

Amigos Por Vida – Friends for Life Public Charter School
An Amigos Por Vida – Friends for Life Housing and Education Corporation

The Board of Governors of the Amigos Por Vida-Friends for Life Public Charter School met at the school at 5503 El Camino del Rey St., Houston TX, 77081 on 8/19/25. In addition, a video Teams link: (<https://teams.microsoft.com/v2/>) was provided. It was presided over by the Board Member Ms. Linda Ibrahim

1. Call to Order

- a. Ms. Ibrahim called the meeting to order 5:59 p.m. The following individuals were present:

Mike Griswold – *Board Member*
Linda Ibrahim – *Board Member*
Monica Capella – *Board Member*

Anahi – *Parent*
Cleotilde- *Parent*

Kakoli Mukerji – *Interim Superintendent/Principal*
Samuel Johnson – *Director of Finance*
Michael Roberson - *Director of Operations*
Jaime Romero - *Assistant Principal*
Juan Zamarron – *IT*
Nanette Urbaez - *Receptionist*

These individuals were present via Teams:

APV Camera (*Unverified*) – *IT Department*
Claudia Zelaya – *Counselor*
Alejandra Najera – *Parent*
Lisset Ferrer – *Teacher*
Maria Sanchez – *Parent*
Veronica Osorio – *Parent*
Blanca Fernandez – *Parent*

Rashmi Vashistha – *Instructional Coach*
Susan Alhassan – *Instructional Coach*
Diaz – *Parent*
Mama de Edwin Santay – *Parent*
Celi maria Ramirez Hernandez – *Parent*
Adriana Paredes – *Parent*
Gustavo Ortega - *IT*

2. Hearing of Citizens

- a. None.

3. School Updates

- a. Ms. Mukerji presented updates for Family Engagement Activities.
- b. Ms. Mukerji presented the Academic updates.
- c. Mr. Johnson presented Business Office updates.
- d. Mr. Johnson presented Paradigm updates.

Action Items

4. Discuss and consider Board Meeting Minutes 07/15/2025

- Ms. Capella moved to table the Board Meeting Minutes for 07/15/25; Mr. Griswold seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

5. Discuss and consider a policy to provide notice to parents/guardians regarding employee misconduct, as prescribed by TEC § 22A.053.

- Mr. Griswold moved to approve the motion; Ms. Capella seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

6. Discuss and consider a policy addressing proper response to a concussion sustained by a student on school property or while participating in a non-UIL, school sponsored or related activity, as required by TEC § 38.173.

- Ms. Capella moved to approve the motion; Mr. Griswold seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

7. Discuss and consider policy that satisfies the requirements of TEC § 26.0071, in furtherance of increased parental access and engagement in their child's education.

- Mr. Griswold moved to approve the motion; Ms. Capella seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

8. Discuss and consider a policy in accordance with TEC § 11.005, addressing discipline of an employee or contractor who engages in or assigns to another person DEI practices or duties.

- Ms. Capella moved to approve the motion; Mr. Griswold seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

9. Discuss and consider a policy to opt-out of allowing a homeschool or non-enrolled student to participate in UIL activities.

- Mr. Griswold moved to approve the motion; Ms. Capella seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

10. Discuss and consider appointing members of the SHAC to direct health education instruction in alignment with TEC § 28.004

- Ms. Capella moved to approve the motion; Mr. Griswold seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

11. Discuss and consider reevaluating and renew its good cause exception claim, in accordance with TEC § 37.0814(d-1).

- Mr. Griswold moved to approve the motion; Ms. Capella seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

12. Discuss and consider all applicable changes to the Open Meetings Act impacting meeting notices and posting requirements, both prior to and following regular and special meetings of the board.

- Ms. Capella moved to approve the motion; Mr. Griswold seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

13. Discuss and adopt a written policy prohibiting student use of a personal communication device while on school property during the school day and as further prescribed by TEC § 37.082.

- Mr. Griswold moved to approve the motion; Ms. Capella seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

14. Discuss and consider approval of the policy on Student Use of Personal Communication Devices on School Property During the School Day

- Ms. Capella moved to approve the motion; Mr. Griswold seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

15. Discuss and consider approval of the policy on Student Use of Personal Communication Devices on School Property During the School Day

- Mr. Griswold moved to approve the motion; Ms. Capella seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

16. Discuss and consider approval of the budget amendment for school year 2024-2025

- Ms. Capella moved to approve the motion; Mr. Griswold seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

17. Mr. Johnson presented Financial Updates.

- a. Review Actual vs Budget Report
- b. Review Cash Balance Report
- c. Accounts & Investments Reports
- d. Review Check Register Reports

Closed Session

- Ms. Ibrahim moved the meeting to a Closed Session at 7:32 pm.
- Ms. Ibrahim moved the meeting to an Open Session at 8:23 pm.

18. Ms. Capella moved to nominate and appoint Ms. Linda Ibrahim for the search committee chair; Mr. Griswold seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

19. Adjourn

- Mr. Griswold moved the meeting to be adjourned; Ms. Capella seconded; the motion to adjourn the meeting was agreed upon by the Board at 8:24 p.m.

Ms. Rose Mary Valencia, *Board President*

Ms. Sandra López, *Board Secretary*