SANTA MARIA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Thursday, January 27, 2022
11:00 AM

MINUTES

Notice is hereby given that a scheduled Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Santa Maria Independent School District will be held on Thursday, January 27, 2022.

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 Amanda Leal, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, at (956) 565-6308 for assistance.

CALL TO ORDER

President Adolfo called the meeting to order at 11:23 a.m.

ESTABLISH QUORUM

Present:

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

Absent:
Oralia Ortiz, Vice-President
Rambaldo Rivera, Member

Present from the District:
Martin Cuellar, Superintendent
Jose Valdez, Business Manager
Salvador Acosta, Federal Programs Director
Elizabeth A. Stenhouse, HR Specialist

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPEN FORUM

At special 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

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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 designed 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. **Finance**
   1) Presentation and possible action to approve the District Audit for 2021
   Presenter was Raul Hernandez, Auditor (Zoom link)
   Motion was made by Miguel Zavala and seconded by Marco Aleman at 11:26 a.m.

2. **Governance**
   1) Discussion and Action to approve resolution approving 5 additional local leave days due to COVID-1
   Presenter was Martin Cuellar, Superintendent of Schools
   Motion was made by Marco Aleman and seconded by Consuelo De La Rosa at 11:36 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Motion was made by Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Miguel Zavala. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously at 11:36 a.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,

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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 Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Casey Espinoza at 11:40 a.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 Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Casey Espinoza. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously at 11:41 a.m.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act on Monday, January 24, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

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)

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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.

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