

BANQUETE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
4339 FOURTH STREET
BANQUETE, TEXAS 78339

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
August 14, 2025

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Omar Ramirez, President
Mr. Humberto Perez – Vice President
Mrs. Carla Ramirez – Secretary
Mr. Gerardo “Dado” Pena – Trustee
Mr. Benjamin Ramirez – Trustee
Mrs. Billie King – Trustee
Ms. Anya “Nikki” Cantu - Trustee

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Mrs. Adriana Tagle - Superintendent
Mr. Adrian Pena - Asst. Superintendent/CFO
Mrs. Kenna Moody - Asst. Superintendent T&I

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER, ROLL CALL & ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Omar Ramirez called order of the Banquet ISD SPECIAL CALLED Board Meeting at 6:00 PM

2. INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, MISSION & VISION

Carla Ramirez and Omar Ramirez led the board members and audience in the invocation, pledge of allegiance, mission & vision statement

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

In accordance with board policy BED LOCAL, the Banquete ISD Board of Trustees welcomes comments from citizens on any agenda items or non-agenda items at any regular scheduled board meeting. In the event of a special board meeting/board workshop, public comments will be limited to agenda items only. Those wishing to address the school board must provide their name for the record and observe a three-minute time limit. During this time, the Board of Trustees may not respond to the citizens' concerns as per the Texas Open Meetings Act.

No public participation

4. ACTION ITEMS

A. Discuss and Consider Approval of Policy Update 125

Motion made by CARLA RAMIREZ and Seconded by BILLIE KING to Approve Policy Update 125.

Motion Carried 7-0

B. Discuss and Consider Approval of the 2025-2026 Banquete ISD Student Dress Code

Discussion: No maximum sentence to ISS, Teachers will need to submit a formal written request for student removal. Benjamin Ramirez inquired about how the district will inform parents of the importance of student attendance. Mrs. Tagle is working on making a dashboard available for the community to see how much money the district is losing due to absences.

Motion made by HUMBERTO PEREZ and Seconded by BENJAMIN RAMIREZ to Approve the 2025-2026 Banquet ISD Student Dress Code

Motion Carried 7-0

C. Discuss and Consider Approval of the Use of Innovative Course included in the TEA Approved list.

Discussion: Kenna Moody presented, stating there are no Innovative Courses provided that are not TEA/Board approved.

Motion made by BENJAMIN RAMIREZ and Seconded by CARLA RAMIREZ to Approve Budget Amendment #2025-01 for the Purpose of General Funds.

Motion Carried 7-0

D. Discuss and Consider Action to Opt Out of UIL Participation for Home Schooled Students in Accordance with SB 401.

Motion made by CARLA RAMIREZ and Seconded by BENJAMIN RAMIREZ to Opt Out of the UIL Participation or Homeschooled Students in Accordance with SB 401 and Approve the Resolution.

Motion Carried 7-0

E. Discuss and Consider Approval of the 2025-2026 Child Nutrition A La Carte price changes.

Discussion: Adrian Pena presented the price changes. Anya Cantu motioned to amend the water price to \$1.00 and amend the soda price to \$1.75 and approve all other Nutrition A La Carte prices as presented.

Motion made by CARLA RAMIREZ and Seconded by BILLIE KING to Approve the water price to \$1.00 and soda price to \$1.75 and all other Nutrition A La Carte prices as presented.

Motion Carried 7-0

F. Discuss and Consider Approval of the 2025-2026 Child Nutrition Adult Meal Prices.

Motion made by CARLA RAMIREZ and Seconded by HUMBERTO PEREZ to Approve the 2025-2026 Child Nutrition Adult Meal Prices

Motion Carried 7-0

G. Discuss and Consider Approval of the 2025-2026 Auto, Cyber and Liability Insurance.

Motion made by BENJAMIN RAMIREZ and Seconded by CARLA RAMIREZ to Approve the 2025-2026 Auto, Cyber and Liability Insurance.

Motion Carried 7-0

H. Discuss and Consider Approval of Property and Windstorm Insurance.

Discussion: Adrian Pena presented and stated approval is for renewal only.

Motion made by CARLA RAMIREZ and Seconded by HUMBERTO PEREZ to Approve the Property and Windstorm Insurance - renewal only.

Motion Carried 7-0

I. Discuss and Consider Approval of the 2025 Audit Engagement Letter

Motion made by BENJAMIN RAMIREZ and Seconded by HUMBERTO PEREZ to Approve the 2025 Audit Engagement Letter

Motion Carried 7-0

J. Discuss and Consider Approval of an Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit (option 3 agreement) and to delegate contractual authority to the Superintendent.

Motion made by BENJAMIN RAMIREZ and Seconded by BILLIE KING to Approve Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit (option 3 agreement) and to delegate contractual authority to the Superintendent. For the 2025-2026 school year, we delegated contractual authority to obligate the school district under Texas Education Code (TEC) §11.1511(c)(4) to the superintendent, solely for the purpose of obligating the district under TEC, §48.257 and TEC, Chapter 49, Subchapters A and D, and the rules adopted by the commissioner of education as authorized under TEC, 49.006. This included approval of the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit, the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit (Netting Chapter 48 Funding) or the Agreement for Purchase of Attendance Credit and Netting Chapter 48 Funding.

Motion Carried 7-0

The meeting recessed at **7:25 PM** and resumed at **7:38 PM**.

5. Budget Workshop

A. Discuss and Consider Approval of Policy Update 125

Information only

6. CLOSED SESSION:

9:25 PM

Public notice is given that the District may go into a closed meeting (executive session) at any time during the meeting in order to discuss matters listed on the agenda, when authorized by the provision of the Texas Government Code. In the event the District elects to go into a closed meeting reading any agenda item, the section or sections of the Open Meetings Act authorizing the closed meeting will be publicly announced by the presiding officer. The subjects listed below will be the items upon which formal action may be taken. The subjects do not have to be taken in the order listed here but may be brought up in any order at the discretion of the board.

A. §551.074 - Personnel Matters

B. §551.071 - Consultation with Attorney

C. §551.076 - Security Devices or Security Audits

D. §551.072 - Real Property

E. §551.0821 - Personally Identifiable Student Information

7. OPEN SESSION:

10:43 PM

8A. Discussion and Approval of Appointments, Employments, Evaluations, Resignations, Reassignments, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of Employees

Information only

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by BENJAMIN RAMIREZ and Seconded by GERARDO PENA to Adjourn the SPECIAL CALLED Board Meeting at 10:43 pm.

Motion Carried 7-0

Omar Ramirez, President

ATTEST: _____

Carla Ramirez, Secretary