

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees

Uvalde Consolidated Independent School District

The Board of Trustees met to conduct the Regular Meeting on March 10, 2025 at 6:17 pm in Benson Board Room, 601 Dean Street, Uvalde, TX 78801.

1. The regular meeting was called to order at 6:17 pm

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

Members absent: Javier Flores

Staff present: Ashley Chohlis, Amy Graeber, Pam Bendele, Anne Marie Espinoza, Dr. Josie Gutierrez, Mikka Sanchez, David Zamora, Cash Keith, Mario Rangel, Margaret Tarski-Rodriguez, Jorge Cerna, Esequiel De La Fuente, Norma De La Fuente, Monica De Leon, Michel Torres, Dr. Hector Lopez, Victor Baron, Jennifer Griffin, Lorretta Dalrymple, Yoli Rodriguez, Noe Truan, Tracey Parker, Jacob Mewhinney, Dominique Bustamante, Estella Morales, Pedro Huizar

Guests present: David (ULN), Veronica Valdez, Berlinda Arreola, Denise Feldtman, Simon Ortiz, Diana Olvedo Karau, Mario Morales, Matthew Hughes, Jodi Strickland, Ramon Castro, Jeff Parker, Hector Gonzales, Sophia Bustamante, Michelle Parker, Michael Jacobs, Santiago Cabralez, Melissa Cabralez, Angie Garza, Ronald Garza

B. Moment of Silence

There was a moment of silence for 21 seconds to honor our 21 beautiful souls.

C. Invocation was led by Travis Johnson, Director of Youth Ministries at Uvalde Methodist Church.

D. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags of the United States of America and the State of Texas were led by Cadet Petty Officer Third Class Cayleb Luna.

2. Board Recognition

NJROTC National Orienteering Qualifier

Joaquin Schlessiger

Sponsors/Mentors:

MSgt. Ken Childs

Teresa Childs

Business Professionals of America State Leadership Conference:

Ashlynn Aguero: 1st Place in Health Administration Procedures

Isabella Villarreal: 1st Place in Intermediate Word Processing

Ezequiel Cabralez: 2nd Place in Advanced Spreadsheets Application

Isabella Flores: 2nd Place in Fundamental Spreadsheets Application

Valeria Perez: 2nd Place in Fundamental Word Application

Stefani Cantu: 4th Place in Advanced Spreadsheet Application

Karina Silva: 4th Place in Fundamental Spreadsheet Application

Olivia Wegrzyn: 4th Place in Intermediate Word Processing

Sponsor/Mentor:

Roy Torres

GeoFORCE Candidates

GeoFORCE Candidates from Batesville School:

Ileana Terrazas
Shayla Canales
Science Teacher: Jacob Mewhinney
GeoFORCE Candidates from Morales Junior High:
Sophia Bustamante
Elianna Salinas
Lucas Teague
Science Teacher: Estela Morales

2024 Texas High School Coaching Association Coaches All-State Honors:

Football Academic All-State Student-Athletes:
Wyatt Hughes, 2nd Team Academic All-State
Jaxon Parker, 2nd Team Academic All-State
Devere Willis, Honorable Mention Academic All-State
Head Coach: Wade Miller

3. Superintendent's Report

A. DOMAIN 1: High Quality Curriculum and Effective Instruction
Bilingual Advisory Committee

- Representatives from different schools, parents, community members, and Texas WorkForce Commission
- to engage in our program evaluation and recommendations for alignment of a PK-12 bilingual program
- Bilingual handbook
- discussion for language allocations and completing our program evaluation for 24-25

B. DOMAIN 2: Effective, Well Supported Staff
Curriculum and Instruction Professional Learning Community (C&I PLC)

- Reviewing upcoming needs of campuses and the systems in place to address them
- Training and understanding of our programs from both instructional and technical perspectives to better support campuses
- We are planning the rollout of instructional minutes, conducting evaluations of current processes through teacher evaluations, and ensuring alignment with student growth objectives
- Our C&I team is dedicated to collaborating with campuses in support of our board's goals

C. DOMAIN 3: Positive School Culture; Safety and Security
Big Box Food & Produce Distributions district initiative

- Great turnout at the distributions this past month
- We are averaging 50 volunteers per event! It is important to know
- Thank you to our volunteers, transportation, maintenance, and to our department teams for making these important events happen.

SAFETY & SECURITY

[Presentation](#)

CHDI School Based Clinic Usage

February - 204 visits
Student Visits - 70%
Employee Visits - 30%
Uninsured - 20%

D. DOMAIN 4: Alignment of Financial Well Being With Student Achievement
Budget Committee Survey Summary

- The opinions shared by participants emphasized the value of collaboration, community involvement, and diverse perspectives in discussions aimed at improving the school district.
- Participants appreciated the open exchanges of ideas, where everyone had a voice, including community members, students, and district representatives.
- The inclusion of various viewpoints led to more informed decisions and a broader understanding of the district's needs.
- There was strong recognition of the civic engagement and widespread participation that fostered meaningful, respectful conversations, ultimately helping to shape a more inclusive and thoughtful approach to the district's future.

For additional information, please visit the UCISD website "Budget Committee" webpage.

A list of upcoming events was shared.

4. Open Forum:

The following spoke in Open Forum:

- Ronald Garza- School Voucher Resolution
- Diana Olvedo Karau - Superintendent and School Vouchers

5. Public Hearing for the Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR)

Information was presented by Amy Graeber and Lorretta Dalrymple.

6. Consent Agenda:

The motion was made by JJ Suarez and seconded by Jaclyn Gonazales to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was carried by four Yes and one No with two members absent. Items A, D, F, and J were pulled from the consent agenda for comments and questions from the board.

- A. Minutes of the regular meeting of the board of trustees held on February 17, 2025
- B. Minutes of the board workshop of the board of trustees held on February 25, 2025
- C. Item of information regarding maintenance and operations
- D. Item of information regarding transportation
- E. Item of information regarding SFE
- F. Item of information for revenues and expenditures as of January 2025
- G. Item of information for the district's Federal program activity for February 2025
- H. Item of information on student attendance
- I. Item of information on student discipline
- J. Consider approval of substitute principal and counselor pay
- K. Consider approval of TASB Policy Update 124
- L. Discussion and consider approval of the revision of Uvalde CISD DCB (LOCAL) Policy

7. Items of Division of Curriculum and Instruction:

A. Item of information on Dalton Elementary

A presentation of Dalton Elementary was made by Margaret Tarski Rodriguez.

B. Consider approval of adoption of the OER Instructional Transition Plan

The motion was made by Jaclyn Gonzales and seconded by JJ Suarez to approve the Open Education Resources (OER) Transition Plan. The motion was carried unanimously with Javier Flores absent.

8. Items of Division of Administration & Operations:

A. Consider approval of resolution to oppose the school vouchers

The motion was made by JJ Suarez and seconded by Jesse Rizo to approve the resolution to oppose the the implementation or expansion of any and all school voucher programs that redirect public funds away from public schools. The motion was carried unanimously with Javier Flores absent.

B. Consider approval of the Board Operating Procedures

The motion was made by JJ Suarez and seconded by Laura Perez to approve the Board Operating Procedures. The motion was carried unanimously with Javier Flores absent.

9. Adjournment

The motion was made by Jesse Rizo and seconded Jaclyn Gonzales to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried unanimously with Javier Flores absent.

The meeting adjourned at 8:54 pm

Board Secretary

Date