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# KENEDY COUNTY CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT

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## **Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Directors – August 10, 2026**

Judge Charles Burns, Chairman of the Board called the meeting to order at 11:53 AM. Mrs. Sarita Hixon, Mr. William Dieterle, Mr. Joe Recio and Mrs. Irma Longoria, Tax Assessor / Collector were in attendance. Mr. Felix Serna was absent. Mr. Thomas Denney, Chief Appraiser, and Ms. Anita Garza Deputy Chief Appraiser represented the Appraisal District.

Public Comment: None

Mr. Denney presented the July 13, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes for approval. Mrs. Sarita Hixon motioned approval. Mr. Joe Recio seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

At 11:57 AM the Board opened the Public Hearing for the proposed 2027/2028 Reappraisal Plan. There was no one present from the public present. Mrs. Sarita Hixon made the motion to approve the Reappraisal Plan as presented and Mr. Joe Recio seconded the motion. The Reappraisal Plan was approved unanimously. The public hearing was closed at 12:00 noon.

Mrs. Sarita Hixon made the motion to approve the proposed 2027/2028 Reappraisal Plan as approved in the public hearing. Mr. Joe Recio seconded and the 2027/2028 Reappraisal Plan was adopted by unanimous consent.

Mr. Denney presented to the Board the 2026 certified values as attached. Mrs. Sarita Hixon moved to accept the certified values as presented. Mr. Joe Recio seconded and the values were unanimously accepted.

Mr. Denney presented the Board with the proposed office lease offered by the county for the current office space at a cost of \$ 7,500.00 per year for 50 years with support as at current levels. Mrs. Sarita Hixon made the motion to approve and the second was by Mr. Joe Recio. Approved unanimously.

Mr. Denney next asked whom would be attending the Senator Hinojosa presentation scheduled for September 23. Mrs. Sarita Hixon announced she would not be in attendance as she has prior plans to be elsewhere then. The rest of the Board present indicated they would attend.

Next, Mr. Denney requested permission to pay the August bills. Mrs. Sarita Hixon made the motion to approve and the second was by Mr. Joe Recio. Approved unanimously

Current estimated checking account balance as of August 31, 2026, is \$ 21,146.31

Kleberg bank has one CD in the amount of \$114,389.00 maturing February 3, 2027.

The Appraisal District has on deposit with Texas Class \$ 187,555.19 as of 8/07/2026.

Texas class transferred to the Kleberg bank checking account \$ 35,000 on 8/07/2026.

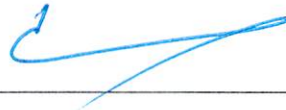
Chief Appraiser's Report:

Report on proposed Region 1 & 2 TAAD meeting. Senator Hinojosa has agreed to make the keynote address. Proposed topic 2027 legislative outlook primarily Property tax and water issues. Water District(s) will also be invited. Scheduled to be held Wednesday September 23, 2026, in the Kenedy County Courtroom at 10:30 AM. Luncheon to follow at the King's Inn.

Our appeal to the Texas Supreme has been filed and the PTAD response was filed July 27<sup>th</sup>. We now await the court's decision as to whether they will take up the case of the Kenedy County – Wide Common School District, Petitioner VS. Kelly Hancock, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Respondent On appeal from the fifteenth Court of Appeals, Austin, Texas, No. 15-24-00079-CV.

Mrs. Hixon made a motion to adjourn at 12:15 AM. Mr. Dieterle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Approved by the Board on September 14, 2026



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