



SANTA MARIA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Monday, August 9, 2021
6:00 PM

MINUTES

Notice is hereby given that a scheduled Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Santa Maria Independent School District will be held on Monday, August 9, 2021 at 6:00 PM. This meeting will be held at the Santa Maria Independent School District Board Room, 11119 Military Road, Santa Maria, TX 78592.

The Santa Maria Independent School District offers reasonable accommodations for persons accessing its school facilities, as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you require special accommodations, please contact Alma Bernal, District Receptionist, at (956) 565-6308 for assistance.

CALL TO ORDER

President Adolfo Hinojosa called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ESTABLISH QUORUM

Present

Adolfo Hinojosa, President
Oralia Ortiz, Vice-President
Casey Espinoza, Secretary
Consuelo De La Rosa, Member
Miguel Zavala, Member
Marco Aleman, Member

Absent

Rambaldo Rivera, Member

Present from the District

Martin Cuellar, Superintendent
Elizabeth A. Stenhouse, Human Resource Specialist
Eduardo Gonzales, Interim Business Manager
Audra Gonzalez, School Attorney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPEN FORUM

At regular meeting the Board shall allot no more than 30 minutes to hear persons who desire to make comments to the Board. However, no one presentation shall exceed three minutes. Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting shall sign up with the presiding officer or designee before the meeting begins and shall indicate the topic about which they wish to speak. The topics for discussion are limited to the topics listed on the posted agenda. Specific factual

information or recitation of existing policy may be furnished in response to inquiries, but the Board



shall not deliberate or decide regarding any subject that is not included on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting. The presiding officer or designated shall determine whether a person addressing the Board has attempted to solve a matter administratively through resolution channels established by policy.

It was indicated to the Board President that no one signed up for public comment.

ACTION AGENDA

1. Construction Agenda

1) Approval or Financial Advisor Services with Estrada Hinojosa & Co. retroactive to June 23, 2021
Motion was made by Miguel Zavala and seconded by Oralia Ortiz. Motion passed unanimously

2) Construction Updates for the following:

a) Athletic Facility

b) Additional High School Classrooms

c) Discussion and possible action regarding the roof assessments on the High School Annex, Elementary Entrance and Library and potential funding sources for the repair and or replacement

d) Acceptance of scope for roof repair and or replacement and approval to advertise for request for proposals

Presentation by Joseph Palacios & Alice Rodriguez

3) Discussion, consideration and possible action for approval of pay application #1 to Hellas Construction, LLC for Santa Maria ISD Athletic Facility for the total of \$202,990.34
Motion was made by Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Oralia Ortiz. Motion passed unanimously

4) Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding approval of payment for Invoice #2 to Brighton Group for 2021 Santa Maria Bond Program Project Management Services for the total Of \$23,000.00
Motion was made by Oralia Ortiz and seconded by Consuelo De La Rosa. Motion passed unanimously

5) Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding RFQ 2021 CMAR Santa Maria Bond Program For the addition of classrooms and any other renovation project under the bond program
Motion was made by Miguel Zavala and seconded by Marco Aleman to approve D. Wilson. Motion passed unanimously

2. Curriculum and Instruction

1) Discussion and possible approval of Teacher/Principal Appraisers and Appraisal Timelines for 2021-2022 school year
Motion was made by Oralia Ortiz and seconded by Marco Aleman. Motion passed unanimously

2) Discussion and possible action to approve Memorandum of Understanding between Cameron County Juvenile Program and Santa Maria ISD for school year 2021-2022
Motion was made by Oralia Ortiz and seconded by Consuelo De La Rosa. Motion passed unanimously



- 3) Discussion and possible action to approve the PreK 2022 Texas Comprehensive English and Spanish textbooks for the 2021-2022 School Year that will be purchased by the State of Texas for the district in the amount of \$31,782.00
Motion was made by Casey Espinoza and seconded by Consuelo De La Rosa. Motion passed unanimously

3. **Finance**

- 1) Discussion and possible action to approve TASB Risk Management Fund Contribution and Coverage for Santa Maria ISD for school year 2021-2022
Motion was made by Oralía Ortiz and seconded by Marco Aleman. Motion passed unanimously

4. **Human Resources**

- 1) Discussion and possible action on the proposed 2021-2022 Supplemental Stipends
Motion was made by Miguel Zavala and seconded by Casey Espinoza. Motion passed unanimously

5. **Consent Agenda**

Motion was made by Miguel Zavala and seconded by Oralía Ortiz to approve the consent agenda items. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously at 6:45 p.m.

1) **Finance**

- a. Approval of Check Payments since last report for June 2021 and July 2021
- b. Approval of the Tax Collection Report for June 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021 and July 1, 2021 to July 31, 2021
- c. Approval of Quarterly Investment Report for the period of April 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021
- d. Approval of Revenue and Expenditure Report ending June 2021 and July 2021
- e. Budget Amendment for July 2021

2) **Governance**

- 1) Approval of Policy Update 117

3) **Minutes**

- a. Approval of the Minutes for Special Board Meeting for June 29, 2021
- b. Approval of the Minutes for Special Board Meeting for July 8, 2021

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Marco Aleman and seconded by Casey Espinoza. The board went to Executive Session at 6:47 p.m. and reconvened at 7:20 p.m.



Discussion under the authority of Section 551, Texas Government Code: If, during the course of the meeting covered by this Notice, the Board should determine that a closed session of the Board should be held or is required in relation to any item included in this Notice, then such closed session as authorized by Section 551.001 et. seq. of the Texas Government Code (the Open Government Act) will be held by the Board after the commencement in open session of the meeting covered by

this Notice. Such closed session may concern any or all of the subjects and be conducted for any and all purposes permitted by Section 551.071 through and including Section 551.084 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, including, but not limited to, private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law.

1. A. Section 551.071—Consultation with Attorney on Any Permitted Subject Including, But Not Limited
 - 1) Discussion with School Attorney on Item(s) Exempted under Attorney-Client Privilege
2. B. Section 551.072—Deliberation Regarding Real Property
3. C. Section 551.073—Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gift
4. D. Section 551.074—Personnel Matters, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code and Attorney consultation pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code
 - 1) Resignations, retirements, terminations, proposed terminations, appointments, evaluations, reassignments, duties and discipline of Professional, Paraprofessional and Non-Contract Employees; Teacher Substitutes and Substitutes for Maintenance, Transportation, and Cafeteria Department
 - 2) Discuss all items as appropriate on Superintendent's personnel recommendations
5. E. Section 551.076 – Deliberations on Security Devices or Security Audits
6. F. Section 551.082—School Children; School District Employees; Disciplinary Matters or Complaint
7. G. Section 551.0821—Personally Identifiable Information about Public School Student

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Motion was made by Oralía Ortiz and seconded by Consuelo De La Rosa. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously at 7:20 p.m.

1. Discussion and possible action on items discussed in Executive Session
2. Discussion and possible action on recommendations on all items as appropriate on Superintendent's personnel recommendations.



EXECUTIVE SESSION

(May be reconvened, if necessary)

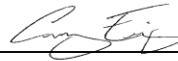
ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Marco Aleman and seconded by Miguel Zavala. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously at 7:21 p.m.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act on Friday, August 6, 2021



Adolfo Hinojosa
Board President



Casey Espinoza
Secretary

This notice has been publicly posted at the administrative offices of the Santa Maria Independent School District, 11119 Military Rd., Cameron County, Santa Maria, Texas, at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the above mentioned meeting, as required by the following sections of the Texas Government Code: 551.071 through 551.084. During the regular school year, this notice is also posted in all schools in the District. The school district also posts its board meeting agendas on the District’s internet web site (www.smisd.net)

Consent Agenda: All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board of Trustees and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired on a specific item(s), that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

Board of Trustees

- Adolfo Hinojosa, President**
- Oralia “Lala” Ortiz, Vice-President**
- Casey Espinoza, Secretary**
- Marco Aleman, Member**
- Consuelo De La Rosa, Member**
- Rambaldo “Ram” Rivera, Jr., Member**
- Miguel Zavala, Member**

