



SAN ANTONIO ISD District Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 31, 2026

San Antonio ISD District Advisory Council meeting was held on, beginning March at 4:45 p.m., via Zoom.

1. Meeting called to order by Angelique Smith
2. Strategic Management Planning – Ernest Gonzales
 - Ernest Gonzalez (Office of Strategy) introduced a draft handbook to standardize the lifecycle for creating the district's next strategic plan ("Always Learning 2.0") to preserve institutional memory, amplify community voice, clarify roles, and ensure sustainability.
 - The handbook-development process began with eight cross-departmental small groups who designed ideal timelines; their best ideas were synthesized into a single five-phase plan.
 - The five phases: (1) reflect and align with leadership (audit and internal team), (2) collect input (broad survey, grassroots listening tours, targeted dialogues), (3) identify strategic priorities and present to the board, (4) roadshow for feedback and revision, and (5) launch and monitor with a new dashboard and ongoing community check-ins.
 - Attendee feedback and questions focused on survey design (one vs. multiple surveys, role-tailored questions), increasing parent response rates, linking the dashboard to engagement, and using in-person opportunities (games, town halls) to collect survey data.
 - Next steps: finalize the handbook with metrics for success (response targets), clarify survey differentiation and outreach strategies, incorporate dashboard awareness into outreach, and continue collecting stakeholder input via discussion and email.
3. Artificial Intelligence – Rebecca Landa
 - Presenter will discuss AI tools/resources, digital footprints, SB 11 (digital citizenship requirement), proposed SB 2787 (media literacy and identifying AI-manipulated content), and AI use policies—asking for input on next steps for high school AI access.
 - Digital footprints are permanent and affect college/job decisions; district teaches digital citizenship (social interactions, ethics/laws, privacy/safety/security) from Pre-K–12 and tracks completion per SB 11.
 - District actions since 2024: formed AI committee, partnered with COSEN and Hanover Research, revised regs, launched staff AI compliance training and PD, created software-approval processes, and evaluated educational AI tools.

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- Current policy: district restricts personal AI accounts (e.g., ChatGPT prohibited); approved, managed options (Gemini, Copilot, educator tools) are provided to staff. Student access has not been opened for high schoolers yet due to privacy, PII, and filtering/discipline considerations.
- Key decision asked of the group: whether to allow 14–17-year-old high school students controlled access to a district-managed AI tool (e.g., Gemini) with embedded safeguards, linked to strengthened digital-citizenship lessons and enforcement mechanisms.

4. Bond and Building Presentation will be rescheduled.

5. Angelique will send a DAC Survey for the committee to share what topics they would like to know more about for future meetings.

Minutes Approved

The foregoing minutes of the District Advisory Council of the San Antonio Independent School District held on January 21, were duly approved at a meeting held on March 31, 2026. They were properly motioned by Dr. Gracie Bell and seconded by Tori Austin.

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