

ODEM-EDROY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
ONE OWL SQUARE
ODEM, TEXAS 78370

Board of Trustees
August 10, 2026
Regular Meeting
Odem Junior High School Library

SUMMARY BOARD MINUTES

The following items were heard, discussed, and/or action taken at the Regular Meeting on August 10, 2026 . . .

Board Members Present: Mark Moreno-President, Julian Ruiz-Vice-President, Anthony Martinez-Secretary, Allen Beyer-Member, Janie G. Vargas-Member, Max Moreno-Member

Board Members Absent: Jacob Romero-Member

Other Individuals Present: Superintendent Yolanda L. Carr, Christine Garcia-Admin Asst. to Superintendent, Tonya Romero-Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, Jaime Farias-Chief Technology Officer, Jana Kieschnick-Executive Director of Special Programs & Services, Lisa Flores-OHS Principal, Amanda Henley-OJH Principal, Lidamar Yruegas-OIS Principal, Sabrina Gonzales-Athletic Trainer, Eric Wolff-Community Member

Notice of Meeting had been posted in accordance with Government Code Chapter 551, State of Texas Open Meetings Act.

Mission: *Empower Students to be Active Leaders with an Unlimited Future.*

Vision: *Excellence by all measures*

The meeting was called to order by Board President Mark Moreno at 6:30 p.m. at which he declared that a quorum was present. Allen Beyer recited the Invocation followed by the Pledges of Allegiance.

Initially, there were no individuals who wished to address the board under Audience Participation [Policy BED (LOCAL)], therefore, Mr. Moreno continued with the meeting calling for the next item on the Agenda.

Presentations/Reports/Information/Action Items:

- A. Discussion and Possible Action to Consider Approval of Board Meeting Minutes-Regular School Board Meeting of July 13, 2026

•**Action Item**-A motion was made by Julian Ruiz and seconded by Janie G. Vargas to Approve the Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting of July 13, 2026. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

For: Mark Moreno, Julian Ruiz, Anthony Martinez, Allen Beyer, Janie G. Vargas, Max Moreno

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Against: None
Abstain: None

Board President Mark Moreno allowed for Audience Participation [Policy BED (LOCAL)]. Mr. Eric Wolff was in attendance to address the board regarding insurance benefits. He provided the board with a document containing some information that he had researched regarding the insurance benefits and cost factors. As mentioned in the last board meeting, there will be an increase in insurance premiums this upcoming school year. Mr. Wolff asked the board to consider contributing more towards the insurance premiums for those employees who have chosen to obtain health insurance through TRS so that the employee is able to retain the same take home salary or even slightly higher this school year.

- B. Presentation – Discussion and Possible Action to Consider Approving the Concussion Oversight Team for Odem-Edroy ISD for the 2026-2027 School Year as Recommended

•**Action Item**-A motion was made by Max Moreno and seconded by Anthony Martinez to Approve the Concussion Oversight Team for Odem-Edroy ISD for the 2026-2027 School Year as Recommended. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

For: Mark Moreno, Julian Ruiz, Anthony Martinez, Allen Beyer, Janie G. Vargas, Max Moreno

Against: None

Abstain: None

- C. Report – Review of 2026-2027 OEISD Employee Handbook

- D. Information – Resignation of Employee(s)

- E. Report – New Employee/Teacher Hires for the 2026-2027 School Year as Recommended

- F. Presentation – Discussion and Possible Action to Consider Approving the Cybersecurity Policy for Odem-Edroy ISD for the 2026-2027 School Year

•**Action Item**-A motion was made by Max Moreno and seconded by Allen Beyer to Approve the Cybersecurity Policy for Odem-Edroy ISD for 2026-2027 School Year. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

For: Mark Moreno, Julian Ruiz, Anthony Martinez, Allen Beyer, Janie G. Vargas, Max Moreno

Against: None

Abstain: None

- G. Presentation – Business Matters Including Standard Monthly Financial Reports for July 2026, Cash Flow Analysis, Budget Overview

- H. Presentation – Discussion and Possible Action to Consider Approving the Texas A&M AGRILIFE Extension Adjunct Faculty Appointment Agreement for San Patricio and Nueces County

•**Action Item**-A motion was made by Allen Beyer and seconded by Julian Ruiz to Approve the Texas A&M AGRILIFE Extension Adjunct Faculty Appointment Agreement for San Patricio and Nueces County. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

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For: Mark Moreno, Julian Ruiz, Anthony Martinez, Allen Beyer, Janie G. Vargas, Max Moreno
Against: None
Abstain: None

- I. Presentation – Discussion and Possible Action to Consider Adopting the Texas A&M AGRILIFE Extension Resolution Regarding EXTRACURRICULAR STATUS OF 4-H ORGANIZATION for San Patricio and Nueces County

•**Action Item**-A motion was made by Allen Beyer and seconded by Julian Ruiz to Adopt the Texas A&M AGRILIFE Extension Resolution Regarding EXTRACURRICULAR STATUS OF 4-H ORGANIZATION for San Patricio and Nueces County. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.
For: Mark Moreno, Julian Ruiz, Anthony Martinez, Allen Beyer, Janie G. Vargas, Max Moreno
Against: None
Abstain: None

- J. Report – Discussion and Possible Action to Consider Adopting TASB Policy Update 127, affecting (LOCAL) policies

•**Action Item**-A motion was made by Mark Moreno and seconded by Max Moreno to Adopt TASB Policy Update 127, affecting (LOCAL) policies. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.
For: Mark Moreno, Julian Ruiz, Anthony Martinez, Allen Beyer, Janie G. Vargas, Max Moreno
Against: None
Abstain: None

- K. Report – Discussion and Possible Action to Consider Endorsing a Candidate for a Position on the TASB Board of Directors

•**Action Item**-A motion was made by Max Moreno and seconded by Allen Beyer to Approve Endorsing Kristi Littleton for a Position on the TASB Board of Directors. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.
For: Mark Moreno, Julian Ruiz, Anthony Martinez, Allen Beyer, Janie G. Vargas, Max Moreno
Against: None
Abstain: None

- L. Report – Additional Training Requirement for School Board Members

- M. Report – Future Agenda Topics

The Board entered into Closed Session at 7:36 p.m. in Accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act to Deliberate and Consider the Following:

- A. Pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code-Personnel
1. To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or
 2. To hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee

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- B. Pursuant to Section 551.076 and 551.089 of the Texas Government Code
1. Deliberate the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices
 2. Discussion on Emergency Operations Plan for OEISD
 3. School Guardian Program Update
 4. 3-Year Safety Audit
 5. Good Cause Exemption – Armed Security

The Board Returned to Open Session at 8:26 p.m. and Took Necessary Action on Matters Discussed in Closed Session.

- A. Discussion and Possible Action to Consider Approving the 3-Year Safety Audit

•**Action Item**-A motion was made by Allen Beyer and seconded by Julian Ruiz to Approve the 3-Year Safety Audit. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

For: Mark Moreno, Julian Ruiz, Anthony Martinez, Allen Beyer, Janie G. Vargas, Max Moreno

Against: None

Abstain: None

- B. Consider and Take Possible Action to Adopt the Resolution Regarding Texas Education Code Section 37.0814-Armed Security Officers

•**Action Item**-A motion was made by Allen Beyer and seconded by Max Moreno to Adopt the Resolution Regarding Texas Education Code Section 37.0814-Armed Security Officers (Good Cause Exemption). Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

For: Mark Moreno, Julian Ruiz, Anthony Martinez, Allen Beyer, Janie G. Vargas, Max Moreno

Against: None

Abstain: None

There being no additional discussion or a matter for consideration for action, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Attest: _____ Signed: _____

Secretary of Board

President of Board

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RESOLUTION

EXTRACURRICULAR STATUS OF 4-H ORGANIZATION

Be it hereby resolved that upon this date, the duly elected Board of Trustees of the

Odem-Edroy Independent School District

meeting in public with a quorum present and certified,
did adopt this resolution that recognizes the

San Patricio County

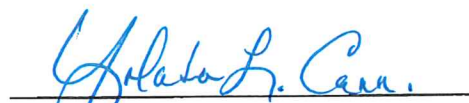
Texas 4-H Organization as approved for recognition and eligible for extracurricular status consideration under
19Texas Administrative Code,
Chapter 76.1, pertaining to extracurricular activities.

Participation by 4-H members under provisions of this resolution are subject to all rules and regulations set forth under the
19Texas Administrative Code as interpreted by this Board and designated officials of this school district.

A local representative of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
will request academic eligibility for all 4-H competitive activities, regardless if a school absence is or is not required, and
for non-competitive purposes when an absence is required.

Approved this 10th day of August, 2026.


Board of Trustee


Superintendent

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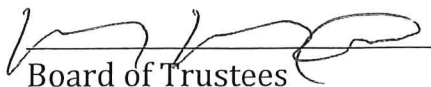
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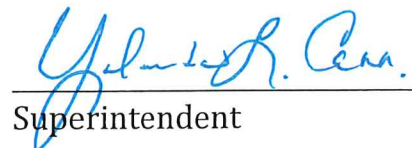
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Board of Trustees


Superintendent

**RESOLUTION OF THE
ODEM-EDROY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Odem-Edroy Independent School District ("Odem-Edroy ISD" or "District") is committed to the safety and security of all students and staff at Odem-Edroy ISD; and

WHEREAS, the 89th Texas Legislature passed House Bill 121 requiring all districts to review and renew any good cause exception for armed security annually; and

WHEREAS, the 88th Texas Legislature passed House Bill 3 addressing school safety and security to include amending the Texas Education Code by adding Section 37.0814, effective September 1, 2023, requiring the board of trustees of a public school district to determine the appropriate number of armed security officers for each district campus; and

WHEREAS, Texas Education Code 37.0814 requires an armed security officer at each campus during regular school hours, and each armed security officer must be a school district peace officer, school resource officer, or commissioned peace officer employed as security (referred to collectively as, "commissioned peace officer"); and

WHEREAS, Texas Education Code 37.0814(c) provides a good cause exception for District's that are not able to provide a commissioned officer at every campus during regular school hours due to the availability of funding or lack of qualified commissioned peace officers, and thus allows school districts to develop an alternative standard for compliance; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined that the District qualifies for the good cause exception(s), due to fiscal limitations and shortages of qualified armed security officers (ASO), guardians and other persons qualified to fill the role outlined in Texas Education Code, the District anticipates having problems with fulfilling the requirements outlined in this section; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees will enter into a MOU to provide ASOs for the District, there are not sufficient peace officers available, to comply with the requirements of Texas Education Code 37.0814(c); therefore, the District has developed an alternative as outlined in Texas Education Code 37.0814(c), to provide for the safety and security of students and staff. The District will continue implementing a School Guardian Program and by authorizing District employee(s), who have been trained by a qualified handgun instructor certified in school safety under Section 411.1901 of the Texas Government Code, to be assigned to campuses as much as possible and to carry a handgun on school premises in accordance with written regulations for its School Guardian Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Odem-Edroy Independent School District has determined, pursuant to Texas Education Code 37.0814(c), that the District qualifies for the good cause exception to providing armed security officers at each campus during regular school hours and has developed a suitable alternative for providing safe and secure campuses. The District will continue implementing a School Guardian Program and by authorizing District employee(s), who have been trained by a qualified handgun instructor certified in school safety under Section 411.1901 of the Texas Government Code, to be assigned to District campuses as much as possible and to carry a handgun on school premises in accordance with written regulations for its School Guardian Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees hereby finds that the District in determining this good cause exception and establishing the alternative standard is in compliance with Texas Education Code 37.0814; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be placed in the meeting Minutes of the Odem-Edroy ISD Board of Trustees; and

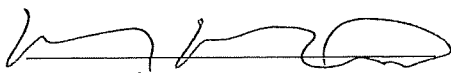
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent shall take all actions necessary and appropriate to implement this Resolution in compliance with State and Federal law and District policies, in consultation with the Board of Trustees and to ensure that documentation is maintained related to the district's implementation of and compliance with these laws, including documentation related to the good cause exception and to provide said documentation to the Texas Education Agency if required.

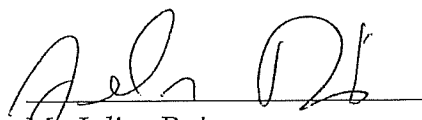
CERTIFICATE FOR RESOLUTION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was presented to the Board of Trustees of the Odem-Edroy Independent School District during a lawfully called meeting on August 10, 2026. A quorum of the Board being then present, a motion was made to accept the Resolution and seconded, such Resolution was then adopted according to the following vote:

Ayes: 6
Noes: 0

Abstentions 0


Mr. Mark Moreno
Board President


Mr. Julian Ruiz
Board Vice-President