

AMENDED AGENDA

The amended agenda includes revisions to the previously posted agenda and reflects the changes made on July 23, 2026.



LAREDO COLLEGE DISTRICT - Fort McIntosh Campus Regular Monthly Board Meeting of Laredo College Thursday, July 30, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

In compliance with state law, the public is hereby notified that the Board of Trustees of the Laredo College District will have a regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting on Thursday, July 30, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Adolfo C. and Maria de Jesus De La Garza Building Room 101, at the Fort McIntosh Campus, West End Washington Street, Laredo, Texas. Laredo College District intends to and will have a quorum of the Board of Trustees present in the Adolfo C. and Maria de Jesus De La Garza Building Room 101.

Members of the public and Laredo College employees who wish to view a live-stream of the Board meeting may access it by clicking on the following YouTube link:

<http://www.youtube.com/@laredopalominos>

REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING – AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Testimony – *Individuals who wish to participate during the portion of the meeting designated for public comment shall sign up in person at least 15 minutes before the meeting begins and shall indicate the agenda item or topic on which they wish to address the Board. An individual's comments to the Board shall not exceed three minutes per meeting. The presiding officer may adjust the time allotted to each speaker. (LC Board Policy BDB(LOCAL)-Board Meetings: Public Participation)*
4. RECOGNITIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS – *Mr. Ruben Villarreal*
 - 4.A. Recognition of Women's City Club's Donor Legacy through Five Endowments and Ongoing Commitment to Laredo College
5. INFORMATION ITEMS
 - 5.A. Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Leadership - Certificate in Leadership Program Study Abroad Report – *Dr. Marissa Guerrero*
 - 5.B. Student Success Report – *Dr. David V. Arreazola/Ms. Jessica Treviño*
 - 5.C. National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) Annual Conference Report – *Mr. Esteban Rangel*
 - 5.D. Report on the Aspen Collaborative/Counseling Taskforce – *Dr. David V. Arreazola/Ms. Jessica Treviño*
 - 5.E. Notification of Employee Compensation During Closure Due to Inclement Weather as Per Laredo College Policy DEA(LOCAL)-COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS: COMPENSATION PLAN – *Dr. Minita Ramírez*
 - 5.F. Foreign Trade Zone Designation Requests – *Dr. Minita Ramírez*

- 5.G. U.S. Trademark Registration and Palomino Trademark Status – *Dr. Diana Y. Ortiz*
- 5.H. Presentation of 2026-2027 Student Handbooks for Division of Academic Affairs – *Dr. Marisela Rodriguez Tijerina*
- 5.I. S&P Global Ratings Upgrade of Laredo College Credit Rating – *Mr. Cesar Vela*

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- 6.A. Approval of Endowment Matching Funds in Accordance with the Donor Request of the Women's City Club – *Dr. Diana Ortiz*
- 6.B. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting of May 28, 2026 and June 25, 2026 Board Budget Workshop and Retreat
- 6.C. June 2026 Financial Report – *Mr. Cesar Vela*
- 6.D. May 2026 Quarterly Investment Report – *Mr. Cesar Vela*
- 6.E. Act on Board Policy CAK(LOCAL)–Appropriations and Revenue Sources: Investments – *Mr. Cesar Vela*
- 6.F. Consideration and Approval of the Purchase of Computer Equipment for the Associate Degree Nursing Program – *Mr. Cesar Vela*
- 6.G. Consideration and Approval of the Rental of a Temporary Chiller for the South Campus – *Mr. Cesar Vela*
- 6.H. Consideration and Approval of a Contract for the Fabrication and Installation of a Metal Perimeter Fence at the South Campus – *Mr. Cesar Vela/Mr. Wicho Tijerina*
- 6.I. Approval to Attend the Laredo Chamber Foundation *Strengthening Nonprofit Leadership & Governance* Training – *Ms. Jackie Leven-Ramos*
- 6.J. Approve Proposed Amendment to Laredo College Board Policy BBH(LOCAL) BOARD MEMBERS: CONVENTIONS, CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS to Add the Association of Governing Boards (AGB) National Conference on Trusteeship to the List of Conferences Board Members are Authorized to Attend – *Ms. Jackie Leven-Ramos*
- 6.K. Approve Proposed Amendment to Laredo College Board Policy BBD(LOCAL)BOARD MEMBERS: ORIENTATION AND TRAINING to Add the Association of Governing Boards (AGB) Board Member Training Modules and Lessons to the List of Authorized Orientation and Training Content Topics – *Ms. Jackie Leven-Ramos*
- 6.L. Approve Proposed Amendment to the Laredo College Board Procedures Manual to Add the Amendments to Laredo College Board Policies BBH(LOCAL) BOARD MEMBERS: CONVENTIONS, CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOP and BBD(LOCAL)BOARD MEMBERS: ORIENTATION AND TRAINING – *Ms. Jackie Leven-Ramos*
- 6.M. Approval of Designated Nonbusiness Days for Purposes of the Texas Public Information Act – *Dr. David V. Arreazola*
- 6.N. TASB Board Policy Update 51: Review Updated LEGAL Policies and Act on LOCAL Policies (see list below) – *Dr. David V. Arreazola*

POLICY

BBC(LOCAL): BOARD MEMBERS - VACANCIES AND REMOVAL FROM OFFICE
 BGC(LOCAL): ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION - COUNCILS AND FACULTY SENATES
 CS(LOCAL): INFORMATION SECURITY
 FB(LOCAL): ADMISSIONS
 FDA(LOCAL): TUITION AND FEES - RESIDENCY

ACTION

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- 6.O. Order Calling for the Election for Board of Trustees Positions 7, 8, and 9 as per Board Policy BBB(LEGAL): BOARD MEMBERS-ELECTIONS, the Texas Election Code, and the Texas Education Code and Authorizing the College President to Enter in to a Joint Election Services Contract with the Webb County Elections Administrator to Conduct and Supervise the Joint Elections of November 3, 2026 – *Dr. Veronica G. Martinez*
- 6.P. Approve Modifications to Laredo College Board Policy DMB(LOCAL)-TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT: TENURE – *Dr. Marisela Rodriguez Tijerina*
- 6.Q. Approve Modifications to Laredo College Board Policy DCB(LOCAL)-EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES: TENURE – *Dr. Marisela Rodriguez Tijerina*

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 7.A. Consultation with the College District Attorney Concerning the Grievance Process in a Pending Personnel Matter, Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 and 551.074
- 7.B. Discussion Concerning the Board of Trustees' Executive Session Meeting Held on November 19, 2025, Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 and 551.074
- 7.C. Consultation With Legal Counsel Regarding External Law Firm Report on Board Governance Matters and Issues Related Thereto, Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071

8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- 8.A. Grievance Process Being Used in Pending Personnel Matter
- 8.B. Board of Trustees' Executive Session Meeting Held on November 19, 2025
- 8.C. Action Regarding External Law Firm Report Recommendations on Board Governance Matters and Related Issues

9. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS AND REPORTS

- 9.A. Campus Police, Personnel, and Travel Reports – *Dr. Minita Ramirez*
- 9.B. President's Remarks on Recent Happenings in the Community – *Dr. Minita Ramirez*

10. Upcoming Events: Saturday, August 1, 2026, 7:00 p.m. – Flamenco Fest Tablao: Sobre Las Tablas at the Kazen Student Center

Monday, August 17, 2026, 8:30 a.m. – Laredo College Employee Convocation at the Martinez Fine Arts Center

Monday, August 17, 2026, 10:30 a.m. – Laredo College Employee Recognition Ceremony at the Martinez Fine Arts Center

11. Next Meeting Dates: Thursday, August 6, 2026, 6:00 p.m. – Special Called Board Meeting

Thursday, August 20, 2026, 6:00 p.m. – Regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting

12. Adjournment

***Board members will meet informally for dinner prior to or after the meeting.
Although a quorum may be present, no College business is discussed.***

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

On this day, July 23, 2026, this notice was posted to the Laredo College website at <https://www.laredo.edu/about/administration/board-of-trustees/agendas%20and%20meetings.html> and on a bulletin board located at the Elpha Lee West Building on the Laredo College District's Fort McIntosh Campus, West End Washington Street, Laredo, Texas.

Dr. Minita Ramírez
President

Public Notice is given that the Board may elect to go into executive session at any time during the meeting in order to discuss matters listed in the agenda when authorized by provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapter D and E, regardless of whether the particular agenda item identifies a potential closed meeting.