



**LAREDO COLLEGE DISTRICT**

Laredo, Texas

The Workshop of the Laredo College Board of Trustees convened on Saturday, April 11, 2026, beginning at 10:01 a.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.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Rangel called the meeting to order.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Ms. Leven-Ramos called roll.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Esteban Rangel, President

Ernestina “Tita” Cantu Vela, Vice President

Jackie Leven-Ramos, Secretary

Cindy Liendo, Parliamentarian

Erica Benavides Garcia

Mercurio Martinez, Jr.

Lizzy Newsome (*arrived during executive session*)

OTHERS

Minita Ramirez, Ph.D.

Rusty Meurer

MEMBERS ABSENT

Adriana Alexander

Karina “Kari” Elizondo

**3. PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

No one signed up for public testimony.

**4. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 10:04 a.m., Ms. Leven-Ramos made a motion to go into executive session on the following item:

- Agenda Item 4.A - Closed Session Meeting with College District Attorney to Discuss Legal Issues Related to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Notice of Interest – Property Located Near Planned Border Barrier Construction Projects, Including Board of Trustees’ Policies CAL(LEGAL) and CAL(LOCAL) — Appropriations and Revenue Sources: Sale, Trade, or Lease of College-Owned Property. Closed Session Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071.

Ms. Liendo seconded the motion; motion carried.

The Board reconvened to open session at 12:02 p.m. Mr. Rangel noted that no action was taken during executive session. He also recognized the presence of Councilwoman Melissa Cigarroa at the meeting.

**5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

**5.A. CONSIDER AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION (CBP) NOTICE OF INTEREST – PROPERTY LOCATED NEAR PLANNED BORDER BARRIER CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

Ms. Leven-Ramos moved that the Laredo College Board of Trustees authorize the College President, Board President Esteban Rangel, Board member Cindy Liendo, and legal counsel to engage in discussions with departments of the U.S. Government and their representatives with the goal of negotiating mutually beneficial terms for an agreement. Mr. Rangel, Ms. Liendo, and the College President would report developments to the Board and seek Board authorization before entering into any final written agreement. Ms. Vela seconded the motion; motion passed.

6. **NEXT MEETING DATE:** Thursday, April 30, 2026, 6:00 p.m. – Regular Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting
7. **ADJOURNMENT** At 12:07 p.m., Ms. Leven-Ramos made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Vela seconded the motion; motion carried.