



**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, December 14, 2022, beginning at 6:04 PM in the ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 1450 Gillette Blvd. San Antonio, Texas 78224.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Trustee	Present	Absent	Late Arrival/Departed Early
Stacey Alderete	X		
Cynthia Ramirez	X		
Abel Martinez Jr.	X		
Shirley Ibarra	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Ernesto Arrellano Jr.	X		
Manuel Lopez	X		

Led by Michelle Martinez, Senior Executive Assistant

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

Led by Alexis Castillo, Director of Communications

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Tom Cummins, AFT Representative, addressed the Board regarding teacher shortages and education finances.

TEA MONITOR REMARKS/REPORT

Dr. Abe Saavedra, TEA Monitor: Good evening ladies and gentlemen and thank you for the opportunity. Last time I spoke I encouraged the Board to take care of the Lone Star Governance training that needs to be taken care of. I am going to remind you again, and I'm going to keep reminding you until it gets done. I believe the Superintendent or the Board President, I'm not sure which, did a survey to see what weekends or what dates would be better. If you haven't responded, please respond. I basically have reported in my TEA report,

that the training is scheduled to be done sometime in January because I think that's what y'all were shooting for. I hope y'all can make it and I would encourage you to take care of that. Things are going well in my opinion, in reference to this Board and there's certain things that need to occur in order for TEA eventually to pull out and this training is one of those things so I would strongly encourage you to take care of that business. I know your gonna hear a report today concerning the finances of this district. I have talked about them before as well. I would encourage you to listen to the report carefully, study the report, ask whatever questions you feel you need to ask. And then following that at some point I'm sure you'll receive some recommendations. I would encourage you to do the right thing for the children of this district. Thank you.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REMARKS (NO ACTION / REPORT ONLY)

Henry Yzaguirre, Superintendent of Schools, addressed the Board and audience regarding tomorrow being the end of the semester. He thanked the students and staff for their hard work. He stated that we will be getting ready for testing season when we return from the break. He informed that we completed the December end of course exams at our high schools as well as the semester exams. He stated he is planning on brining the data from said exams during an academics update in the future. He recognized 2 teachers on behalf of Texas A&M; Frances Martinez and Daniella Munoz each received \$1,000 for being Teachers of the Month. The Superintendent stated that the attendance incentive that the Board adopted in August will be distributed on the 15th. He informed that the district had a successful TEA safety audit at Zamora MS. He thanked the principals for their hard work and dedication to keeping our schools safe. He informed that January 3rd we will have a block walk to promote our district., our goal is to hit every home in our district, weather permitting. He said that the district hosted a mega food drive this Monday in which over 600 cars received free food. He thanked community members and staff volunteers. He introduced a special guest- Blue Santa (Chief Tovar) to wish everyone a Merry Christmas.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REMARKS (NO ACTION / REPORT ONLY)

Ernesto Arrellano Jr., Board President, addressed the Board and audience wishing everyone a well-deserved time off and holidays. He stated that the Board is trying to get out of TEA involvement in the district and one way is to complete training on time. He recognized that Mr. Flores, Mrs. Alderete, Mrs. Ramirez and himself for being 100% in their training requirements. He stated that Ms. Ibarra is making good progress in her training deficiencies. He informed that Mr. Lopez and Mr. Martinez completed their local new Trustee training. Mr. Arrellano thanked them for the progress thus far.

RECOGNITIONS

1. SSHA Student selected to participate in the Mayor's Fitness Council Student Ambassador Program
Alexis Castillo, Director of Communications, was called to recognize students for their achievements.
2. 2022 SSAISD Holiday Card Contest Winner
Alexis Castillo, Director of Communications, was called to recognize students for their achievements.
3. SSAISD student places in Blue Santa Poster Contest
Alexis Castillo, Director of Communications, was called to recognize students for their achievements.

PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS

1. November 2022 Financials

Tony Kingman, Chief Financial Officer, and Henry Yzaguirre, Superintendent, were called to present and answer questions related to this item.

2. November 2022 Quarterly Investment Report

Tony Kingman, Chief Financial Officer, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

3. District Efficiency Report

Andy Rocha, Executive Director of Operations, Tony Kingman, Chief Financial Officer, and Henry Yzaguirre, Superintendent, were called to present and answer questions related to this item.

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. Board Meeting Minutes

A. November 17, 2022 Regular Called

2. Service agreement between Family Service of San Antonio, Inc. and SSAISD

3. "Exploros" Social Studies Curriculum Supplement

4. Region 4 Interlocal Agreement ("Grow Your Own" Initiative)

5. Approval of Poppy's Kiddie Kampus Inc, RFP 2023-01 Child Care Services

6. Student Placement Agreement between South San Antonio ISD and Arizona State University

Mrs. Alderete moved to approve the consent agenda items 1 – 6 as presented, Mrs. Ramirez seconded and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0 to approve the item as presented. Motion passed.

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Manuel Lopez	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Shirley Ibarra	X		
Abel Martinez Jr.	X		
Cynthia Ramirez	X		
Stacey Alderete	X		
Ernesto Arrellano Jr.	X		

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

1. EIF (Local) Graduation Requirements

Henry Yzaguirre, Superintendent and Millicent Marcha, Chief Academic Officer, were called to present and answer questions related to this item.

Mrs. Alderete moved to approve the item as presented, Mr. Lopez seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0. Motion passed.

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Manuel Lopez	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Shirley Ibarra	X		
Abel Martinez Jr.	X		
Cynthia Ramirez	X		

Stacey Alderete	X		
Ernesto Arrellano Jr.	X		

2. 2022-2023 Pay and Compensation Plan Amendment

Henry Yzaguirre, Superintendent, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

Mrs. Ramirez moved to approve the item as presented, Mrs. Alderete seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0. Motion passed.

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Manuel Lopez	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Shirley Ibarra	X		
Abel Martinez Jr.	X		
Cynthia Ramirez	X		
Stacey Alderete	X		
Ernesto Arrellano Jr.	X		

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. Discussion concerning personnel matters involving former Trustee Gilbert F. Rodriguez, and matters thereto.
3. Consultation with Attorney regarding status of pending TEA investigations and matters related thereto.
 Start time: 8:11 PM.
 End time: 9:53 PM.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Reconvene from Executive Session for action relative to items considered during Executive Session

Mr. Lopez made a motion: I move that the Board finalize the pending investigation and direct the Superintendent to deliver the report to the appropriate agencies, Mr. Martinez seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0. Motion passed.

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Manuel Lopez	X		
Homer Flores	X		
Shirley Ibarra	X		
Abel Martinez Jr.	X		
Cynthia Ramirez	X		
Stacey Alderete	X		
Ernesto Arrellano Jr.	X		

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Alderete moved to adjourn the meeting, Mrs. Ramirez seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:54 PM.

ATTEST

Ernesto Arrellano Jr., Board President

Homer Flores, 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.

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