

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

The Board of Trustees met to conduct the Special Meeting on August 27, 2026 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: Jesse Rizo, Jaclyn Gonzales, Erika Munoz, Natalie Arias, Jason Cortez Fernando Fernandez, Sergio Ortiz

Staff present: Dr. Juan M. Hinojosa, Mikka Sanchez, Mario Rangel, Edward Puente, Edward Puente, David Zamora, Estella Sanchez

Guests present: Jill Stoy, Steve Stoy, Hali Mecklin, Amber King, Cody Smith, JJ Suarez, Laura Perez, Alana Gatto, Jody Gato

B. Moment of Silence

A moment of silence was held for 21 seconds to honor our 21 beautiful souls

C. Invocation

The invocation was led by Trustee Erika Munoz.

D. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags of the United States of America and the State of Texas

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board of Trustees.

2. Open Forum

No one spoke in Open Forum

3. Closed Session: A closed session will be held under Provisions of Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Sections 551.071 and 551.074.

The board met in closed session at 6:04 pm.

The board met in closed session at 7:04 pm.

At this time, the board will reconvene into closed session pursuant to sections 551.074 and 551.071 to seek further legal guidance and counsel on the contract negotiations and processes during the 21-day waiting period. We do not anticipate any further board action will be taken after the conclusion of closed session.

A. Section 551.074 and 551.071 – Consider and deliberate the employment of a public officer or employee including the position of Superintendent and seek legal advice as necessary.

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

A. Consideration and Possible Action to Name a Lone Finalist for Superintendent.

The board reconvened at 6:51 pm.

As we previously shared, the law requires the position of Superintendent to be posted internally for a minimum of five school days. In accordance with this requirement, the District posted the position on August 18 and accepted applications through the end of business today.

At this time, Jesse Rizo made the motion to approve the selection of Dr. Juan Hinojosa as the Lone Finalist for Superintendent of Uvalde Consolidated Independent School District. In the interim, and to approve an extension of his interim contract until September 21, 2026. The motion was seconded by Sergio Ortiz. Sergio Ortiz, Erika Munoz, Jesse Rizo, Jaclyn Gonzales, Natalie Arias, Jason Cortez and Fernando Fernandez all voted in favor. The motion was carried unanimously 7/01.

The board reconvened at 9:19 pm.

5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 pm on August 27, 2026

Board President

Date