



SOUTHWEST
TEXAS ★ COLLEGE

SWTX **CABINET** **MEETINGS**

JULY 2026



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CABINET MEETING**July 01, 2026**

	AGENDA ITEM	NOTES
1.	President	• Annexation hearings next week • Salary spreadsheets
2.	VP Academic Affairs	• A.R. -Out of the Office
3.	VP Student Services	• CARE Team • AEL & Campus Services Report and Prison training • Registrar's Report • Enrollment Report • KCP ongoing work/setup for Workforce •
4.	VP Finance	• Social media • Salary spreadsheets
5.	VP Eagle Pass Campus	• Out of the office
6.	VP Administrative Services <i>Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision. It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results.</i> <i>-Andrew Carnegie</i>	• tech expansion • transportation for annexation hearings • dorm remodeling project • reports that are pending
7.	VP Del Rio Campus	• ECHS schedule • MRGDC funding for workforce programs
8.	VP Special Projects	• Out of the office
9.	Chief of Staff	• Staff Convocation
10.	Faculty Association	• Out for the summer

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Cabinet members present were:

Dr. Hector Gonzales, President
Cruz Mata, Vice President of Student Services
Lisa Ermis, Vice President of Finance
Derek Sandoval, VP Administrative Services
Connie Buchanan, Vice President Del Rio Campus
Dr. Randa Schell, Chief of Staff

Cabinet members absent:

April Ruhmann, Vice President of Academic Affairs
Brenda Hoffman, Vice President Eagle Pass Campus
Dr. Mark Underwood, Vice President Special Projects

Also present were:

Armando Mondragon, Dean of Applied Sciences
Dr. Michael Bailey, Dean of Liberal Arts
Dr. Sandra Garza, Dean of Instructional Services and School District Partnerships

1. President

- a. President discussed annexation hearings scheduled for next week.
- b. Discussed pay increases and salary spreadsheets.

2. Vice President of Academic Affairs

- a. A.R. – out of the office
- b. A.M. discussed the workshop regarding the CashDraw system.
- c. Discussed Perkins application deadline on July 10.
- d. University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio (UTHSCSA) reached out regarding clinicals and pathways.
- e. Celebrated PCT program certification rates!
- f. Discussed tech expansion moving toward July 17 completion date.
- g. Discussed Education Degree Advisory Committee meeting.
- h. Discussed MOUs and nursing pathways grant letters.
- i. Transition meeting with MU regarding SACSCOC.
- j. Dr. M.B. discussed working with Campus Services staff to complete schedule for Torres Unit
- k. Discussed status of level change with both state and SACSCOC.

3. Vice President of Student Services

- a. C.M. discussed CARE Team.
- b. C.M. discussed AEL & Campus Services Report.
- c. Discussed Prison training on Monday and Tuesday went well.
- d. Discussed next step is to get fingerprints and badges.
- e. Discussed new Mexican Consulate program.
- f. C.M. discussed the Registrar's Report.

- g. Discussed final grades due today at noon.
- h. Discussed Summer 2 registration ends Monday.
- i. C.M. discussed the Enrollment Report.
- j. Discussed Summer 2 enrollment number: 1,168 head count; 5,446 credit hours; 101 Dual Credit.
- k. Discussed Fall 2026 enrollment numbers: 2,497 head count; 26,591 credit hours.
- l. Discussed Kate's Cowboy Promise ongoing work/setup for Workforce.

4. Vice President of Finance

- a. L.E. discussed job ads going on social media.
- b. Discussed salary spreadsheets.
- c. R.F.S. will reach out to D.O. to change KRONOS.
- d. Discussed 8 hours for daycare and maintenance.
- e. Discussed 4 hours for everyone else.

5. Vice President of Eagle Pass

- a. B.H. out of office

6. Vice President of Administrative Services

- a. D.S. discussed tech expansion.
- b. Discussed transportation for annexation hearings.
- c. Discussed dorm remodeling project.
- d. Discussed several reports that are pending.

7. Vice President of Del Rio

- a. C.B. Discussed ECHS schedule
- b. Discussed MRGDC funding for workforce programs

8. Vice President of Special Projects

- a. M.U. Out of the office.

9. Chief of Staff

- a. R.S. discussed Staff Convocation.

10. Faculty Association

- a. L.F. out for the summer.

CABINET MEETING**July 08, 2026**

	AGENDA ITEM	NOTES
1.	President	
2.	VP Academic Affairs	
3.	VP Student Services	<u>Financial Aid:</u> • Monitoring the Summer Dashboard and has also begun reviewing the Fall Dashboard. Clerks and Administrative Assistants are reaching out to students with pending documentation or who are on suspension. Additionally, we are emailing students who have not yet submitted a Financial Aid application for the Fall semester. • Administrative Assistant in Eagle Pass is planning to retire in August 2026. • The last day for bookstore purchases for Summer 2026 is tomorrow, July 8, 2026. <u>Registrars & Admissions:</u> • Summer II Late Registration: Late registration closed as of Tuesday, July 7th at 6:00pm; *Census day is Thursday, July 9th • Flu/Bacterial Meningitis Vaccine Drive: August 8th, 2026: 12:00 – 4:00pm (Uvalde Flores Building: Conference Room #1) <u>Enrollment Update:</u> • Summer II: Total HC: 1,230; Total Cred hrs: 5,608 Non-Dual Cred hrs: 5,510; Dual 98. • Fall 26: Total HC: 2,647; Total Cred hrs. 27,918; Non-Dual: 26,131; Dual 1,787
4.	VP Finance	

5.	VP Eagle Pass Campus	
6.	VP Administrative Services <i>You can't see your reflection in boiling water. Similarly, you can't see the truth in a state of anger. When the water calm, clarity comes. Disciplined Mindset</i>	• Dugas Law Firm • Gym HVAC • -electrical work begins • Culvert update • EP visit • -furniture/equipment coordination • Life Safety • -Safe Evac test Friday • -Expansion ready • R. Roland-April new date-Briscoe favored
7.	VP Del Rio Campus	
8.	VP Special Projects	
9.	Chief of Staff	

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1. President

- a. President discussed the La Salle County Annexation Hearing.

2. Vice President of Academic Affairs

- a. A.R. discussed UT Health partnership and grant received.
- b. Discussed moving the Faculty Development office out of Admin Building.
- c. S.G. discussed last week's SACSCOC webinar.
- d. Discussed working on adjunct teaching demos/onboarding.
- e. Discussed Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) pending.

3. Vice President of Student Services

- a. C.M. discussed the Financial Aid report.
- b. Discussed monitoring the Summer Dashboard and has also begun reviewing the Fall Dashboard.
- c. Discussed Clerks and Administrative Assistants are reaching out to students with pending documentation or who are on suspension.
- d. Discussed emailing students who have not yet submitted a Financial Aid application for the Fall semester.
- e. Discussed Administrative Assistant in Eagle Pass is planning to retire in August 2026.
- f. Discussed the last day for bookstore purchases for Summer 2026 is tomorrow, July 8, 2026.
- g. C.M. discussed the Registrars & Admissions report.
- h. Discussed the Summer II Late Registration enrollment numbers. Late registration closed as of Tuesday, July 7th at 6:00pm.
- i. Discussed Census day is Thursday, July 9th.
- j. Discussed the Flu/Bacterial Meningitis Vaccine Drive: August 8th, 2026: 12:00 – 4:00pm (Uvalde Flores Building: Conference Room #1)

- k. C.M. discussed the Enrollment Updates.
 - l. Discussed Summer II enrollment numbers: Total HC: 1,230; Total Cred hrs: 5,608 Non-Dual Credit hours: 5,510; Dual 98.
 - m. Discussed Fall 2026 enrollment numbers: Total HC: 2,647; Total Cred hrs. 27,918; Non-Dual: 26,131; Dual 1,787.
- 4. Vice President of Finance
 - a. L.E. out of office
- 5. Vice President of Eagle Pass
 - a. B.H. discussed tomorrow's AEL GED graduation.
- 6. Vice President of Administrative Services
 - a. D.S. discussed Dugas Law Firm update
 - b. Discussed Gym HVAC updates.
 - c. Discussed Electrical work began today and Culvert update.
 - d. Discussed Eagle Pass visit.
 - e. Discussed Furniture/equipment coordination.
 - f. D.S. discussed the Life Safety report.
 - g. Discussed the Safe Evac test Friday.
 - h. Discussed Expansion updates.
 - i. R. Roland-April new date-Briscoe favored.
- 7. Vice President of Del Rio
 - a. C.B. discussed Sunday afternoon booking request.
 - b. Discussed Exit interview this afternoon.
 - c. Discussed Del Rio Campus closed tomorrow for Convocation.
- 8. Vice President of Special Projects
 - a. Discussed Education degree advisory committee.
 - b. Discussed THECB meeting next week for 4-year degree approval.
- 9. Chief of Staff
 - a. R.S. discussed Staff Convocation.
- 10. Faculty Association
 - a. L.F. out for the summer.

CABINET MEETING
July 22, 2026

	AGENDA ITEM	NOTES
1.	President	
2.	VP Academic Affairs	• Discuss flood impact • THECB meeting • Nursing Pathway is ready and approved by the Board of Nursing • JET grant • SACSCOC summer conference
3.	VP Student Services	• Enrollment Report • Financial Aid
4.	VP Finance	• Bookstore
5.	VP Eagle Pass Campus	
6.	VP Administrative Services	
7.	VP Del Rio Campus	• Roof leaks during 10 inches of rain last week including new building • NSO

8.	VP Special Projects	
9.	Chief of Staff	
10.	Faculty Association	

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1. President

2. Vice President of Academic Affairs

- a. A.R. discussed flood impact.
- b. Discussed Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) meeting today for 4 year degree approval.
- c. A.M. announced Surgical Tech is accredited.
- d. Discussed Nursing Pathway is ready and approved by the Board of Nursing.
- e. Discussed JET grant was approved.
- f. M.B. is attending the THECB meeting.
- g. S.G. is attending SACSCOC summer conference.

3. Vice President of Student Services

- a. C.M. presented the Enrollment Report.
- b. Discussed Fall 2026 enrollment numbers: 3,414 head count; 33,785 credit hours (28,202 non-dual; 5,583 dual)
- c. C.M. presented the Financial Aid report.
- d. Discussed working on award list.
- e. Discussed working on Kate's Cowboy Promise (KCP) and other scholarship awards.
- f. C.M. out for son's bootcamp graduation.

4. Vice President of Finance

- a. L.E. Discussed the Bookstore.

5. Vice President of Eagle Pass

- a. B.H. discussed AEL Graduation went very well.
- b. Discussed working with High School regarding pipeline for potential GED students.
- c. Requested to look into plumbing Occupational Skills Award or another certificate.
- d. A new Early College Academy cohort is in the works with increased size.
- e. Discussed ongoing work with Universidad Carolina.

6. Vice President of Administrative Services

- a. D.S. is absent.

7. Vice President of Del Rio

- a. C.B. discussed roof leaks during 10 inches of rain last week including new building.
- b. Discussed NSO from last week was rescheduled to this week.
- c. Discussed added NSO dates August 6 & 11 to meet demand.

8. Vice President of Special Projects

- a. M.U. absent – attending THECB meeting.

9. Chief of Staff

- a. R.S. discussed Pearsall internet is down.
- b. Discussed there have been various impact to internet service due to the flood waters moving south on the rivers

10. Faculty Association

- a. L.F. is glad to be back.

CABINET MEETING
July 29, 2026

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1.	President	
2.	VP Academic Affairs	
3.	VP Student Services	
4.	VP Finance	
5.	VP Eagle Pass Campus	

6.	VP Administrative Services	
7.	VP Del Rio Campus	
8.	VP Special Projects	
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1. President

- a. President is absent.

2. Vice President of Academic Affairs

- a. A.R. discussed faculty interviews/hiring.
- b. Discussed I.T. hacking attempt.
- c. A.M. discussed Surgical Tech program has been officially approved for accreditation.
- d. Discussed Aviation program has been offered equipment for free.
- e. M.B. continues to work on schedule.
- f. Discussed staffing the Torres Unit is ongoing.
- g. Discussed there are 72 students with registration being next week.
- h. S.G. discussed school district Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs).
- i. Discussed 18 MOUs are finalized with 9 pending.
- j. Discussed the SACSCOC summer institute.
- k. Discussed the several changes to standards and processes that will be announced soon.
- l. Discussed the Transfer Credit Consortium that is being supported by SACSCOC CEO
- m. Discussed finalizing Convocation agendas.
- n. Discussed Adjunct convocation is August 6.
- o. Discussed Regular faculty convocation is August 12-14.

3. Vice President of Student Services

- a. C.M. presented the Torres Unit Report.
- b. Discussed TSI testing is August 4 with registration thereafter.

- c. C.M. discussed the Hondo STRTC report.
- d. Discussed Interviews for Part-Time custodian next week.
- e. Discussed purchase of smartboards for 3 new classrooms in Hondo.
- f. Discussed the Fall Enrollment Report: 3,686 head count – 2,782 non-dual; 914 dual; 36,567 credit hours – 30,477 non-dual; 6,090 dual.

4. Vice President of Finance

- a. L.E. discussed budget meeting and elections discussion with board on August 13.
- b. Discussed Regular Board of Trustees meeting is on August 20.
- c. Discussed V.G. begins work as cashier next Monday.

5. Vice President of Eagle Pass

- a. B.H. discussed meetings with various community and school partners.
- b. Discussed working toward Carolina coming on board for spring.
- c. Discussed Ribbon Cutting for HVAC program on August 25.

6. Vice President of Administrative Services

- a. D.S. is absent.

7. Vice President of Del Rio

- a. C.B. discussed J.G. will drive a van of PCT students to Uvalde on Monday.
- b. Discussed NSO sessions are full and need additional dates.
- c. Discussed new building construction is ramping up.
- d. Discussed assembling new furniture.

8. Vice President of Special Projects

- a. M.U. discussed academic suspension study he is conducting.
- b. Discussed the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) approved our BAAS in OML!!
- c. Discussed the next step is to get the level change approved by SACSCOC.
- d. Discussed the look at Prospectus by August 14.
- e. Discussed the CLT that was considered as a placement exam by THECB.

9. Chief of Staff

- a. R.S. discussed the BAAS checklist.
- b. Discussed Spurs.
- c. R.S. will be out August 6, 7 & 10.

10. Faculty Association

- a. L.F. will be out next week.