

## REGULAR VIDEOCONFERENCE BOARD MEETING

### Minutes

Tuesday, August 10, 2021

6:00 p.m.

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The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice. For more information on public comment, see Policy BED.

## I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Board President Dr. Maricela Valdez called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following Board of Trustees were in attendance:

Dr. Maricela Valdez, President  
Mr. David De Los Rios, Vice President (via Zoom)  
Mr. Jose L. Valdez, Secretary  
Mr. Fernando Castillo, Trustee  
Col Roberto Perez, Trustee (*late 6:10 p.m.*)  
Mr. Jose Rogelio Reyna Jr., Trustee (*late 6:06 p.m.*)  
Mrs. Eva Castillo Watts, Trustee

The following administrators were in attendance:

Ms. Rebecca Castañeda, Acting Superintendent  
Dr. Anthony Sorola, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources (via Zoom)  
Mr. Rana, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction (via Zoom)  
Dr. Debra Aceves, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Leadership (via Zoom)  
Mr. Alfonso Perez, Jr. Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance (via Zoom)

Mr. Tony Torres, Attorney  
Mrs. Linda Romeros, TEA Conservator

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE

Dr. Maricela Valdez led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

*The order of these agenda items may be changed. Consideration of items may include deliberation and/or action.*

## II. OPEN FORUM

No one addressed the Open Forum.

### **III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

#### **1. District Highlights**

Ms. Rebecca Castañeda presented the district highlights.

- 2. August LSG Monitoring Report**
  - Goal 2**
  - GPM 2.1**
  - GPM 2.2**
  - GPM 2.3**
  - Superintendent Evaluation of Goal 2 and Next Steps**
  - Superintendent Constraint 2**
  - CPM 2.1**
  - Board Accept/Reject Report**

Mr. Rana presented the July LSG Monitoring Report A. Goal 2, GPM 2.1, GPM 2.2, GPM 2.3, B. Superintendent Evaluation of Goal 2 and next steps, C. Superintendent Constraint 2, CPM 2.1 and D. Board accept/reject report.

Trustees Valdez, J. Valdez, Perez, Reyna, Watts, De Los Rios and Castillo accepted the July LSG Monitoring Report A. Goal 2, GPM 2.1, GPM 2.2, GPM 2.3, B. Superintendent Evaluation of Goal 2 and next steps and C. Superintendent Constraint 2 CPM 2.1. report.

#### **3. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Official Delegate and Alternate for the TASB Delegate Assembly**

Trustee Valdez made a motion to approve Trustee Jose L. Valdez as the Official Delegate for the TASB Delegate Assembly. It was second by Trustee De Los Rios. Trustees Castillo, Perez, Reyna and Watts voted in favor. The motioned carried.

Trustee De Los Rios made a motion to approve Trustee Fernando Castillo as the Alternate Delegate for the TASB Delegate Assembly. It was second by Trustee Valdez. Trustees Perez, Reyna, J. Valdez and Watts voted in favor. The motioned carried.

**4. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Health Insurance/StopLoss/PBM Recommendations for 2021-2022 Plan Year**

Ms. Rebecca Castañeda recommended the board to approve Health Insurance/StopLoss/PBM recommendations for 2021-2022 Plan Year.

Trustee Watts made a motion to approve the recommendation of Ms. Rebecca Castañeda. It was second by Trustee De Los Rios. Trustees Valdez, Castillo, Reyna, Perez and J. Valdez voted in favor. The motioned carried.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. BUSINESS AND FINANCE**

1. Approve Accounts Payable
2. Approve Financial Statements for the Month of June, 2021
3. Approve Report on Monthly Tax Collections for the Month of June, 2021
4. Approve to Award vendors by Category for the Request of Catalog and Discount Bids for the 2021-2022 School Year Option to Extend up to Two (2) Additional Years
5. Approve Payment Application No. 1 for the Donna North High School Kitchen Floor Repairs
6. Approve Payment Application No. 2 for the Donna North High School Kitchen Floor Repairs

**B. ACADEMIC SERVICES**

1. Approve 2021-2022 Academic School Year Optional Flexible School Day Program Application for Donna ISD 3D Academy High School
2. Approve McAllen ISD Regional Day School Program for the Deaf Interlocal Cooperation Agreement
3. Approve Memorandum of Understanding Between Donna ISD-CTE Department and Rio Grande Valley College Regarding Emergency Medical Technology (EMT) for 20 total 12<sup>th</sup> Grade students (DHS, DNHS & 3-D Academy) for School Year 2021-2022
4. Approve Memorandum of Understanding Between Donna ISD-CTE Department and RGV CDL Regarding

**Commercial Driver's License Program for 18 total 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students (DHS, DNHS & 3-D Academy) for School Year 2021-2022**

5. **Approve Purchase of Instructional Material from Teacher Created Materials for Intervention and High-Dosage Tutorials**
6. **Approve Donna ISD Student Code of Conduct for the 2021-2022 School Year**
7. **Approve Interlocal Agreement with South Texas College Dual Credit Programs 2021-2022 School Year**
8. **Approve Purchase for RLA Adaptive Program: Istation PK-8<sup>th</sup> and Istation Español PK-5<sup>th</sup> for the 2021-2022 Academic School Year**
9. **Approve Purchase of Imagine Math Facts as a Component of the DISD Learning Loss Plan**

#### **C. SUPPORT SERVICES**

1. **Approve Minutes for Regular Videoconference Board Meeting July 27, 2021**
2. **Approve Ratification of Region One Library Services & Instructional Resources Cooperative for 2021-2022 School Year**
3. **Approve Purchase of PPE Supplies for Students and Staff from Buyboard Vendors**

#### **D. HUMAN RESOURCES**

1. **Approve to Award RFP #062421-620 Excess Reinsurance Workers' Compensation to Montalvo Insurance Agency**
2. **Approve Property Casualty Alliance of Texas (PCAT) Renewal for Property and Casualty Insurance for 2021-2022**
3. **Approve Revisions on Compensation Plan 2021-2022**

Trustee Watts made a motion to approve Consent Agenda (A. Business and Finance - 1. Approve Accounts Payable, 2. Approve Financial Statements for the Month of June, 2021, 3. Approve Report on Monthly Tax Collections for the Month of June, 2021, 4. Approve to Award vendors by Category for the Request of Catalog and Discount Bids for the 2021-2022 School Year Option to Extend up to Two (2) Additional Years, 5. Approve Payment Application No. 1 for the Donna North High School Kitchen Floor Repairs, 6. Approve Payment Application No. 2 for the

Donna North High School Kitchen Floor Repairs, B. Academic Services - 1. Approve 2021-2022 Academic School Year Optional Flexible School Day Program Application for Donna ISD 3D Academy High School, 2. Approve McAllen ISD Regional Day School Program for the Deaf Interlocal Cooperation Agreement, 3. Approve Memorandum of Understanding Between Donna ISD-CTE Department and Rio Grande Valley College Regarding Emergency Medical Technology (EMT) for 20 total 12<sup>th</sup> Grade students (DHS, DNHS & 3-D Academy) for School Year 2021-2022, 4. Approve Memorandum of Understanding Between Donna ISD-CTE Department and RGV CDL Regarding Commercial Driver's License Program for 18 total 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students (DHS, DNHS & 3-D Academy) for School Year 2021-2022, 5. Approve Purchase of Instructional Material from Teacher Created Materials for Intervention and High-Dosage Tutorials, 6. Approve Donna ISD Student Code of Conduct for the 2021-2022 School Year, 7. Approve Interlocal Agreement with South Texas College Dual Credit Programs 2021-2022 School Year, 8. Approve Purchase for RLA Adaptive Program: Istation PK-8<sup>th</sup> and Istation Español PK-5<sup>th</sup> for the 2021-2022 Academic School Year, 9. Approve Purchase of Imagine Math Facts as a Component of the DISD Learning Loss Plan, C. Support Services - 1. Approve Minutes for Regular Videoconference Board Meeting July 27, 2021, 2. Approve Ratification of Region One Library Services & Instructional Resources Cooperative for 2021-2022 School Year, 3. Approve Purchase of PPE Supplies for Students and Staff from Buyboard Vendors, D. Human Resources - 1. Approve to Award RFP #062421-620 Excess Reinsurance Workers' Compensation to Montalvo Insurance Agency, 2. Approve Property Casualty Alliance of Texas (PCAT) Renewal for Property and Casualty Insurance for 2021-2022, and 3. Approve Revisions on Compensation Plan 2021-2022). It was second by Trustee De Los Rios and voted in favor. Trustees J. Valdez, Valdez, Castillo, Perez and Reyna voted in favor. The motioned carried.

## **V. GOVERNANCE**

### **1. Conservator Monthly Report for June 2021**

Mrs. Romeros presented the Conservator Monthly Report for June 2021.

## **VI. The Board Convened into EXECUTIVE SESSION as Authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.075, 551.076, 551.082, 551.083 and 551.084. (7:21 p.m.)**

### **A. Discussion of Superintendent's Recommendation of Personnel**

- **Recommendations for Professionals to Include Hiring and Termination Recommendations**
- **Update of District Personnel**
  
- B. Discussion and Consideration to Employ Director of Finance**
  
- C. Discussion and Consideration of Supplemental Duty Agreement of Acting Superintendent**
  
- D. Consultation with Attorney and Consideration of Superintendent Hiring Process**
  
- E. Review and Discuss Candidates and Candidate Applications for the Position of Superintendent of Schools to include candidate questions and interviews**
  
- F. Discussion and Private Consultation with Attorney Regarding Pending or Contemplated Litigation, Settlement Matters, and/or Matters Where the Professional Duty Under State Board Requires Private Consultation with the School Attorney**

Trustee J. Valdez left early at 9:40 p.m.

The board reconvened back into open session at 9:43 p.m.

**VII. OPEN SESSION - Take possible action on matters discussed in Executive Session.**

- A. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Superintendent's Recommendation of Personnel**
  - **Approval of Recommendation for Professionals to Include Hiring and Termination Recommendations**

Trustee Watts made a motion to approve the Superintendent's Recommendation of Personnel, \* Approval of Recommendation for Professionals to Include Hiring

and Termination Recommendations. It was second by Trustee Perez. Trustees Castillo, Valdez and Reyna voted in favor. The motioned carried.

Trustee De Los Rios left early at 9:43 p.m.

**B. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve to Employ Director of Finance**

Ms. Rebecca Castañeda recommended the board to approve Gerardo Cavazos as Director of Finance.

Trustee Castillo made a motion to approve the recommendation of Ms. Rebecca Castañeda. It was second by Trustee Watts. Trustees Valdez, Reyna and Perez voted in favor. The motioned carried.

**C. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Supplemental Duty Agreement of Acting Superintendent**

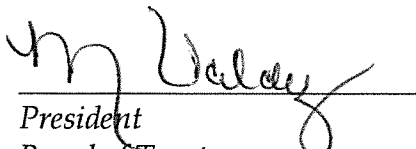
Trustee Watts made a motion to approve Supplemental Duty Agreement of Acting Superintendent. It was second by Trustee Perez. Trustees Castillo, Valdez and Reyna voted in favor. The motioned carried.

**D. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Superintendent Hiring Process**


No action on this item.

**VIII. ADJOURN**

Trustee Watts made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was second by Trustee Perez. Trustees Reyna, Castillo and Valdez voted in favor. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

  
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President  
Board of Trustees  
Donna ISD

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Secretary

Date Approved: September 14, 2021