 **VISION – OUR VISION IS TO IGNITE BRILLIANCE AND IMPACT LIVES BY PROVIDING TRANSFORMATIVE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES THAT EMPOWER STUDENTS FOR GENERATIONS TO COME**

Trustee Cezar Martinez read the following vision statement: “Our vision is to ignite brilliance and impact lives by providing transformative learning opportunities that empower students for generations to come.”

MISSION – TO EMPOWER, INSPIRE, AND INVEST IN OUR STUDENTS AND STAFF, IGNITING THE BEST VERSION OF THEMSELVES. TOGETHER, WE POSITIVELY IMPACT OUR COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD

Trustee Erik Gallegos read the following mission statement: “To empower, inspire, and invest in our students and staff, igniting the best version of themselves. Together, we positively impact our community and the world.”

5.0 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no comments from the public.

6.0 **BOARD WORKSHOP:**

6A SCHOOL BOARD TRAINING CONDUCTED BY REGISTERED PROVIDER JUAN J. CRUZ – TEAM OF EIGHT (8) TRAINING AS AUTHORIZED BY 19 TEXAS ADMINISTRATIVE CODE SECTION 61.1 (b) (4)

6B RISD BOARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

The school district’s attorney, Juan Cruz, presented the Team of Eight Workshop to the Board. He informed the Board that superintendents and board members each has distinct duties in the operation of the school district. The relationship between the Board and the superintendent is important for the district to be a well-functioning district. Some of the factors contributing to a strong relationship include, but are not limited to, respect, communication, accountability, and setting boundaries. He reviewed the following topics with the Board: Duties of Superintendent and Board Members, Duties of the School Board, Collaboration between Board and Superintendent, Duties of the Superintendent, Knowing each position’s duties matter, the Value of Trust, Overbearing Board Member, Overbearing Superintendent, Mutual Respect, Practices that Develop Respect, Remaining Unified, Superintendent’s Role in Keeping the Board Unified, How to work through Board Politics, School Board Members have to Spend Time and Money on Mediation, Communications, School Board Meetings, Conduct during Board Meetings, Posting of Meetings, and Working Toward Goals. Overall, they needed to know the duties of the superintendent and board members, build a level of trust with each other, maintain respect for each other’s opinions, ideas and positions, communicate as needed, school board meetings are the ultimate test of the superintendent-school board relationship, and be guided by the school district’s goals. Also, he reviewed the following two forms with the Board: 1) Board member request

7.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion #7025 A motion was made by Trustee Y. Villalobos and seconded by Trustee E. Gallegos to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, L. Cantu - Yes, M. Mesa – Yes, and Y. Villalobos – Yes

Motion carried Yes – 7 No - 0 Absent – 0
8:16 p.m.