

# **Minutes of Special Called Board Meeting**

## **The Board of Trustees**

### **Duncanville ISD**

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A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Duncanville ISD was held Thursday, May 28, 2026, at 5:30 PM in the Duncanville ISD Education Plaza, 710 S. Cedar Ridge Drive, Duncanville, TX 75137.

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER AT 5:30 PM**

President Janet Veracruz called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. This meeting was called under the Texas Government Code 551.045.

Let the record show a quorum of Board of Trustees is present, that the meeting has been duly called and that the notice of this meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

The following trustees were in attendance: Carla Fahey, Phil McNeely, DeRon Pelton, and Janet Veracruz.

#### **2. OPENING CEREMONIES**

##### **A. INVOCATION**

President Janet Veracruz

##### **B. PLEDGE TO US FLAG AND TEXAS FLAG**

Board Members

#### **3. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS**

There were no communications from citizens.

#### **4. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ACTION AGENDA ITEMS**

##### **A. Competitive Sealed Proposal (CSP) for RFP# 25-26.019 Merrifield Education Center Renovations**

Mari Zamora

Ms. Mari Zamora presented Competitive Sealed Proposal (CSP) for RP# 25-26-019 Merrifield Education Center Renovations. Good evening, President Veracruz, trustees and Dr. Goree. Thank you so much for your time tonight. I know this was unexpected, so your attention and

your efforts are definitely appreciated.

With the repurposing of Merrifield Education Complex to house PACE and Summit, we solicited proposals for the RFP, request for proposal 25-26.019. Following a non-mandatory pre-proposal conference to review the scope and the requirements, we received and evaluated five submitted proposals in accordance with the established procurement criteria.

Last week, you, the board approved the highest ranked contractor and authorized the district to enter the negotiations. However, during these negotiations, the contractor declined to proceed with the project due to an accounting error on their part. The contractor determined that what they submitted, the total amount was insufficient to do the project, to complete the work. So, they then just withdrew for negotiations. They walked out.

And because of that, according to the procurement guidelines, we're now requesting your approval to enter negotiations with a second-ranked contractor. The competitive seal proposal valuation you have shows that SDB Incorporated is the second-rank proposer.

So, it's a recommendation of the administration that the board consider and take possible action to negotiate and enter into an agreement with SDB Incorporated for the Merrifield Education Center renovations. I'll be happy to address any questions you may have.

Trustee McNeely asked. Are we going to put that other one on the list?

Ms. Zamora replied. Yes. They have already received information from our director of procurement. Our letter of intent has been withdrawn, and they are no longer allowed to participate with Duncanville.

**Trustee McNeely made a motion to consider and take possible action to negotiate and enter into an agreement with SDB, Inc. for the Merrifield Education Center renovations; Trustee Fahey seconded the motion. Motion passes 4-0.**

<b>Board Member Vote</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Jacqueline Culton		absent	
Carla Fahey	X		
Phil McNeely	X		
DeRon Pelton	X		
Janice Savage-Martin		absent	
Janet Veracruz	X		
Vacant			

**5. ADJOURNMENT at 5:34 PM**

**Trustee McNeely made a motion to adjourn; Trustee Pelton seconded the motion.**

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Dr. T. Lamar Goree  
Superintendent of Schools

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Board President

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Board Secretary