

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Minutes**  
**Tuesday, August 13, 2019**

**STAFF DEVELOPMENT CENTER/BOARD ROOM**  
**904 Hester Avenue**  
**Donna, Texas**  
**6:00 p.m.**

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Board President Mrs. Eva C. Watts called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following board members in attendance:

Mrs. Eva C. Watts, President  
Dr. Maricela Valdez, Vice President  
Col Roberto Perez, Secretary  
Mr. David De Los Rios, Trustee  
Mr. Valentin Guerrero, Trustee  
Dr. Donna Mery, Trustee (*late*)  
Mrs. Alicia Reyna, Trustee

The following administrators were in attendance:

Dr. Hafedh Azaiez, Superintendent  
Mrs. Velma Rangel, Assistant Superintendent of District Operations  
Mrs. Janie Ybarra-Rodriguez, Director of Human Resources  
Ms. Ludivina Cansino, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance  
Mr. Rana, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction  
Dr. Debra Aceves, Assistant Superintendent of Leadership

Mr. George Farah, Attorney  
Mrs. Linda Romeros, TEA Conservator

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Mrs. Eva C. 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. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

### **1. Recognition of Competition in the State ANGLEs Challenge in Austin, Texas on July 20, 2019 LSG Goal 3**

Ms. Anderson recognized the Competition in the State ANGLEs Challenge in Austin, Texas on July 20, 2019 LSG Goal 2.

Dr. Donna Mery arrived for the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

### **2. Recognition of 2019 German American Partnership Program Exchange between Donna North High School and Ferdinand Von Miller Realschule in Munich, Germany LSG Goal 3.3**

Mr. Ruiz recognized the 2019 German American Partnership Program Exchange between Donna North High School and Ferdinand Von Miller Realschule in Munich, Germany LSG Goal 3.3 and former DNHS students said a few words about the partnership program.

### **3. District Highlights**

Dr. Hafedh Azaiez presented the video with district highlights.

### **4. August 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**
- D. Board Accept/Reject Report**

Dr. Hafedh Azaiez presented the August 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.

Trustee Mery made a motion to approve the August 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. and D. Board accept/reject report. It was second by Trustee De Los Rios. Trustees Guerrero, Reyna, Watts and Perez voted in favor. The motioned carried.

**5. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Endorsement for the TASB Board of Directors for Region 1, Position B**

Trustee Perez made a motion to approve endorsement for the TASB Board of Directors for Region 1, Position B Yolanda Cuellar. It was second by Trustee Reyna. Trustees Mery, De Los Rios, Valdez, Watts and Guerrero voted in favor. The motioned carried.

**III. OPEN FORUM**

No one addressed the Open Forum.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. BUSINESS AND FINANCE**

1. Approve Accounts Payable
2. Approve Budget Amendments for General Operation for the Month of August 2019
3. Approve Report Financial Statements for the Month of June, 2019
4. Approve Report on Monthly Tax Collections for the Month of June, 2019
5. Approve Warehouse (Teacher Supply) Replenish for School Year 2019-2020
6. Approve to Authorize to Award Vendor for Mops and Mats Services for 2019-220 School Year with the Option to Extend up to Two (2) one (1) Year Extensions with the Written Consent of DISD and Vendors
7. Approve to Authorize to Award Vendor for the Purchase of Letter Jackets for 2019-2020 School Year with the Option to Extend up to Two (2) One (1) Year Extensions with the Written Consent of DISD and Vendors
8. Approve the Purchase of Door Barricades System to all

**Campuses to Ensure the School Safety for Shelter in Place Events**

9. **Approve to Award Request for Qualifications # 062719-321 Bond Counsel Services to Perform All Services and Duties Customarily and Usually Performed by a Bond Counsel for Fiscal Year 2019-2020, with DISD Having the Option to Renew the Agreement for Four (4) Additional Years in One (1) Year Increments**
10. **Approve New Pay System and Employee Pay Increase for Fiscal Year 2019-2020**

**B. ACADEMIC SERVICES**

1. **Approve The University of Texas OnRamps Dual Enrollment Program Agreement for the 2019-2020 School Year**
2. **Approve Memorandum of Understanding from South Texas College Dual Credit Program for the 2019-2020 School Year**
3. **Approve Region I Service Center Agreement for Services from the Gifted and Talented Department for the 2019-2120 School Year**
4. **Approve to Award Imagine Learning a Three-Year Contract Agreement for their Product Reasoning Mind: Blueprint at a Discounted Price per Year**
5. **Approve Ratification of Student Out of State and Overnight Travel to NASA Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas and NASA Ames Research Center in Mountain View, California**
6. **Approve Insight Investments Computer Lease Renewal of all Elementary Campuses and DAEP**
7. **Approve Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Donna ISD - M. Rivas Elementary School and Professional Service Provider (PSP), Mrs. Gloria Cepeda, for the 2019-2020 School Year**
8. **Approve Local Memorandum of Understanding between Donna ISD (LEA) and CDI Migrant Seasonal Head Start**
9. **Approve Policy Change to FMH (Local) and EI (Local)**
10. **Approve MOU between Donna ISD and RGV CDL Regarding the Commercial Driver's License Program through the CTE Department for DHS and DNHS 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students for School Year 2019-2020**

### **C. DISTRICT OPERATIONS**

- 1. Approve Minutes for Regular Board Meeting, July 23, 2019**
- 2. Approve Payment Application No. 14 in the Amount of \$122,341.08 to NM Contracting, LLC for Todd Middle School Classroom Addition**
- 3. Approve Memorandum of Understanding between Region I, ESC Office of Adult Education and Donna ISD**
- 4. Approve to Exercise the Option to Extend the Contract for Preventive Maintenance Plan for HVAC & Refrigeration Equipment, Service and Repairs at the Agreed Upon Terms, Conditions, Specifications and Pricing for a One-year Term Beginning September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020**

### **D. HUMAN RESOURCES**

- 1. Approve the 2019-2020 DISD Student Code of Conduct for Donna ISD**
- 2. Approve to Award RFP #062519-494, Third Party Administration (TPA) Self-Funded Health Insurance (Medical ASO, Stop Loss, PBM, Basic Life/AD&D and Supplemental Life/AD&D Services**
- 3. Approve Plan Year Change for Health, Pharmacy and Stop Loss with United Health Care from Termination Date of August 31, 2019 to September 30, 2019**
- 4. Approve Renewal of Employee Paid Accident, Critical Care, Cancer, Medical Bridge, and Whole Life with Colonial Insurance for the 2019-2020 Plan Year**

### **E. LONE STAR GOVERNANCE**

- 1. Board Attestation**
- 2. LSG Board Tracking Report July 2019**

Trustee De Los Rios made a motion to table Consent Agenda (A. Business and Finance – 8. Approve the Purchase of Door Barricades System to all Campuses to Ensure the School Safety for Shelter in Place Events and D. Human Resources - 4. Approve Renewal of Employee Paid Accident, Critical Care, Cancer, Medical Bridge, and Whole Life with Colonial Insurance for the 2019-2020 Plan Year It was

second by Trustee Reyna. Trustees Guerrero, Watts, Mery and Perez voted in favor. The motioned carried.

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## **V. GOVERNANCE**

### **1. AE Local Policy Discussion**

Discussion on AE Local Policy (schedule Board Workshop on AE Local Policy).

### **2. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Delegate for the TASA/TASB Convention 2019**

Trustee Valdez made a motion to approve Delegate for the TASA/TASB Convention 2019 Col Roberto Perez. It was second by Trustee De Los Rios. Trustees Mery, Reyna, Watts and Guerrero voted in favor. The motioned carried.

## **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, Paraprofessionals and Auxiliary Personnel
- Update of District Personnel
- Recommendations for Proposed Nonrenewal of Term Contract
- Recommendations for Proposed Termination of Probationary Contract

- **Recommendations for Chapter 21 Term and Probationary Contract Renewals**
- B. Consultation with Legal Counsel Regarding Construction Defect Litigation**
- C. Discussion Regarding Potential Resolution of Carlo Cordova v. Donna ISD et al.**
- D. 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 9:16 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, Paraprofessionals and Auxiliary Personnel**

No action on this item.

- **Approval of Recommendations for Proposed Nonrenewal of Term Contract**

No action on this item.

- **Approval of Recommendations for Proposed Termination of Probationary Contract**

No action on this item.

- **Approval of Recommendations for Chapter 21 Term and Probationary Contract Renewals**



Trustee De Los Rios made a motion to approve recommendations for Chapter 21 Term and Probationary Contract Renewals. It was second by Trustee Valdez. Trustees Mery, Reyna, Perez and Guerrero voted in favor. The motion carried.

**B. Discussion and Possible Action on Consultation with Legal Counsel Regarding Construction Defect Litigation**

No action on this item.

**C. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Potential Resolution of Carlo Cordova v. Donna ISD et al.**

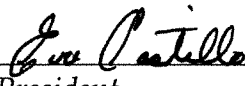
Trustee Reyna made a motion of no action regarding potential resolution of Carlo Cordova v. Donna ISD et al. It was second by Trustee Guerrero. Trustees Mery and Perez voted in favor. Trustees Valdez and De Los Rios abstained. The motion carried.

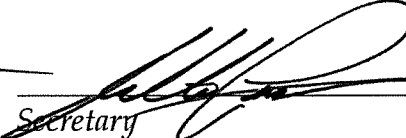
**D. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Pending or Contemplated Litigation, Settlement Matters, and/or Matters Where the Professional Duty Under State Board Requires Private Consultation with the School Attorney**

No action on this item.

**VIII. ADJOURN**

Trustee De Los Rios made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was second by Trustee Valdez. Trustees Reyna, Guerrero, Watts, Mery and Perez voted in favor. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

  
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President  
Board of Trustees  
Donna ISD

  
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Secretary

Date Approved: September 10, 2019