

Minutes of Special Meeting
The Board of Trustees
Uvalde Consolidated Independent School District

The Board of Trustees met to conduct the Special Meeting on July 17, 2025 at 6:00 pm at the Benson Boardroom, 601 Dean St, Uvalde, TX 78801

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by 6:00 pm.

A. A roll call and establishment of quorum.

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

Staff present: Ashley Chohlis, Amy Graeber, Pam Bendele, Mikka Sanchez, Edward Puente, David Zamora, Cash Keith, Mario Rangel

Guests present: Simon Ortiz, Buddy Negli, Jenny Russell, Erika Munoz, Hali Mecklin, Tina Quintanilla, Priscilla Moreno, Sergio Porras, Diana Olvedo Karau

B. Moment of Silence

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

C. The invocation was led by Jaclyn Gonzales.

D. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags of the United States of America and the State of Texas were led by the board of trustees.

2. Open Forum

The following spoke in open forum:

- Simon Ortiz - Item 7
- Diana Olvedo -Karau - Items 3 and 7

3. Interview applicants interested in serving on the School Board of Trustees to fill the At-Large unexpired term until the next election

The following individuals were interviewed in open session:

Jennifer McGough Russell, Erika Ayala Munoz, Tina Ann Quintanilla, Norma Esparza Carranza (via zoom), and Eliana Patricia Romero (via zoom).

4. 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 7:29pm.

A. Deliberation regarding appointment to fill the At-Large vacancy created by a resignation

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

The board reconvened at 8:08 pm.

A. Consider and take possible action on the appointment of a nominee to fill the At-Large unexpired term

The motion was made by Robert Quinones and seconded by Jaclyn Gonzales to appoint Erika Ayala Munoz to fill the At-large unexpired term until the next election. The motion was carried unanimously.

6. Consider approval of 2025-2026 board goals

The motion was made by JJ Suarez and seconded Javier Flores to adopt the 2025-2026 board goals as presented. The motion was carried unanimously.

7. Discuss and consider approval of Budget scenarios for planning 2025-2026 Budget
Administration recommends the 90% model of 2024-2025

The motion was made by Robert Quinones and seconded to use the 3100. RG/JG for, LP/JR/JF against, JS abstained. The motion did not carry 2/3

The motion was made by JJ Suarez and seconded by Javier Flores to go with 2934 as presented by the CFO. JS/JF/LP for, RQ/JG/JR against. The motion did not carry 3-3

The motion was made by Jaclyn Gonzales and seconded by Jesse Rizo to go with 3097. JG/JR/RQ/LP for and JS/JF against. The motion carries 4-2.

Trustees shared concerns on attendance, truancy, raises, avoiding a reduction in force, district properties, and not enough teachers.

8. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:16pm

Board Secretary

Date