

Hitchcock Independent School District

Special Called Meeting

March 8, 2011

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The Hitchcock Independent School District Board of Trustees met at a Special Called meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 held at the Hitchcock ISD Boardroom/Conference Facility located at 8004 North Railroad, Hitchcock, Texas. President Dianne James called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Present Dianne James, President; Monica Cantrell, Vice President; Estelle Holmes, Secretary, Member; Tom Ivey, Member

Late Arrival Ted Robinson, Jr., Member, arrived at 6:35 PM; Pat Turner, Member, arrived at 6:40 PM

Absent Shirley Price, Member

Others Mike Bergman, Superintendent; Susan Thompson, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Nina Conway, Business Manager; Larry Allen, Hitchcock High School Principal; Blanca Ochoa, Crosby Middle School Principal; Donette Line, Stewart Elementary School Principal; Phyliss Coleman, Hitchcock Primary School Principal; Ethel Gaines, Kids First Head Start Director; Susan Bowles, Special Education Director; Chris Armacost, Technology Director; Evangelina Guerra, Director of Student Support Services; Stephen Dubner, Attorney; Carl Joiner, Joiner Partnership; Robert Henderson, Financial Consultant

Call to Order Dianne James, President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM; announced the presence of a quorum and stated that the meeting had been duly called and the notice had been posted in the manner prescribed by law.

Action

011-011

Issuance, Sale and Delivery of Hitchcock ISD  
Unlimited Tax Qualified School Construction  
Bonds, Taxable Series 2011Q (for the construction  
of the new high school)

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Monica Cantrell to authorize the issuance, sale, and delivery of Hitchcock Independent

School District Unlimited Tax Qualified School Construction Bonds, Taxable Series 2011Q (Direct Pay to Issuer) and containing other matters related as presented and as recommended by the administration. [See attached]

Members in favor: Dianne James, Monica Cantrell, Estelle Holmes, Pat Turner, Ted Robinson

Members abstained: Tom Ivey

Motion carried with all in favor.

#### 011-012

Issuance of Hitchcock ISD Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2011A; (for the construction of the new high school)

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Monica Cantrell to authorize the issuance of Hitchcock Independent School District Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2011A and containing other matters related as presented and as recommended by the administration. [ See attached]

Members in favor: Dianne James, Monica Cantrell, Estelle Holmes, Pat Turner, Ted Robinson

Members abstained: Tom Ivey

Motion carried with all in favor.

#### 011-013

Joint Election Agreement between College of the Mainland, City of Hitchcock, and Hitchcock ISD for the May 14, 2011 Election

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Monica Cantrell to approve the Joint Election Agreement between College of the Mainland, City of Hitchcock, and Hitchcock ISD for the May 14, 2011 Election as presented and as recommended by the administration.

Motion carried with all in favor.

#### Closed Session

Dianne James, President, called the members of the Board of Trustees into Closed Session at 6:45 PM for the purposes permitted as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code:

551.071 Consultation with District's Attorney Stephen Dubner of the Law Office of Stephen Dubner on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act specifically including the legal issues related to Reduction in Force, Interim Superintendent, and Voluntary Resignation Incentives.

551.074 Personnel: Discuss individual for employment as Interim Superintendent

#### Reconvene from Closed Session

The members of the Board of Trustees reconvened from Closed Session at 9:45 PM for action, if any, from Closed Session.

No action from Closed Session.

#### Action

011-014

Resolution to approve  
Reduction in Force due to a  
Change in Program Areas

Action was postponed until the March 22, 2011 meeting.

011-015

Resolution Identifying the  
Employment Areas to be affected  
as part of the Reduction in Force

Action was postponed until the March 22, 2011 meeting.

011-016

Voluntary Resignation Incentives

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Monica Cantrell to offer to term contract teachers a Voluntary Resignation Incentive of 10% of their current salary. This offer is to the first ten (10) term teachers to sign the district's voluntary resignation form beginning at 8:00 AM, Thursday, March 10, 2011 until noon on March 21, 2011.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Discussion/Possible Action

011-017

Process to hire Interim  
Superintendent

No discussion, no action.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Pat Turner and seconded by Tom Ivey to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda J. Taylor  
Recording Secretary

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Dianne James, President

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Estelle Holmes, Secretary