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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting: Regular Board Meeting
Place: Virtual Meeting
Date: October 12, 2020
Time: 6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MAY ATTEND THIS MEETING TELEPHONICALLY OR BY VIDEOCONFERENCE. THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT (THE "ACT") AND ANY TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE ACT AS APPROVED BY GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.

THE EXCLUSIVE WAY TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC COMMENT IS TO REGISTER NO LATER THAN 5.45 P.M. ON OCTOBER 12, 2020, AT THE FOLLOWING WEB LINK: <https://www.wisd.us/superintendentboard/new-page>

THE MEETING WILL BE LIVESTREAMED AT THE FOLLOWING WEB LINK: <https://youtu.be/wVxmUIPM5Ao>

AGENDA

- I. Call To Order
- II. Establishment of a Quorum
- III. Opening Prayer
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance/Texas Pledge
- V. Awards and Recognitions
- VI. Proclamation for National Custodial Day, October 2, 2020
- VII. Proclamation for Texas Education Human Resources Day, October 14, 2020
- VIII. Proclamation for National Red Ribbon Week, October 23-31, 2020
- IX. Proclamation for Dyslexia Awareness Month, October 2020
- X. Proclamation for Principals Month, October 2020
- XI. Public Comments

XII. Superintendent's Report

- COVID-19
- Employee Wellness Resource Center
- Bilingual Evaluation and Exceptions' Requirement
- Grants and Awards
 - >2020 COPS Office School Violence Prevention Program
 - >Hidalgo County CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funding Match
- Insurance
- Tribute

XIII. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 14, 2020 and the Special Meetings of September 8 and September 24, 2020
- B. Approval of Out-of-Valley Trips
- C. Approval to Accept a Donation of \$1,000.00 from the Weslaco Rotary Club to Purchase Uniforms and School Supplies for Weslaco ISD Students
- D. Approval to Accept a Donation of \$500.00 from Woodmen of the World for North Bridge Elementary School
- E. Approval to Accept a Donation of \$150.00 from David Fuentes for the Maintenance of the Aquarium at Silva Elementary School Counseling Department
- F. Approval to Accept a Donation of a Gift Certificate in the Amount of \$587.20 from Office Depot for Rudy Silva Elementary School
- G. Approval of 2021 Membership Fee to Participate in the National School Boards Association (NSBA)
- H. Approval of 2020-2021 Membership Fee with the Weslaco Area Chamber of Commerce
- I. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Between Weslaco Independent School District and Community Development Institute Head Start Program for 2020-2021 School Year
- J. Approval of the Childcare Local Match Contribution Agreement Between the Weslaco Independent School District and the Lower Grande Valley Workforce Development Board for 2020-2021 School Year
- K. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Between the Weslaco Independent School District and the Rio Grande Valley Linking Economic and Academic Development (RGV LEAD) for the 2020-2021 School Year
- L. Approval of Grade Pre-Kinder English Language Arts and Reading Textbook Committee for the 2020-2021 School Year

- M. Approval of the District Improvement and All Campus Student Achievement Improvement Plans for 2020-2021
- N. Approval of Revisions to Policy EHBB (Local) Special Programs: Gifted and Talented Students
- O. Approval of Revision to Policy DMA (Local) Professional Development: Required Staff Development
- P. Approval of Policy Update 115 from the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB)
- Q. Approval to Pay Membership and Coaching Fees for the Leader-In-Me Program at All Elementary and Middle Schools for the 2020-2021 School Year
- R. Approval of Agreement with Region One ESC to Provide Instructional Coaching and Professional Development for Secondary English Language Arts and Reading Teachers for the 2020-2021 School Year
- S. Approval of Purchase of the Renewal of Digital Science Curriculum STEMscopes Subscription from Accelerate Learning, Inc. for Grades K-12 for the 2020-2021 School Year
- T. Approval of Purchase of Imagine Learning Web-Based Interactive Learning System Licenses to Enhance the First Language Support of Our PreKindergarten through Twelfth Grade Migrant Students in English and Spanish, Including Live Support for At-Home
- U. Approval to Amend the Student Code of Conduct to Include the Use of Facial Coverings (Masks) by Students During the COVID-19 Pandemic
- V. Approval of Arbitrage Rebate Services Contract with Hilltop Securities Asset Management, LLC.
- W. Approval of Budget Amendments
 1. Weslaco High School Band – Local Maintenance Fund to Purchase Band Instruments for the High School and Middle Schools, to Pay for Repair of Instruments, and to Cover In-District Mileage Travel for Band Directors
 2. Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education & Leadership – Local Fund to Purchase Instructional Supplies for Dyslexia Teachers and Students
 3. Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education & Leadership – Local Fund to Cover Expenses for the Yearly Lead4ward Accountability Online Data Compiled for the District
 4. Dr. R.E. Margo Elementary – Local Maintenance Fund to Pay for Scripps National Bee Membership
 5. Horton DAEP – State Compensatory Fund to Purchase Laptop for Principal
 6. Business Office – Local Fund to Record Budget for Purchase Orders Rolled-Forward for Technology Supplies and Equipment, and Athletics Reconditioning of Football Helmets, Ordered in Prior Year and Not Received or Invoiced by August 31, 2020

- X. Approval of Monthly Tax Adjustments for September 2020
- Y. Approval of Quarterly Investment Activity Report for the Quarter Ended August 31, 2020
- Z. Approval of Annual Investment Activity Report for the Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2020

XIV. Discussion Items:

- A. Interim Financial Report for the One Month Ended September 30, 2020
- B. Acknowledgement of Hidalgo County Tax Office Collection Report for September 2020: Current Taxes and Delinquent Taxes
- C. Presentation of Annual Tax Collection Report for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020) by the Hidalgo County Tax Office
- D. Presentation by Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, LLP, Delinquent Tax Attorneys Firm, of the Delinquent Tax Collection Activity Report for the Period from September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020

XV. Discussion and Possible Action Items:

- A. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between the City of Weslaco and the Weslaco Independent School District to Share Joint Election Location for the November 3, 2020
- B. Discussion and Possible Action to Contract with the Hidalgo County Elections Administration to Conduct the November 3, 2020 Weslaco ISD School Board Election
- C. Discussion and Possible Action for the Board to Approve for Weslaco ISD to Submit a Request to TEA for a Class Size Limit Exemption Waiver
- D. Discussion and Possible Action for the Board to Consider Approval of Proposal Award for Voluntary Employee (Insurance) Benefit Products: 1) Accident, 2) Cancer, 3) Disability, 4) Critical Illness, 5) Hospital Indemnity (GAP), 6) Term Life & AD&D, and 7) Vision (RFP #21-10-08)
- E. Discussion and Possible Action for the Board to Consider Selection of Servicing Agent(s) for Voluntary Employee (Insurance) Benefit Products: 1) Accident, 2) Cancer, 3) Disability, 4) Critical Illness, 5) Hospital Indemnity (GAP), 6) Term Life & AD&D, and 7) Vision (RFP #21-10-08)
- F. Discussion and Possible Action for the Board to Approve the Administration's Ranking Recommendation for the HVAC Units Replacement and Related Roofing Project at the Weslaco East High School Gymnasiums (CSP #21-10-05)
- G. Discussion and Possible Action for the Board to Consider Approval to Delegate to the Superintendent the Authority to Approve the Purchase of Electrical Supplies for Emergency Lighting System Improvements at Six Campuses from Approved Electric Supply Vendors from District Approved Proposals, and/or Purchasing Cooperatives Vendors

H. Discussion and Possible Action for the Board to Approve a Mechanical Engineering Firm to Design the Plans and Specifications and Provide Construction Administration Services for Emergency Lighting System Improvements at Six Campuses

XVI. Closed Meeting to Discuss:

A. Personnel Matters (Tex. Gov't Code 551.074)

1. Employment of Personnel
2. Resignations
3. Deliberation Regarding the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee (Tex. Gov't Code 551.074 and 551.071)

a. Superintendent's Recommendation for the Position of Director of Information Systems

B. Deliberation Regarding Acquisition of Real Property (Tx. Gov't Code 551.072)

C. Consultation with Attorney Regarding: a) Pending or Contemplated Litigation: b) a Settlement Offer: or c) a Matter in Which the Duty of the Attorney to the Weslaco ISD under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas Clearly Conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code (Tex. Gov't. Code 551.071)

1. Consultation Regarding Possible Transition Plan in Connection with Anticipated TEA Waiver Request (Non-Action Item)

XVII. Reconvene in Open Meeting:

A. Possible Action, If Necessary, on Items Discussed in Closed Meeting

1. Discussion and Possible Action on New Employment
2. Discussion and Possible Action on Resignations
3. Discussion and Possible Action on Superintendent's Recommendation for the Position of Director of Information Systems

XVIII. Adjournment

Note: The Board of Trustees may, at any time during this meeting, retire to a closed meeting pursuant to §551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code to seek the advice of its attorney on any subject slated for discussion, where the duty of the attorney to the Board of Trustees under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act. At this meeting, the Board of Trustees may receive information from, give information to, ask questions of, or receive questions from any third person, including an employee of the governmental body, about the public business items slated for discussion. The Board of Trustees may at any time during this meeting elect to deliberate in open session on any matter, which is slated for discussion in executive session. The Board of Trustees will reconvene in open session to take appropriate action on any matter deliberated in executive session.

Note: If any accommodation for a disability is required, notify the Superintendent's Office at (956-969-6915), prior to the meeting date.