

ROBSTOWN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
801 NORTH FIRST STREET
ROBSTOWN, TEXAS 78380

BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FEBRUARY 25, 2026

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Lori Ann Garza, President
Erik Gallegos, Vice-President
Cezar Martinez, Secretary
Mario Mesa, Trustee
Yvette Villalobos, Trustee

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Larry Cantu, Trustee
Bobby Marroquin, Assistant Secretary

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Dr. Marc Puig, Superintendent
Diana Lopez Silvas, Assistant Superintendent
Eva Cisneros, Chief Financial Officer

VISITORS: Matthew Hines
Brandon Carrillo

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM

At 6:00 p.m., President Lori Ann Garza called this meeting of the Robstown Independent School District Board of Trustees to order.

ROLL CALL: Lori Ann Garza – Present, Erik Gallegos – Present, Cezar Martinez – Present, Bobby Marroquin – Absent, Larry Cantu – Absent, Mario Mesa – Present and Yvette Villalobos – Present

Present – 5

Absent – 2

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

2.0 MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAYER

Dr. Marc Puig led the audience and the Board in prayer.

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/TEXAS FLAG PLEDGE

President Lori Ann Garza led the board members and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Flag Pledge.

4.0

VISION – OUR VISION IS TO IGNITE BRILLIANCE AND IMPACT LIVES BY PROVIDING TRANSFORMATIVE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES THAT EMPOWER STUDENTS FOR GENERATIONS TO COME

Trustee Cezar Martinez read the following vision statement: “Our vision is to ignite brilliance and impact lives by providing transformative learning opportunities that empower students for generations to come.”

MISSION – TO EMPOWER, INSPIRE, AND INVEST IN OUR STUDENTS AND STAFF, IGNITING THE BEST VERSION OF THEMSELVES. TOGETHER, WE POSITIVELY IMPACT OUR COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD

Trustee Erik Gallegos read the following mission statement: “To empower, inspire, and invest in our students and staff, igniting the best version of themselves. Together, we positively impact our community and the world.”

5.0

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (OPEN FORUM) AS PER POLICY BED (LOCAL)

There was no public participation.

6.0

BOARD WORKSHOP

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ETHICS TRAINING

Dr. Marc Puig informed the Board that Matthew Hines from McCall Parkhurst and Horton would be conducting the Texas ISD Bond Elections Ethics workshop with the the Board. He informed them of the following election ethics/Texas Election Code: 1) Public resources cannot be used to advocate for or against an election outcome, 2) The legislature cannot authorize the grant of public money to private individuals or entities, 3) The legislature cannot authorize a public entity to lend its credit to private individuals or entities, 4) Officers/employees cannot use public funds for, or use internal mail systems to distribute, political advertising, 5) Political advertising is communication supporting or opposing a measure/proposition that is: published, printed, or broadcast for consideration or appears in writing or on a website, 6) The Board of Trustees cannot use public funds to electioneer, coerce teacher participation in groups, or prohibit teacher engagement in political affairs, and 7) Electioneering commonly means to work for the election of a candidate or party. The Texas Penal Code does not allow the following: 1) Persons cannot offer or accept a benefit in exchange for a public servant’s vote, 2) Persons cannot coerce a public servant or voter, and 3) Public servants cannot misuse government property. He reminded them to always remember to consult legal counsel regarding communications during the election process. He also shared information on campaign finance for the school district, campaign signs, website posting requirements for school districts, words to use, public information request, and legal and ethical guidelines for bond elections.

7.0

ADJOURNMENT

Motion #7085 A motion was made by Trustee M. Mesa and seconded by Trustee E. Gallegos to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call

L. Garza – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Absent, L. Cantu - Absent, M. Mesa – Yes, and Y. Villalobos – Yes

Motion carried
7:10 p.m.

Yes – 5

No - 0

Absent – 2

(The details of this meeting are recorded on tape dated 02/25/2026.)