

REGULAR VIDEOCONFERENCE BOARD MEETING

Minutes

Tuesday, July 28, 2020

12:00 p.m. Noon

Due to the health and safety concerns related to the COVID-19 coronavirus, this meeting will be conducted by Videoconference. At least a quorum of the board will be participating by Videoconference in accordance with the provisions of Sections 551.125 or 551.127 of the Texas Government Code that have not been suspended by order of the Governor.

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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 Eva Castillo Watts called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. with the following Board of Trustees were in attendance:

Mrs. Eva C. Watts, President
Dr. Maricela Valdez, Vice President via Zoom
Col Roberto Perez, Secretary via Zoom
Mr. David De Los Rios, Trustee
Mrs. Alicia Reyna, Trustee via Zoom

The following Board of Trustees were absent:

Mr. Valentin Guerrero, Trustee
Dr. Donna Mery, Trustee

The following administrators were in attendance:

Dr. Hafedh Azaiez, Superintendent
Mrs. Velma Rangel, Assistant Superintendent of District Operations via Zoom
Dr. Anthony Sorola, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources via Zoom
Ms. Ludivina Cansino, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance and via Zoom
Mr. Rana, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction via Zoom
Dr. Debra Aceves, Assistant Superintendent of Leadership via Zoom

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mrs. Eva Castillo Watts 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

Dr. Hafedh Azaiez stated the next item on the agenda is public comment. The public comment portion of our meeting is available to members of the public who wish to address an agenda item to be considered by the Board on today's agenda.

Anyone who wants to speak during public comment must sign in prior to the start of the meeting and list the agenda item they want to discuss. Each public comment speaker will be allowed a maximum of 3 minutes to address the Board. However, any public testimony speaker who requires a translator, will receive up to 6 minutes to address the Board.

The public comment portion of the meeting will allow all speakers who have signed up before the start of the meeting to address the Board regarding an item on today's agenda. I ask that you not discuss students who are not your own child.

Policies DGBA, FNG and GF are available for specific complaints reading employee, parent and community member complaints respectively. Thank you our first speaker is Mrs. Alma De La Garza. Mrs. Alma De La Garza addressed the Open Forum with concerns on the 2020-2021 School Calendar.

Donna ISD was having technical difficulties.

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. District Update

Dr. Hafedh Azaiez presented the District Updates.

2. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve to Award Request for Qualifications #061120-323 Financial Advisor Services

Trustee De Los Rios made a motion to approve to award request for qualifications #061120-323 Financial Advisors Services to Estrada Hinojosa (Investment Bankers). It was second by Trustee Valdez. Trustees Perez and Watts voted in favor. The motioned carried. (Trustee Reyna had multiple technical difficulties and therefore cut in and out of the zoom meeting for periods of time which is why her vote is not represented on this agenda item.)

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3. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve RFP #051820-545 Donna ISD Wifi Communication Towers District Wide and Vendor WiFi R-US Telecommunications Services to install and Configure the Communication Towers

Trustee De Los Rios made a motion to approve RFP # 051820-545 Donna ISD Wifi Communication Towers District Wide and Vendor WiFi R-US Telecommunications Services to install and Configure the Communication Towers. It was second by Trustee Perez. Trustees Valdez and Watts voted in favor. The motioned carried. (Trustee Reyna had multiple technical difficulties and therefore cut in and out of the zoom meeting for periods of time which is why her vote is not represented on this agenda item.)

1. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Alternative 2020-2021 School Year Calendar

Trustee Perez made a motion to approve alternative 2020-2021 school year calendar. It was second by Trustee De Los Rios. Trustees Valdez and Watts voted in favor. The motioned carried. (Trustee Reyna had multiple technical difficulties and therefore cut in and out of the zoom meeting for periods of time which is why her vote is not represented on this agenda item.)

2. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve to Award RFP #061120-552 Student Accident/Athletic Insurance for the 2020-2021 School Year with the Option to Renew for 2 Additional Year

Trustee Valdez made a motion to reject to Award RFP #061120-552 Student Accident/Athletic Insurance for the 2020-2021 School Year with the Option to Renew for 2 Additional Year. It was second by Trustee Perez. Trustees De Los Rios and Watts voted in favor. The motioned carried. (Trustee Reyna had multiple technical difficulties and therefore cut in and out of the zoom meeting for periods of time which is why her vote is not represented on this agenda item.)

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. BUSINESS AND FINANCE

- 1. Approve Accounts Payable**
- 2. Approve Budget Amendment for General Operating of the Month of June, 2020**

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3. **Approve to Set Date of August 25, 2020 for Public Hearing on Budget and Proposed Tax Rate for 2020-2021**
4. **Approve Report on Financial Statements for the Month of May, 2020**
5. **Approve Investment Report: 3rd Quarter (March, 2020, April, 2020 & May, 2020)**
6. **Approve Report on Monthly Tax Collections for the Month of May & June, 2020**
7. **Approve to Renew Linebarger, Goggan, Blair & Sampson, LLP to Continue to Provide Delinquent Tax Services**
8. **Approve Donna ISD to go over the \$50,000 Threshold for the Services of ServPro of McAllen**

B. ACADEMIC SERVICES

1. **Approve McAllen ISD Regional Day School Program for the Deaf Interlocal Cooperation Agreement**
2. **Approve 3D Academy H.S. School Calendar for 2020-2021**
3. **Approve Interlocal Agreement from South Texas College Dual Credit Programs**
4. **Approve University of Texas Engineer Your World Agreement for the 2020-2023 School Years**

C. DISTRICT OPERATIONS

1. **Approve Minutes for Regular Videoconference Board Meeting June 9, 2020 and Special Board Meeting June 23, 2020**
2. **Approve Ratification of COVID-19 Related Waivers for the 2019-2020 School Year: Educator/Principal/Administrator Appraisal; CPR Instruction Requirement; Instructional Materials Inventory Requirement; Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery Test; Annual Financial Report Due Date Extension; Missed School Day; Parent Notice Requirements for Students at Risk of Failure**

D. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. **Approve Memorandum of Understanding between Hidalgo County Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (JJAEP) for the 2020-2021 School Year**

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Trustee De Los Rios made a motion to approve Consent Agenda (A. Business and Finance - 1. Approve Accounts Payable, 2. Approve Budget Amendment for General Operating of the Month of June, 2020, 3. Approve to Set Date of August 25, 2020 for Public Hearing on Budget and Proposed Tax Rate for 2020-2021, 4. Approve Report on Financial Statements for the Month of May, 2020, 5. Approve Investment Report: 3rd Quarter (March, 2020, April, 2020 & May, 2020), 6. Approve Report on Monthly Tax Collections for the Month of May & June, 2020, 7. Approve to Renew Linebarger, Goggan, Blair & Sampson, LLP to Continue to Provide Delinquent Tax Services, 8. Approve Donna ISD to go over the \$50,000 Threshold for the Services of ServPro of McAllen, B. Academic Services - 1. Approve McAllen ISD Regional Day School Program for the Deaf Interlocal Cooperation Agreement, 2. Approve 3D Academy H.S. School Calendar for 2020-2021, 3. Approve Interlocal Agreement from South Texas College Dual Credit Programs, 4. Approve University of Texas Engineer Your World Agreement for the 2020-2023 School Years, C. District Operations - 1. Approve Minutes for Regular Videoconference Board Meeting June 9, 2020 and Special Board Meeting June 23, 2020, 2. Approve Ratification of COVID-19 Related Waivers for the 2019-2020 School Year: Educator/Principal/Administrator Appraisal; CPR Instruction Requirement; Instructional Materials Inventory Requirement; Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery Test; Annual Financial Report Due Date Extension; Missed School Day; Parent Notice Requirements for Students at Risk of Failure, and D. Human Resources - 1. Approve Memorandum of Understanding between Hidalgo County Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (JJAEP) for the 2020-2021 School Year). It was second by Trustee Valdez. Trustees Perez, Reyna and Watts voted in favor. The motioned carried.

V. GOVERNANCE

1. Conservator Monthly Report for May & June 2020

Mrs. Romeros presented the Conservator Monthly Report for May & June 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. (1:28 p.m.)

A. Discussion of Superintendent's Recommendation of Personnel

- **Recommendations for Professionals to Include Hiring and Termination Recommendations**

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- **Update of District Personnel**
- B. **Discussion and Consideration to Approve Administrator Chapter 21 Probationary Contract for the 2020-2021 School Year**
- C. **Discussion and Consideration to Approve Non-Chapter 21 Contract for 2020-2021 School Year**
- D. **Discussion and Consideration of Settlement Regarding CL-19-0791-H; Guevara v. DISD**
- E. **Discuss Level III Grievance of:**
 - **Nancy Bogenreif**
 - **Erica Sandoval**
- 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 De Los Rios left the meeting early at 2:10 p.m.

The board reconvened back into open session at 2:13 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 Valdez 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 Perez. Trustees Reyna and Watts voted in favor. The motioned carried.

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A. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Administrator Chapter 21 Probationary Contract for the 2020-2021 School Year

No action on this item.

B. Discussion and Possible Action to Approved Non-Chapter 21 Contract for 2020-2021 School Year

Trustee Valdez made a motion to approve Non-Chapter 21 Contract for 2020-2021 School Year as discussed in Executive Session. It was second by Trustee Perez. Trustees Reyna and Watts voted in favor. The motioned carried.

C. Discussion and Possible Action of Settlement Regarding CL-19-0791-H; Guevara v. DISD

Trustee Valdez made a motion to approve settlement regarding CL-19-0797-H; Guevara v. DISD as discussed in Executive Session. It was second by Trustee Perez. Trustees Reyna and Watts voted in favor. The motioned carried.

D. Discussion and Possible Action of Level III Grievance of:

- **Nancy Bogenreif**

Trustee Valdez made a motion to grant remedies as requested (Level III Grievance of Nancy Bogenreif). It was second by Trustee Perez. Trustees Reyna and Watts voted in favor. The motioned carried.

- **Erica Sandoval**

No action on this item.

E. 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

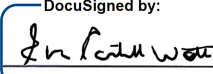
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VIII. ADJOURN

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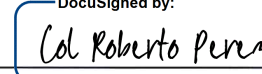
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Trustee Perez made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was second by Trustee Valdez. Trustees Reyna and Watts voted in favor. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:21 p.m.

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Secretary

Date Approved: August 11, 2020