

**SABINAL ISD**  
School Board Meeting  
March 4, 2024

Board Members Present: Nancy Ortiz-Rodriguez, Andres Guevara, Raquel Esquivel, and Bernardo Garcia Jr.,  
Board Members Absent: Karen Davis, Danny Gonzales, and Mike Hawkes.  
Administration Present: Richard W. Grill, Superintendent; Steve Alvarado, High School Principal; Jean Ann Chisum, Assistant Principal; Jeff Kowalski, Athletic Director; Deanna Musquiz, Business Manager; and Maggie Lopez, Secretary to the Board.  
Guests Present: Student Athletes.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Sabinal Independent School District was held, March 4, 2024, beginning at 6:00 PM in the High School Library building.

1. Call. President Bernardo Garcia called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and determined that a quorum was present.
2. Recognitions of Fall semester extra-curricular programs: Jeff Kowalski introduced several football players and announced their accomplishments. He also reported that Diego Valdez was selected as the MVP; one Academic All-District honors; and one selected to the San Antonio Sports.

Coach Kowalski reported to have one Regional Finalist in cross-county.

Coach Kowalski reported that the majority of the girls had gone to the District One Act Play meet this evening.

Coach Boone introduced a student and announced the girls' basketball team accomplishments.

3. Public Comment. None.
4. Consent Agenda Items.
  - A. Approved minutes of the February 12<sup>th</sup>, February 19<sup>th</sup>, February 20<sup>th</sup> and February 27, 2024, Board Meetings.
  - B. Reviewed monthly Financial Investment reports.
  - C. Reviewed monthly Technology report.
  - D. Approved the Certification of Unopposed Candidates and declare Nancy Ortiz-Rodriguez and Allen Tinker as elected.
  - E. Approved the Order of Cancellation of the May 4, 2024, General Election.
  - F. Approved the proposed 2024-2025 School Calendar.

Andres Guevara made the motion and seconded by Nancy Ortiz-Rodriguez to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Superintendent Richard W. Grill reported on the following:
  - Event Center update. The Event Center has been completed with a few punch list items. The restriping of the HS parking lot over spring break; equipment purchases for the gym,

upgrades to the HS stage and a storage building for theater arts is still pending. Presented the "Near Final" Event Center budget report.

- The district will be hosting Junior High and High School track meets on March 6<sup>th</sup> and March 7<sup>th</sup>, which will coincide with a tennis tournament.
- Reminder of March 25<sup>th</sup> Special School Board Meeting and reviewed the timelines for the transfer of Leadership of Dr. Edgar Camacho, new superintendent.
- Provided additional monthly reports.
- Reminder of upcoming school board training sessions.

6. At 6:10 pm the Board moved into closed session pursuant to TX Gov. Code 551.074, to deliberate on Administrators and Professional Support contracts and salary for 2024-2025.

At 6:15 pm the Board reconvened into open session.

7. Facility Improvement to HS Stage. Raquel Esquivel made a motion and seconded by Nancy Ortiz-Rodriguez to approve the recommendation of the superintendent to replace the high school stage curtains and not to exceed \$48,000 in accordance with policy CH (LOCAL). Motion passed unanimously.

Raquel Esquivel made a motion seconded by Nancy Ortiz-Rodriguez to approve the recommendation of the superintendent to replace the high school stage lighting system not to exceed \$80,000 in accordance with policy CH (LEGAL). Motion passed unanimously.

8. Personnel: Administrators and Professional Support 2024-2025 contract and salary. Nancy Ortiz-Rodriguez made a motion and seconded by Andres Guevara to approve the Superintendent's recommendation for the following administrators and directors based on TASB's salary market analysis; Steve Alvarado, Adriana Beza, Nikki Joslin, Jeff Kowalski, Jean Ann Chisum, Deanna Musquiz, and Howard Karre. Motion passed unanimously.
9. Adjournment. Andres Guevara made a motion and seconded by Raquel Esquivel to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

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President Date

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Secretary Date