

**ROBSTOWN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
AGENDA ACTION SHEET**

Date: April 13, 2026

Subject: Consent Agenda Items

Administrator Responsible: Dr. Marc Puig

Position: Superintendent

A. Purpose of Agenda Item:

Information Only Action Needed

B. Authority for this Action:

Local Policy BE (LOCAL) Law or Rule _____

C. Strategic Objective, Goal, or Need Addressed:

Not applicable at this time.

D. Summary: The Board approved on October 19, 2000, to add a section for a consent agenda to board policy BE (LOCAL) to state that items of a routine or recurring nature be grouped together as a single item. Consent agenda items may include minutes of Board meetings, account payables, board policy updates, and other items deemed appropriate for the consent agenda by the Board President or the Superintendent. The Board shall be furnished with background materials for items placed on the consent agenda in advance of the meeting. The consent agenda items may be adopted generally, by a single vote motion and vote, without the necessity for discussion on any individual items. Upon receipt of the agenda prior to the Board meeting, a board member may inquire about consent agenda items by addressing concerns or questions to the Superintendent. When such questions or concerns are not answered prior to the meeting, he or she may request at the Board meeting that the Board withdraw the item from the consent agenda for individual consideration. The Board shall then act upon all consent agenda items remaining with a single vote, and then consider any items withdrawn from the consent agenda individually.

E. Alternatives Considered: N/A

F. Comments Received: N/A

G. Administrative Recommendation: That the Board approves the consent agenda items.

H. Fiscal Impact and Cost: N/A

I. Monitoring and Reporting Time Line: 2025-2026

**ROBSTOWN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
AGENDA ACTION SHEET**

Date: April 13, 2026

Subject: Minutes

Administrator Responsible: Dr. Marc Puig

Position: Superintendent

A. Purpose of Agenda Item:

Information Only

Action Needed

B. Authority for this Action:

Local Policy

BE

Law or Rule

C. Strategic Objective, Goal, or Need Addressed:

To approve the minutes of all meetings.

D. Summary: The written minutes of all meetings shall be approved by vote of the Board and signed by the President and Secretary of the Board. Please see attached the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of March 23, 2026, for your review and approval.

E. Alternatives Considered: N/A

F. Comments Received: N/A

G. Administrative Recommendation: That the Board approves the minutes as part of the consent agenda items.

H. Fiscal Impact and Cost: N/A

I. Monitoring and Reporting Time Line: 2025-2026

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

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MARCH 23, 2026

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
Diana L. Silvas, Assistant Superintendent
Eva Cisneros, Chief Financial Officer

VISITORS:	Rachel Medrano	Richard Gonzalez	Jeremiah Espinoza
	Nikita Hobbs	Celeste Liguez	Rene Peterson
	Eunsil Eom	Sandra Blanton	Candace Rodriguez
	Miles Rodriguez	Maribel Trevino	Jaime Velasco
	Jacquiline Padilla	Carolina Herrera	Bellanira Arias
	Maritza Gomez	Sylvia Alaniz	Linda Gallegos
	Anisa Chaver	Katrina Alejandro	

1.0 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 – Absent, and Yvette Villalobos – Present

Present – 7

Absent – 0

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

2.0 **MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAYER**

Dr. Marc Puig led the audience and the board members 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 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (OPEN FORUM) AS PER POLICY BED (LOCAL)**

Trustee Cezar Martinez read the following statement: “The Robstown ISD Board of Trustees welcome comments from citizens on any agenda items or non-agenda items. Those wishing to address the school board must provide their name for the record and observe a three-minute time limit. During this time, the Board of Trustees may not respond to the citizens' concerns as per the Texas Open Meetings Act.” Rene Peterson, mother of Ensil Oms, asked the Board to consider changing the school district’s policy so that her daughter can be recognized in the top ten. Because of the policies of the school district, her daughter will never be recognized as one of the top ten students. Being in the military, they cannot choose where they are supposed to live. She thought that it was not fair for her daughter not to be recognized. Her daughter has worked very hard to learn the language and culture. She asked the board to consider changing the policy so that her daughter could be recognized.

5.0 **AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS**

5A **RECOGNITION OF TEACHER OF THE YEAR**

5B **RISING STARS OF THE YEAR**

Diana Silvas announced that this school year, they have a new category called the Rising Star, along with the Teacher of the Year for each campus. The teachers of the year will move on and compete at the ESC II. The Rising Stars do not move forward. Diana Silvas recognized the following Robstown ISD teachers for exemplifying excellence, passion and commitment to igniting brilliance in the classroom: Carolina Herrera, RECHS Rising Star and Bellanira Arias, RECHS Teacher of the Year; Celeste Liguez, Seale Jr. High School Rising Star and Jeremiah Espinoza, Seale Jr. High School Teacher of the Year; Bryana Martinez, Robert Driscoll, Jr., Stem Academy Rising Star and Krystal Gallegos, Robert Driscoll Jr., Stem Academy Teacher of the Year; Noe Cepeda, San Pedro Fine Arts Academy Rising Star and Nikita Hobbs, San Pedro Fine Arts Academy Teacher of the Year; Joslin, Lotspeich Leadership Academy Rising Star; and Clarrisa Barrera, Lotspeich Leadership Academy Teacher of the Year. The Elementary Teacher of the Year went to Clarissa Barrera, Lotspeich Leadership Academy, and the Secondary Teacher of the Year went to Jeremiah Espinoza, Seale Jr. High School. The elementary Rising Star went to Bryana Martinez, Robert Driscoll, Jr., Stem Academy, and the Secondary Rising Star went to Celeste Liguez, Seale Jr. High School.

5C **PROUD YOU’RE A PICKER AWARD**

Katrina Alejandro presented the Proud You’re a Picker Award to Diana Mesa, RECHS custodian for her outstanding efforts, commitment, pride, and initiative during their UIL contest on February 21, 2026. The campus was prepared, and they were able to showcase the school district to the guests at the campus.

5D **SUPERINTENDENT’S STUDENT LEADERSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Katrina Aljendro reported that the students from RECHS and Seale Jr. High School

presented at the TASB Governance Camp on March 5-7, 2026. The students did a remarkable job, and they were the talk of the conference. Eunsil Eom, RECHS Senior, shared her experience of participating in the TASB Governance Camp Conference. She reported that she was able to participate in a student-led meeting, and she had the opportunity to present to students and board members. It was truly amazing because they were able to showcase the achievements of teachers, board members, and the school district. She was really proud to be a part of the SLACKERS and to be able to showcase Robstown at a very big convention like TASB.

For the record, Trustee Erik Gallegos excused himself from the Board meeting at 6:37 p.m.

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MADAM PRESIDENT REMARKS:

REPORT ON THE TASB GOVERNANCE CAMP TRAINING

President Lori Ann Garza reported that the students represented the school district very well at the TASB 2026 Summer Leadership Conference in Galveston, Texas on March 6, 2026. They were very proud of the students.

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**2026 SUMMER LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS
ON JUNE 10-13, 2026**

President Lori Ann Garza announced that the 2026 Summer Leadership Conference will be held in San Antonio, Texas, on June 10-13, 2026. Dr. Marc Puig will be submitting a session for the conference.

For the record, Trustee Larry Cantu joined the board meeting at 6:38 p.m.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

Dr. Marc Puig announced that President Lori Ann Garza will be interviewed on Thursday, March 26, 2026, at 12:00 p.m., for the position of TASB Board of Directors. The administration is working hard on making sure that transformative learning is going on at the campuses. The enrollment is at 91.5% for the 2025-2026 school year at this time. He reviewed the TEA Superintendent/LEA Data Stepback meeting that they had on Friday with TEA, and about the work that they are doing at the campuses that are struggling. In short, they have clarity of vision, tighter alignment, stronger classroom practice, growing leadership, and everyone is aware of the strategic plan. Teachers and administrators are getting stronger, which is what it takes today. San Pedro was a D, and now they are a B, and they are now working on the other campuses. They are working on the curriculum, instruction, and aligning classroom practices and leadership. Also, he reviewed the following progress: Data-driven celebrations from Fall to Spring, on-site campus visit progress, lesson alignment, meaningful engagement strategies, and checked for understanding. They have had a total of 1200 learning walks so far this school year. The teachers are maintaining alignment with lesson objectives and structures, the pacing has gone up, and there has been evidence of teacher internalization. Overall, the curriculum and instruction are working, and they have met the milestones at 100%. He shared student growth on five teachers to show how, already at mid-year, they have exceeded the last school year. Given the progress to date, they are looking into specific

changes or improvements for summer planning and for next year's strategy implementation.

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PRESENTATION/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

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ACADEMIC UPDATE/TIA UPDATE

Joshua Garcia presented an update on how the school district was doing in academics. He reviewed the following four items with the Board: 1) Red Day (March 16, 2026) Recap & Investment of PD Support – They did a lot of great work on how to improve the coaching and instructional leaders at the campuses. Robert Stell met with the staff on how to improve the ILTs and PLCs framework to finish out the school year. Also, they had CPR and PEIMS Training, 2) LASO 4 LIFT Grants(s) Update – The LASO grants will help pay for a lot of the work that will be needed for the data step-back. The LIFT grants will help with implementation and instructional leadership support. The grant is for \$627,000, the LIFT PLC will target PLC at the campuses (Lotspeich, Robert Driscoll, and Seale Jr. High School) and it is for \$360,000, and the PREP mentor allotment will help with partnership with NIET, mentor pathway, partnership with NIET, leader pathway, and allotment based on the number of mentors, 3) State Assessment – They administered TELPAS last week, they are still doing the STAAR ALT2 administration (Assessment began last week), and the STAAR window dates are from April 6th through the 28th of 2026, and 4) TIA Updates –Diana Silvas reported that they have continued to meet with the Rural Co-hort, they have attended webinar trainings, and they have completed the Winter staff submission. The TIA application has been finalized for final submission, and they have submitted a proposal to present at the TIA conference in June. Also, they met with the music department to review which pilot program they would like to implement for the next school year.

8B

FOOD SERVICE UPDATE

Ray Williams presented the Food Service Update to the Board. He reported that the participation has gone up by 1.2% compared to the last school year. The breakfast participation has gone up to 9.8% compared to the last school year. He shared pictures of the presentations that they put out (New Menu Items), and based on the presentations that they have put out, the percentages have gone up. They have added A La Carte items for the students (cucumber cups, baked chips, and strawberry cups), and they are making over \$1000 a week on the sale of the A La Carte items. Students will recommend items that they like, and if they meet the guidelines, they will put them on the menu. Also, the campuses participated in the National Breakfast Week from March 2-6, 2026, and they all did an awesome job.

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M & O UPDATE

Ron Lawver reported that the air-conditioning unit in the kitchen at Robert Driscoll Stem Academy needed a small part, and it has taken some time to receive it. As soon as they receive it, they will install it. The plumbing at the field house is around 90-95% complete. The plumbers have done a phenomenal job, and the electricians will start soon. The lockers have been ordered, and it will take eight to ten weeks to receive them. The concrete work on the outside has already started. Also, San Pedro has a thirty-foot sewer line that needs some attention, and they will be

repairing it on Good Friday. The doors at the Carrillo Gym should be done this week (4 doors).

8D UPDATE REPORT ON THE USAGE/RENTAL OF SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES

Ron Lawver reported that they will be streamlining the form for the usage/rental of the school district's facility. A digital form will be available to anyone who wants to rent out a school district's facility. They will look at the pricing also. The point of streamlining the form is to make sure that the renters comply with all of the district's requests, and for safety reasons, the facilities are not being rented at this time.

8E SAFETY REPORT

Filiberto Tagle reported that they had their Spring Session District Safety Committee meeting to update the grant process that they are currently working on. They also had a city exercise that the city wanted them to participate in. At the meeting, they approved on enhancing the closed-door policy, which will include teachers and staff. The new policy will go into effect next school year. On March 30, 2026, he will be attending the Texas Police Chief Conference in Corpus Christi, Texas. The school district will be having its Autism Walk on April 4, 2026. He received good news that the Intruder Detection audit that was conducted today received a passing grade.

8F RISD DONATIONS

Dr. Marc Puig announced that the following companies had donated to the school District: Captain Marcos Alaniz Fishing Charters donated \$100 to powerlifting, Joshua Hernandez Family donated \$300 to powerlifting, Leaya and Taylor Alaniz donated \$45 to powerlifting, Jianna Olguin donated \$100 to powerlifting, Prime X 361 donated \$300 to powerlifting, Platinum Plumbing donated \$600 to powerlifting, and the Armadillo Sport Chiropractor donated \$300 to powerlifting. He thanked them for their generosity.

8G LIST OF BILLS

8H FINANCIAL STATEMENT/INVESTMENT REPORTS

President Lori Garza informed the Board that the List of Bills and the Financial Statement/Investment Reports were included in their board packet. If they had any questions, to please contact Dr. Puig.

9.0 **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

9A APPROVAL OF MINUTES

9B BUDGET AMENDMENT #2

9C DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF THE TEKS AND APPROVAL OF THE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS ALLOTMENT FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

Dr. Marc Puig recommended approving the Consent Agenda Items as presented.

Motion #7085 A motion was made by Trustee C. Martinez and seconded by Trustee Y. Villalobos to approve the superintendent's recommendation.

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

Motion carried Yes – 6 No - 0 Absent – 1
7:34 p.m.

10.0 ACTION ITEMS:

10A DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL 546 ON THE THREE-POINT SEAT BELTS

Dr. Marc Puig informed the Board that this item was for information only, not an action item. He announced that Senate Bill 546 now requires school districts to provide three-point seat belts on school buses that don't have seat belts. The school district presently has four buses that already have three-point seat belts. The other nine will have to be retrofitted, and they have until 2029 to do it. The bill is asking them to recommend to the Board a statement as to whether or not they have the funds to add the seat belts. Also, a grant will be available to school districts that don't have the funds for the seat belts. After the discussion, Dr. Puig recommended tabling this item.

Motion #7086 A motion was made by Trustee C. Martinez and seconded by Trustee B. Marroquin to approve the superintendent's recommendation.

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

Motion carried Yes – 6 No - 0 Absent – 1
7:37 p.m.

10B DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ROBSTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY REQUEST FOR MODIFICATION FOR PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES

Dr. Marc Puig reported that in working with the Robstown Housing Authority over the years, the school district has come up with a payment, which is a payment in place of taxes. Every year, the housing authority presents a check to the school district, which is around anywhere between \$15,000 and \$17,000 in place of taxes. After discussion, Dr. Puig recommended 10% (\$1700) for payment in place of taxes for this school year.

Motion #7087 A motion was made by Trustee C. Martinez and seconded by Trustee Y. Villalobos to approve the superintendent's recommendation.

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

Motion carried Yes – 6 No - 0 Absent – 1
7:42 p.m.

10C DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO EIC (LOCAL) POLICY

Dr. Marc Puig informed the Board that this policy had to do with how to determine the class rank. In speaking with the school district's consultant, there was an opportunity to update some of the items. The parent who was present this evening brought it to his attention to reconsider updating the policy in a way that would not keep her daughter from participating in some of the things that she earned. The way the policy is currently written under local graduation honors, she could not participate. He reviewed the modifications that TASB recommended to make because the way it is written now, they are not allowed to participate. After discussion, Dr. Marc Puig recommended the amendments EIC (LOCAL) as presented.

Motion #7088 A motion was made by Trustee B. Marroquin and seconded by Trustee M. Mesa to approve the superintendent's recommendation.

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

Motion carried Yes – 6 No - 0 Absent – 1
8:00 p.m.

11.0 CLOSED SESSION – SECTION 551.074 AND 551.076

11A DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATIONS, RESIGNATIONS, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF EMPLOYEES

President Lori Ann Garza asked for a motion to go into the executive session.

Motion #7089 A motion was made by Trustee M. Mesa and seconded by Trustee B. Marroquin to go into the executive session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Sections 551.074.

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

Motion carried Yes – 6 No - 0 Absent – 1
8:01 p.m.

Motion #7090 A motion was made by Trustee B. Marroquin and seconded by Trustee M. Mesa to reconvene from the executive session.

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

Motion carried Yes – 6 No - 0 Absent – 1
8:48 p.m.

12.0

OPEN SESSION

12A

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS, EMPLOYMENTS, EVALUATIONS, RESIGNATIONS, REASSIGNMENTS, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF EMPLOYEES

Dr. Marc Puig recommended approving the Personnel List as presented in the executive session.

Motion #7091 A motion was made by Trustee B. Marroquin and seconded by Trustee M. Mesa to approve the superintendent’s recommendation.

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

Motion carried Yes – 6 No - 0 Absent – 1
8:49 p.m.

13.0

ADJOURNMENT

Motion #7092 A motion was made by Trustee M. Mesa and seconded by Trustee B. Marroquin to adjourn the meeting.

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

Motion carried Yes – 6 No - 0 Absent – 1
8:49 p.m.

(The details of this meeting are recorded on tape dated 03/23/2026, except for the executive session.)