

REGULAR VIDEOCONFERENCE BOARD MEETING

Minutes

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Immediately After the Public Hearing

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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 6:05 p.m. with the following Board of Trustees were in attendance:

Dr. Maricela Valdez, President
Mr. David De Los Rios, Vice President
Mr. Jose L. Valdez, Secretary
Mr. Fernando Castillo, Trustee
Col Roberto Perez, Trustee
Mr. Jose Rogelio Reyna Jr., Trustee
Mrs. Eva Castillo Watts, Trustee

The following administrators were in attendance:

Dr. Hafedh Azaiez, Superintendent
Mrs. Velma Rangel, Assistant Superintendent of Special Services (via Zoom)
Dr. Anthony Sorola, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources (via Zoom)
Ms. Ludivina Cansino, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations (via Zoom)
Dr. Debra Aceves, Assistant Superintendent of Leadership (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. December LSG Monitoring Report**
 - Goal 1**
 - GPM 1.1**
 - GPM 1.2**
 - GPM 1.3**
 - Superintendent Evaluation of Goal 1 and Next Steps**
 - Superintendent Constraint 1**
 - CPM 1.1**
 - Board Accept/Reject Report**

Dr. Hafedh Azaiez presented the December LSG Monitoring Report A. Goal 1, GPM 1.1, GPM 1.2, GPM 1.3, B. Superintendent Evaluation of Goal 1 and next steps, C. Superintendent Constraint 1, CPM 1.1 and D. Board accept/reject report.

Trustees Valdez, J. Valdez, Watts, Perez, Reyna, De Los Rios and Castillo accepted the November LSG Monitoring Report A. Goal 3, GPM 3.1, GPM 3.2, GPM 3.3, B. Superintendent Evaluation of Goal 3 and next steps and C. Superintendent Constraint 3 CPM 3.1. report. The motioned carried.

- 2. District Highlights**

Dr. Hafedh Azaiez and Dr. Anthony Sorola presented the district highlights.

- 3. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Targeted Improvement Plans for the Following Campuses: Garza Elementary, Ochoa Elementary, Veterans Middle School 3D Academy and Rivas Elementary as per State and Federal Requirements**

Dr. Hafedh Azaiez recommended the board approve the Targeted Improvement Plans for the Following Campuses: Garza Elementary, Ochoa Elementary, Veterans Middle School 3D Academy and Rivas Elementary as per State and Federal Requirements.

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

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. BUSINESS AND FINANCE

1. Approve Accounts Payable
2. Approve Budget Amendments for the month of December, 2020
3. Approve Report on Monthly Tax Collections for the Month of October, 2020
4. Approve Financial Statements for the Month of October, 2020
5. Approve 2020 Tax Roll Totals for Donna Independent School District
6. Approve to Reject RFP #091620-562 Dining & Décor for Donna Early College High School

B. ACADEMIC SERVICES

1. Approve Learning A-Z Online Program that Provides Literacy-Focused Resources for Instruction and Practice, English and Spanish
2. Approve Workforce Development Board Child Care Local Match Contribution Agreement

C. SUPPORT SERVICES

1. Approve Minutes for Regular Videoconference Board Meeting November 18, 2020 and Special Board Meeting November 12, 2020
2. Approve ERI (Educational Research Institute) Grant Writing Service Contract for 2021-2022 Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers Cycle 11, Grant

D. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. Approve The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley Interlocal Cooperation Contract

Trustee De Los Rios made a motion to approve Consent Agenda (A. Business and Finance - 1. Approve Accounts Payable, 2. Approve Budget Amendments for the

month of December, 2020, 3. Approve Report on Monthly Tax Collections for the Month of October, 2020, 4. Approve Financial Statements for the Month of October, 2020, 5. Approve 2020 Tax Roll Totals for Donna Independent School District, 6. Approve to Reject RFP #091620-562 Dining & Décor for Donna Early College High School, B. Academic Services - 1. Approve Learning A-Z Online Program that Provides Literacy-Focused Resources for Instruction and Practice, English and Spanish, 2. Approve Workforce Development Board Child Care Local Match Contribution Agreement, C. Support Services - 1. Approve Minutes for Regular Videoconference Board Meeting November 18, 2020 and Special Board Meeting November 12, 2020, 2. Approve ERI (Educational Research Institute) Grant Writing Service Contract for 2021-2022 Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers Cycle 11, Grant, D. Human Resources - 1. Approve The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley Interlocal Cooperation Contract). It was second by Trustee Watts. Trustees Castillo, Valdez, J. Valdez, Reyna and Perez voted in favor. The motioned carried.

V. GOVERNANCE

1. Conservator Monthly Report for October 2020

Mrs. Romeros presented the Conservator Monthly Report for October 2020.

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. (7:22 p.m.)

- A. Discussion of Superintendent's Recommendation of Personnel**
 - Recommendations for Professionals to Include Hiring and Termination Recommendations
 - Update of District Personnel

- B. Conduct and Discuss Level III Grievance of:**
 - Ambrosio Francisco Limon
 - Sandy Medellin

- C. 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

The board reconvened back into open session at 10:03 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 Perez made a motion to approve Superintendent's Recommendation of Personnel, * Approval of Recommendation for Professionals to Include Hiring and Termination Recommendations. It was second by Trustee Reyna. Trustees Watts and Valdez voted in favor. Trustees Castillo, De Los Rios and J. Valdez voted against. The motioned carried.

- A. Discussion and Possible Action of Level III Grievance of:**
- **Ambrosio Francisco Limon**

Dr. Maricela Valdez entertained a motion to grant in part and deny in part as discussed in Executive Session with director given to Counsel.

Trustee De Los Rios made a motion to grant in part and deny in part as discussed in Executive Session with director given to Counsel. It was second by Trustee Perez. Trustees J. Valdez, Reyna, Castillo, Watts and Valdez voted in favor. The motioned carried.

- **Sandy Medellin**

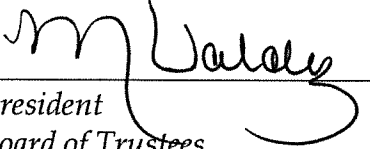
Trustee De Los Rios made a motion to approve as discussed in Executive Session. It was second by Trustee Perez. Trustees J. Valdez, Reyna, Castillo, Watts and Valdez voted in favor. The motioned carried.

- B. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Pending or Contemplated Litigation, Settlement Matters, and/or Matters Where the Professional Duty Under State Board Requires Private Consultation with the School Attorney**

No action on this item.

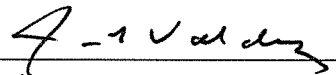
VIII. ADJOURN

Trustee De Los Rios made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was second by Trustee Perez. Trustees J. Valdez, Reyna, Watts, Castillo and Valdez voted in favor. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:04 p.m.



President
Board of Trustees
Donna ISD

and



Secretary

Date Approved: January 12, 2021