



# Brownsville Independent School District

Agenda Category: Board Member Request Board of Education Meeting: 07/17/2026

Item Title: Restructuring/Reorganization of X Action  
School Board President Information  
(Board Member Request – Minerva Pena) Discussion

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## BACKGROUND:

Restructuring/reorganization of school Board President seat.

Board Member Request: Minerva Peña

Board Support: Carlos Elizondo

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Approved for Submission to Board of Education:

Dr Alda T. Benavides  
Prepared by: Interim Superintendent

Recommended by: Interim Superintendent

**Board Member Request**

Dr. Alda T. Benavides  
Interim Superintendent

Approved by: Interim Superintendent

When Necessary, Additional Background May Follow This.

## Patricia Perez

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**From:** Patricia Perez  
**Sent:** Monday, July 13, 2026 8:34 AM  
**To:** Patricia Perez  
**Subject:** FW: Fwd: Special Board Meeting

FYI: Board of Trustees  
Interim Superintendent

### Board Agenda Request – Minerva Pena

**From:** pena4bisd@aol.com <pena4bisd@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 12, 2026 12:12 AM  
**To:** Patricia Perez <pperez@bisd.us>  
**Cc:** Dr. Alda T. Benavides <atbenavides@bisd.us>; Eden Ramirez <eramirez@808west.com>; Frank Ortiz <fortiz@bisd.us>  
**Subject:** Fw: Fwd: Special Board Meeting

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Hello,

Could you please put the two agenda item requests below, to the upcoming special called Board meeting on 07-13-2026.

1. Approval Of New Superintendent Dr. Cuff's contract and start date of 07-20-2026.
2. Restructuring/reorganization of school board president seat.

Respectfully,

Minerva Pena  
BISD Trustee  
956-345-5564

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Begin forwarded message:

On Saturday, July 11, 2026, 3:52 PM, Patricia Perez <[pperez@bisd.us](mailto:pperez@bisd.us)> wrote:

FYI. Board Agenda Request

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**From:** [pena4bisd@aol.com](mailto:pena4bisd@aol.com) <[pena4bisd@aol.com](mailto:pena4bisd@aol.com)>

**Sent:** Saturday, 11 July 2026 14:57:39

**To:** Daniella Lopez-Valdez <[dlopez-valdez@bisd.us](mailto:dlopez-valdez@bisd.us)>; Eden Ramirez <[eramirez@808west.com](mailto:eramirez@808west.com)>

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On Saturday, July 11, 2026, 2:54 PM, [pena4bisd@aol.com](mailto:pena4bisd@aol.com) wrote:

Good Afternoon,

I am in agreement with the Special called meeting request called for by Frank Ortiz.

I too, want to request that we have a special called meeting on Friday, July 17, 2026 at 5 p.m.

Respectfully,

Minerva Pena  
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856-345-5564

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On Saturday, July 11, 2026, 2:47 PM, Frank Ortiz <[fortiz@bisd.us](mailto:fortiz@bisd.us)> wrote:

Good afternoon BISD Board President, Daniella Lopez-Valdez:

As pursuant to Board Local Policy BE Local, we are requesting a Special Board Meeting for Friday, July 17, 2026, in order to approve the Superintendent's contract. This request is being made by two Board Members pursuing the Board Policy and the meeting would have to be posted no later than Monday, July 13, 2026.

## Patricia Perez

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**From:** Carlos Elizondo  
**Sent:** Monday, July 13, 2026 11:28 AM  
**To:** Patricia Perez  
**Subject:** Re: Fwd: Special Board Meeting

I approve the agenda items.

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**From:** Patricia Perez <pperez@bisd.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, 13 July 2026 08:34:03  
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