Southwest Independent School District
Board of Trustees
Minutes of Regular Meeting
August 18, 2026
6:00 p.m.

I. Call meeting to order/Roll call

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Southwest ISD was held Tuesday, August 18, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Central Office Building No. 400, 11914 Dragon Lane, San Antonio, Texas.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board Vice President, Ida Sudolcan

The following Trustees were present: *Florinda Bernal, Daniel Carrillo, Jose Diaz, James Gonzalez, Ida Sudolcan, and James Sullivan*

The following Trustees were absent: *Sylvester Vasquez Jr.*

II. Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance

Roger Campos gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

III. Recognitions

Special recognitions went out to two Friends of Southwest ISD; Jeanne Russell, Executive Director of CAST Schools and Carla Medina, Director at Large for the Southwest ISD Education Foundation. Both individuals received a recognition plaque and a leaf on the district Friends of Southwest ISD tree.

IV. Public general comments and/or comments related to posted agenda items.

There were no citizens signed up to address the Board

V. Consent Agenda
- V.A. Review approval of minutes:
  - V.A.1. Regular meeting of July 21, 2026
  - V.A.2. Special meeting of August 5, 2026
- V.B. Consider approval of overnight trips.
  - V.B.1. Consider approval of Southwest High School 2026-2027 Overnight Trip to Dallas, TX
  - V.B.2. Consider approval of an overnight trip for the students of BCE, BHE, ECE, HCSA, JAE, KRSA, and SVE to attend Outdoor Education at YMCA Camp Twin Lakes
- V.C. Board amendment
- V.D. Consider approval for purchase Eduphoria

V.E. Consider approval for purchase NWEA MAP Growth and Reading Fluency

V.F. Consider approval of technology purchases for the 2026-2027 school year.

V.G. Consider approval of E-Rate 30 application and RFP method to secure bids.

V.H. Consider approval of District-wide dumpster service.

V.I. Consider approval of uniform and dust mop service.

V.J. Consider approval of an increase in Adult Meal Prices for the 2026-2027 school year.

V.K. Consider approval of the Resolution for Bexar-County 4H for the 2026-2027 school year.

V.L. Consider approval of the 2026-2027 Purchase from College Board.

V.M. Consider approval of purchase of 95 Phonics.

V.N. Consider approval of the renewal purchase of Imagine Learning for the 2026-2027 school year.

V.O. Consider approval of the 2026-2027 STARBASE Kelly MOU

V.P. Consider approval of a resolution adopting investment policy, strategy, and broker/dealer list.

V.Q. Consider approval of Summit K-12 License Renewal.

V.R. Consider approval of the 2026-2027 Student Code of Conduct.

V.S. Consider approval of TTESS2 appraisers for the 2026-2027 school year.

V.T. Consider approval of the 2026-2027 hazardous routes.

V.U. Consider approval of membership renewal in the Walsh Gallegos retainer program for legal services.

Board action: *Mrs. Bernal moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Gonzalez seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor; the motion carried.*

Sylvester Vasquez Jr.	ABSENT
Ida Sudolcan	YES
Florinda Bernal	YES
James Sullivan Jr.	YES
Daniel Carrillo	YES
Jose Diaz	YES
James Gonzalez	YES

VI. Items of Information

VI.A. Construction update
Elm Creek Elementary final projects

VI.B. Monthly tax report
Presented by Acting Superintendent, Brandon Crisp

VI.C. Monthly financial report
Presented by Acting Superintendent, Brandon Crisp

VI.D. Monthly investment report
Included for review

VI.E. Report on gifts & bequests

Included for review

VI.F. Enrollment report

Included for review

VI.G. Review purchases over $100,000

Included for review

VI.H. Budget and Tax Rate Update

Presented by Chief Financial Officer, Scott Stephens

VI.I. Middle School Sports Update

Presented by Athletic Director, Peter Wagner

VI.J. 2026-2027 Student & Parent Handbook

Presented by Executive Director of Pupil Services

VII. Administration & Human Resources

No items under this section.

VIII. Business & Finance

VIII.A. Consider approval of the date for a public hearing to discuss the 2026-2027 proposed budget and 2026 tax rate.

Acting Superintendent, Brandon Crisp, presented.

Board action: *Mr. Carrillo moved to approve the date of August 27, 2026 for a public hearing to discuss the 2026-2027 proposed budget and 2026 tax rate. Mr. Diaz seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor; the motion carried.*

Sylvester Vasquez Jr.	ABSENT
Ida Sudolcan	YES
Florinda Bernal	YES
James Sullivan Jr.	YES
Daniel Carrillo	YES
Jose Diaz	YES
James Gonzalez	YES

VIII.B. Consider approval of the date to finalize the 2025-2026 final budget amendment and adopt the 2026-2027 budget and tax rate.

Acting Superintendent, Brandon Crisp, presented.

Board action: *Mr. Carrillo moved to approve the date of August 27, 2026 to finalize the 2025-2026 final budget amendment and adopt the 2026-2027 budget and tax rate. Mr. Diaz seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor; the motion carried.*

Sylvester Vasquez Jr.	ABSENT
Ida Sudolcan	YES
Florinda Bernal	YES
James Sullivan Jr.	YES
Daniel Carrillo	YES
Jose Diaz	YES
James Gonzalez	YES

VIII.C. Consider approval to amend the 2026-2027 Compensation Manual.
Acting Superintendent, Brandon Crisp, presented.

Board action: *Mr. Sullivan moved to approve amending the 2026-2027 Compensation Manual as presented. Mr. Gonzalez seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor; the motion carried.*

Sylvester Vasquez Jr.	ABSENT
Ida Sudolcan	YES
Florinda Bernal	YES
James Sullivan Jr.	YES
Daniel Carrillo	YES
Jose Diaz	YES
James Gonzalez	YES

VIII.D. Consider approval of the 2026 certified and supplemental appraisal roll.
Acting Superintendent, Brandon Crisp, presented.

Board action: *Mr. Diaz moved to approve the 2026 certified and supplemental appraisal roll as presented. Mr. Carrillo seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor; the motion carried.*

Sylvester Vasquez Jr.	ABSENT
Ida Sudolcan	YES
Florinda Bernal	YES
James Sullivan Jr.	YES
Daniel Carrillo	YES
Jose Diaz	YES
James Gonzalez	YES

VIII.E. Consider approval of property, casualty, and liability insurance for the 2026-2027 school year.
Acting Superintendent, Brandon Crisp, presented.

Board action: *Mr. Diaz moved to approve the property, casualty, and liability insurance for the 2026-2027 school year as presented. Mr. Carrillo seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor; the motion carried.*

Sylvester Vasquez Jr.	ABSENT
Ida Sudolcan	YES
Florinda Bernal	YES
James Sullivan Jr.	YES
Daniel Carrillo	YES
Jose Diaz	YES
James Gonzalez	YES

IX. Curriculum & Instruction
No items under this section.

X. Special Programs
No items under this section.

XI. Closed session
As permitted by Sections, 551.001-551.146 of the Texas Government Code (the Open Meetings Law).

Board President Vasquez announced as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.001-551.146 the Board would convene in closed session at 6:42 p.m.

XI.A. Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.074, discussion on personnel and administrator employment, resignations, reassignments, leaves of absence, contract renewals.

XI.B. Pursuant to 551.076 of the Texas Government Code, deliberation regarding implementation of security personnel, security devices, and security audits.

XII. Reconvene from closed session for action relative to items considered during closed session.

The Board reconvened in open session at 7:29 p.m. and took the following action:

XII.A. Superintendent's recommendations on personnel and administrator employment, resignations, reassignments, leaves of absence, contract renewals

Board action: *Mrs. Bernal moved to approve the superintendent's recommendations on personnel and administrator employment, resignations, reassignments, leaves of absence, contract renewals as discussed in closed session. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor; the motion carried.*

Sylvester Vasquez Jr.	ABSENT
Ida Sudolcan	YES
Florinda Bernal	YES
James Sullivan Jr.	YES
Daniel Carrillo	YES
Jose Diaz	YES
James Gonzalez	YES

XII.B. Consider approval to certify the district three-year safety and security audit.

Board action: *Mrs. Bernal moved to certify the district three-year safety and security audit as discussed in closed session. Mr. Diaz seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor; the motion carried.*

Sylvester Vasquez Jr.	ABSENT
Ida Sudolcan	YES
Florinda Bernal	YES
James Sullivan Jr.	YES
Daniel Carrillo	YES
Jose Diaz	YES
James Gonzalez	YES

XIII. Other business

Superintendent Emeritus, Dr. Ball, shared upcoming district events and invited everyone to the Southwest Baptist Church for a back-to-school mass.

XIV. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Presiding Officer

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Secretary