



IDEA Public Schools
2115 W. Pike Blvd.
Weslaco, Texas 78596

Board of Directors Workshop
Meeting Minutes
March 26, 2026

Board Members Present: Ed Rivera, Collin Sewell, Dr. Nanette Cocero, David Dunn, Theresa Barrera-Shaw, Connie Miner, Naj Atkinson, Ryan Green

Theresa Barrera-Shaw left the meeting at 10:40 am CST and rejoined the meeting at 10:42am CST.

Board Members Not Present: Erich Holmsten Lilya Matos, Gary Lindgren, Stacy Eng

Staff, Counsel, and Consultants Present: Dr. Jeffrey Cottrill, Dolores Gonzalez, Cody Grindle, Jessica Hess, Layne Fisher, Martin Winchester, Bethany Solis, Ryan Bennett, Tony Kingman, Dr. Colleen Stearns, Alejandra Loya, Genevieve Cheng, Hector Leiva, Jacklyn Verdin, Kaitlin McDermott, Kelly Andrews, Rebeccah Lyles, Robyn Birkla, Dr. David Lee, Eduardo Sesatty, Fidel Ozuna III, Elizabeth Valades.

Audience Present: None

The workshop was called to order at 9:03 AM CST.

Workshop

A public hearing was conducted by Dolores Gonzalez, Deputy Superintendent, to present the annual Texas Academic Performance Report in accordance to Texas law and TEA guidelines.

Next, the board received a workshop on the 25-26 District Improvement Plan. Dr. Colleen Stearns, Chief Academic Officer, presented the first goal regarding students meeting their reading proficiency growth and the second goal of district earning an A. Next, Martin Winchester, Chief Human Assets Officer, presented the third goal of increasing staff retention. Layne Fisher, Deputy Superintendent of Operations & Chief Operating Officer, presented the fourth goal regarding Average Daily Attendance, and Kaitlin McDermott, Chief of Staff to the Deputy Superintendent, presented the last goal regarding student persistence.

Adjournment

The workshop adjourned at 10:57AM CST.

I certify that the foregoing are the true and correct minutes of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of IDEA Public Schools held on March 26, 2026.

Signed by:

Eduardo Rivera

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Ed Rivera, Board Secretary

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Date Signed