

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**Minutes**

**Monday, February 13, 2017**

**6:00 p.m.**

**STAFF DEVELOPMENT CENTER/BOARD ROOM**

**904 Hester Avenue**

**Donna, Texas**

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Board President Mr. Efren Cenicerros called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. with the following board members in attendance:

Mr. Efren Cenicerros, President  
Mr. Valentin Guerrero, Vice President  
Mrs. Alicia Reyna, Secretary  
Mr. Eloy Avila, Trustee  
Dr. Donna Mery, Trustee  
Mrs. Eva C. Watts, Trustee

The following board member was absent:

Mr. John Billman, Trustee

The following administrators were in attendance:

Mr. Fernando Castillo, Superintendent  
Mr. Javier Villanueva, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources  
Mrs. Velma Rangel, Chief Special Programs Officer  
Ms. Sandy Martinez, Accountant  
Mrs. Alyssa Romero, Attorney  
Mr. George Farah, Attorney

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Mr. Fernando Castillo 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.*

Trustee Guerrero made a motion to move III. OPEN FORUM up before II. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT from now on. It was second by Trustee Avila. Trustees Reyna and Mery voted in favor. The motioned carried.

#### **Board Recognition**

##### **1. Recognition of Donna North High School Band Students Cesar Vera & Antonio Guajardo for Making the Texas All-State Band**

Mr. Guadalupe Ibarra and Mr. Adrian Robledo recognized Donna North High School Band Students Cesar Vera & Antonio Guajardo for making the Texas All-State Band.

##### **2. Recognition of Campuses with a Student Attendance Rate of 98% During the Third Six Weeks Period of the 2016-2017 School Year**

Mrs. Ida Garcia recognized Campuses with a Student Attendance rate of 98% during the Third Six Weeks period of the 2016-2017 school year.

### **III. OPEN FORUM**

Mrs. Linda Estrada addressed the Open Forum with information on Read Across America, Ms. Juanita B. Bueno addressed the Open Forum with an update on the Child Nutrition Program and Ms. Lancy Lopez address the Open Forum with concerns about District of Innovation. (Mrs. Guadalupe Delgado signed up on the Open Forum by mistake).

### **II. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

#### **1. Academic Report for First Round of District Benchmarks**

Mrs. Belinda Cruz and Mr. Rana presented the Academic Report for First Round of District Benchmarks.

#### **2. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Resolution Concerning the A-F Accountability Rating System for Texas Public Schools**

Trustee Reyna made a motion to approve the Resolution Concerning the A-F Accountability Rating System for Texas Public Schools. It was second by Trustee Guerrero. Trustees Mery, Watts and Avila voted in favor. The motioned carried.

**3. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Resolution to Consider Designation as District of Innovation for Donna I.S.D.**

Trustee Guerrero made a motion to reject the Resolution to Consider Designation as District of Innovation for Donna I.S.D. (and went on record). It was second by Trustee Avila. Trustees Mery and Watts voted in favor. Trustee Reyna voted against. The motioned carried.

**4. Report on the First Semester Ranking of the Campuses that Met the 98% Attendance**

Mrs. Ida Garcia presented the Report on the First Semester Ranking of the Campuses that met the 98% Attendance.

**5. Discussion and Possible Action on Approval to Reschedule Regular Board Meeting from March 14, 2017 to March 21, 2017**

Mr. Fernando Castillo recommended the board to approve to reschedule Regular Board Meeting from March 14, 2017 to March 21, 2017.

Trustee Watts made a motion to approve the recommendation of Mr. Fernando Castillo. It was second by Trustee Mery. Trustees Guerrero, Reyna, and Avila voted in favor. The motioned carried.

**6. Report on All Fall Sports from Donna High, Donna North and All Middle Schools**

Mr. Manuel Moreno presented the report on all Fall sport from Donna High, Donna North and all Middle Schools.

**7. Presentation on the Child Nutrition Program**

Ms. Diana Quintanilla presented on the Child Nutrition Program.

**8. Discussion and Possible Action to Change all Campus Level Child Nutrition Program Personnel to 8 Hours**

Trustee Avila made a motion to approve to change all campus level Child Nutrition Program personnel to 8 hours. It was second by Trustee Watts. Trustees Reyna, Mery and Guerrero voted in favor. The motioned carried.

### **III. OPEN FORUM**

This item was moved up before item II.

### **IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. **Accounts Payable**
2. **Discussion and Possible Action on Budget Amendments for General Operating and Special Revenue for the Month of January, 2017**

Mr. Fernando Castillo recommended the board to approve the Budget Amendments for General Operating and Special Revenue for the Month of January, 2017.

Trustee Reyna made a motion to approve the recommendation of Mr. Fernando Castillo. It was second by Trustee Watts. Trustees Avila, Mery and Guerrero voted in favor. The motioned carried.

3. **Investment Report: January 2017**
4. **Financial Statements: District's Financial and Child Nutrition Program for December 2016**
5. **Report on Monthly Tax Collections for the Month of December, 2016**
6. **Approval of Minutes for Regular Board Meeting January 10, 2017 and Special Board Meeting January 25, 2017**

Mr. Fernando Castillo recommended the board to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting January 10, 2017 and Special Board Meeting January 25, 2017.

Trustee Reyna made a motion to approve the recommendation of Mr. Fernando Castillo. It was second by Trustee Watts. Trustees Mery, Avila and Guerrero voted in favor. The motioned carried.

### **DO. DISTRICT OPERATIONS**

**DO.1 Architect's Monthly Report (ROFAA):  
\* Status Report on All of Donna ISD's Current Facility Projects**

Mr. Luis Figueroa presented the Architect's Monthly Report (ROFAA): \*Status Report on All of Donna ISD's Current Facility Projects.

**AS. ACADEMIC SERVICES**

**AS.1 Discussion and Possible Action on Adopt-A-Highway Program Agreement Renewal**

Mr. Fernando Castillo recommended the board to approve Adopt-A-Highway Program Agreement Renewal.

Trustee Avila made a motion to approve the recommendation of Mr. Fernando Castillo. It was second by Trustee Watts. Trustees Reyna, Mery and Guerrero voted in favor. The motioned carried.

**AS.2 Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of Title I 1003(A) Priority and Focus School Grant Carry Over NOGA #17610112108902000 (FUND 211) in the Amount of \$83,585**

Mr. Fernando Castillo recommended the board to approve Title I 1003(A) Priority and Focus School Grant carry over NOGA #17610112108902000 (Fund 211) in the amount of \$83,585.

Trustee Watts made a motion to approve the recommendation of Mr. Fernando Castillo. It was second by Trustee Avila. Trustees Reyna, Mery and Guerrero voted in favor. The motioned carried.

**BF. BUSINESS AND FINANCE**

**BF.1 Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of State Travel Reimbursement for School Year 2016-2017**

Mr. Fernando Castillo recommended the board to approve the State Travel reimbursement for school year 2016-2017.

Trustee Avila made a motion to approve the recommendation of Mr. Fernando Castillo. It was second by Trustee Guerrero. Trustees Reyna, Mery and Watts voted in favor. The motioned carried.

**BF.2 Discussion and Possible Action to Solicit Request for Quotes (RFQ) #021317-038 for HVAC & Refrigeration Equipment - Service and Repairs to also Include Kitchen Repairs/Service of all Kitchen Equipment for District Wide Cafeterias for the 2016-2017 School Year**

Mr. Fernando Castillo recommended the board to approve to solicit request for quotes (RFQ) #021317-038 for HVAC & refrigeration equipment-service and repairs to also include kitchen repairs/servicing of all kitchen equipment for district wide cafeterias for the 2016-2017 School Year.

Trustee Mery made a motion to approve the recommendation of Mr. Fernando Castillo. It was second by Trustee Watts. Trustees Reyna, Avila and Guerrero voted in favor. The motioned carried.

**BF.3 Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Renewal Agreement with SHI Government Solutions for the Microsoft for Students, Faculty and Staff District Wide 2017-2018**

Mr. Fernando Castillo recommended the board to approve renewal agreement with SHI Government Solutions for the Microsoft for students, faculty and staff district wide 2017-2018.

Trustee Watts made a motion to approve the recommendation of Mr. Fernando Castillo. It was second by Trustee Mery. Trustees Reyna, Avila and Guerrero voted in favor. The motioned carried.

**BF.4 Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Truck #651 to be Submitted to Auction Due to Excessive Deterioration of Vehicle**

Mr. Fernando Castillo recommended the board to approve truck #651 to be submitted to auction due to excessive deterioration of vehicle.

Trustee Guerrero made a motion to approve the recommendation of Mr. Fernando Castillo. It was second by Trustee Watts. Trustees Reyna, Mery and Avila voted in favor. The motioned carried.

**BF.5 Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Bids Received and Award to the Most Advantageous Bidder to Replace District-Wide Printer for School Year 2016-2017**

Trustee Reyna made a motion to reject bids and to negotiate with the current bidders to replace district-wide printer for school year 2016-2017. It was second by Trustee Mery. Trustees Watts, Avila and Guerrero voted in favor. The motioned carried.

## **HR. HUMAN RESOURCES**

### **HR.1 Discussion and Possible Action to Solicit Request for Proposals (RFP) #021317-355 for Self-Funded and Fully-Funded Health Insurance Program to include Claim Administrator Services, Utilization Review Services, PPO, Stoploss/Reinsurance and Pharmacy Benefit Management (PBM) for Donna ISD Employees**

Mr. Fernando Castillo recommended the board to approve to solicit request for proposals (RFP) #021317-355 for self-funded and fully-funded health insurance program to include Claim Administrator Services, Utilization Review Services, PPO, Stoploss/Reinsurance and Pharmacy Benefit Management (PBM) for Donna ISD Employees.

Trustee Mery made a motion to approve the recommendation of Mr. Fernando Castillo. It was second by Trustee Guerrero. Trustees Reyna, Watts and Avila voted in favor. The motioned carried.

## **V. 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. (8:36 p.m.)**

- A. Discussion of Superintendent's Recommendation of Personnel**
- B. Discussion on District Personnel**
- C. Discussion of Superintendent's Recommendations Regarding Proposed Termination of Personnel**
- D. Discussion Regarding Possible Resolution of Cause No. C-2555-05-C; Evans, David Neal v. Donna I.S.D. with Legal Counsel**
- E. Discussion of Proposed Settlement of CL-14-4169-F; Valley Risk Consulting, Inc., Arthur J. Gallagher & Co, and Joe**

**Salazar, Individually and D/B/A Salazar Insurance Group  
v. Donna ISD**

- 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**

The board reconvened back into open session at 10:04 p.m.

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

- A. Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of  
Superintendent's Recommendation of Personnel**

Mr. Fernando Castillo recommended the board to approve the Superintendent's Recommendation of Personnel one Counselor, on Special Education Teaching Assistant and termination of 9 at will employees.

Trustee Guerrero made a motion to approve the recommendation of Mr. Fernando Castillo. It was second by Trustee Reyna. Trustees Mery, Watts and Avila voted in favor. The motioned carried.

- B. Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of District  
Personnel**

No action on this item.

- C. Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of  
Superintendent's Recommendations  
Regarding Proposed Termination of Personnel**

No action on this item.

- D. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Possible  
Resolution of Cause No. C-2555-05-C; Evans, David Neal v.  
Donna I.S.D. with Legal Counsel**



Trustee Avila made a motion to approve Counsel's recommendation (Resolution of Cause No. C-2555-05-C; Evans, David Neal v. Donna I.S.D.). It was second by Trustee Mery. Trustees Reyna and Guerrero voted in favor. Trustee Watts abstained. The motioned carried.

**E. Discussion and Possible Action of the Proposed Settlement of CL-14-4169-F; Valley Risk Consulting, Inc., Arthur J. Gallagher & Co, and Joe Salazar, Individually and D/B/A Salazar Insurance Group v. Donna ISD**

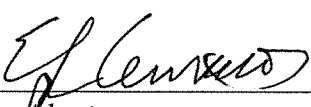
Trustee Guerrero made a motion to approve Counsel's recommendation as discussed (settlement of CL-14-4169-F; Valley Risk Consulting, Inc., Arthur J. Gallagher & Co, and Joe Salazar, individually and D/B/A Salazar Insurance Group v. Donna ISD). It was second by Trustee Watts. Trustees Mery, Reyna and Avila voted in favor. The motioned carried.


**F. Discussion and Possible Action on Approval Regarding 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.

**VII. ADJOURN**

Trustee Avila made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was second by Trustee Watts. Trustees Mery, Guerrero and Reyna voted in favor. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:07 p.m.

  
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President  
Board of Trustees  
Donna ISD

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Secretary

Date Approved: March 21, 2017