Big Sandy School District Accountability Minutes
Tuesday, September 8, 2026

I. Mrs. Tucker called the meeting to order at
II. Officer Elections were held and results were as follows: President- Reese Baker, Vice President-Logan Rayfield, and Secretary-Brooklynne Billmire
III. Board/School Reports
    a. Board-The board president and the superintendent will be joining a leadership cohort to ensure that things are done correctly. State testing scores were presented at the last board meeting.
    b. Elementary- We've had a great start to the school year. Currently in the elementary, we have about 158 students, PreK-5th grades. Benchmark testing has been completed, and students have settled into their new routines and classes. We have two new paras, Diamond Horner and Katie Lindgren, and also two new teachers, Jez Bohlander and Shadow Allen. All are doing a great job. Mrs. Warner will be returning in October after having her baby. Both are doing well. Cub's Den will begin this Friday. Our fifth-grade leaders will be discussing what "Dig Deeper" means and what it looks like at school. Elementary STUCO has met and will be choosing officers for the new school year as well as planning fun activities for the school year. This year, we will be hosting Grandparent's Day, and we are excited for that. October will be Read Aloud month, and Reading with the Principal is also coming up. Dr. Swaby, a professor at UCCS, donated a book bag for each of our elementary students. These will be passed out for Read Aloud month.
    c. Secondary-It's been a good start to the year. Secondary currently has 155 students, and 101 students are involved in some type of athletic activity. We have some new teachers, Mrs. Noonan and Mr. McCune who is teaching welding. Parent/teacher conferences are coming up on Monday.
IV. Kid's Korner, Key Communicators
    a. Kid's Korner-STUCO set the homecoming theme as "Golden Era." SADD has grown a lot this year and will have a lot of activities. The senior class has 13 active members and raised $10,800 at the senior auction on Monday. School store is going well. The soph. class has reserved a truck and trailer for homecoming. Sr. class just had officer elections. The art class is going to Garden of the Gods to sketch. Matchwits has held practices and will be competing soon.
    b. Key Communicators-Crossroads is off to a great start and is currently ranging around 55 students attending various programs.
V. Title I, Preschool, Nutrition
    a. Title 1-We are receiving $48,000 for Title funds this year, and we use that money to ensure small class sizes.
    b. Preschool-Currently, we have six students in the morning and fourteen in the afternoon. Things are going well.

c. Nutrition-Our garbage disposal went out, so we have been having to use paper plates recently. The plan is to repair the garbage disposal.

VI. Year End Report-There was no discussion or comments.

VII. Facilities- A second snow guard was replaced to help with the snow load. The backflow valve was replaced.

VIII. Safe Schools- Our lock system bid was approved by the board, and parts have been ordered. Hopefully, it will get replaced soon.

IX. Suggestions-Reese suggested that they would like to continue to do Decision Day. Mrs. Swennes offered to come back and do it for the students. There was some discussion on a movie night.

X. Reese adjourned the meeting 3:31 pm.

Charges for 2026-27

1. Monitor academic progress, attendance, and graduation rate.
2. Provide input on the accreditation process as needed.
3. Serve as the Vocational Advisory, Title I, Preschool, Performance Evaluation, Drug Advisory, Safety, Nutritional, and Facilities Committee.
4. Review our Safe Schools Plan.