SANTA MARIA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Monday, January 18, 2021
5:30 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, January 18, 2021 at 5:30 PM

This meeting will be held via zoom:
https://zoom.us/j/95229842121?pwd=L2tpM0xtbWRIaVhkMHAzOW5JajA1UT09 Pass code: 4LA6YA

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 Ninfa Reyes, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools at (956) 565-6308 for assistance.

To sign up for any public comments please email Ninfa Reyes at ninfareyes@smisd.net by Monday, January 18, 2020 at 4:30.

CALL TO ORDER
President Adolfo Hinojosa called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ESTABLISH QUORUM
Present
Adolfo Hinojosa, President
Oralia Ortiz, Vice-President
Casey Espinoza, Secretary
Marco Aleman, Member
Consuelo De La Rosa, Member

Absent
Rambaldo Rivera, Jr., Member
Miguel Zavala, Member

Present from the District
Martin Cuellar, Superintendent
Enrique Cuellar, Business Manager
Ninfa Reyes, Administrative Assistant
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

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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.

Presentations/Action Agenda:

1. Presentation and possible action to approve the District Audit for 2020.

Motion was made by Oralia Ortiz and seconded by Consuelo De La Rosa. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Presentation by Financial Advisor on School Bonds Facilities Funding

Presentation, Report Only

3. School Board Recognition

Presentation

ACTION AGENDA

1. **Curriculum & Instruction**

   1) Discussion and possible action to approve the HB 3 - Board Performance Goals (5 year plan)

   Motion was made by Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Marco Aleman. Motion passed unanimously.

   2) Discussion and possible action to approve District Improvement Plan for the 2020-2021 School Year

   Motion was made by Oralia Ortiz and seconded by Casey Espinoza. Motion passed unanimously.

   3) **Property**

   a. Discussion and possible action on approving bid(s) received on the following property struck off to the Cameron County, for itself and other taxing jurisdictions from a tax resale on November 3, 2020

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LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot Eight (8), block Four (4) of Longoria Townsite, s shown upon a certain map of said Townsite filed for record in the Map Records of Cameron County, Texas (Acct #86-9000-0170-4000-00)
Motion was made by Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Oralia Ortiz. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Discussion and possible action on the resolution approving the bid(s) received on the Tax Resale conducted on November 3, 2020 for the above mentioned property.
Motion was made by Oralia Ortiz and seconded by Consuelo De La Rosa. Motion passed unanimously.

2. **Finance**
   1) Discussion and possible action to approve Payment Modification Agreement with Rayos Del Sol Solar Project, LLC (1252).
   Motion was made by Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Oralia Ortiz. Motion passed unanimously.
3. **Consent Agenda**

Motion was made by Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Oralia Ortiz to approve the consent agenda items. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

1) **Finance**
   a. Approval of Check Payments since last report for December 2020.
   b. Approval of the Tax Collection Report for December 1 to December 31, 2020.
   c. Approval of Monthly Investment Report for the period December 1 December 30, 2020.
   d. Approval of Revenue and Expenditure Report Ending December 2020.
   e. Notification of Budget Amendment for December 2020.
2) **Policy Update 116**
   a. CQB (LOCAL) TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES - CYBERSECURITY
   b. DCD(LOCAL) EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES - AT WILL EMPLOYMENT
   c. FFAC(LOCAL) WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES - MEDICAL TREATMENT
   d. CKA(LOCAL) COMMUNITY RELATIONS - CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PREMISES

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Oralia Ortiz and seconded by Casey Espinoza. The board went to Executive Session at 6:15 p.m. and reconvened at 6:24 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

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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
8. H. Section 551.087 - Discuss commercial or financial information received from Rayos de Sol with which the District may be commencing economic development negotiations

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Motion was made by Casey Espinoza and seconded by Marco Aleman. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Motion was made by Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Casey Espinoza. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Marco Aleman. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously at 6:25 p.m.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act on Friday, January 15th, 2021 at 5:30 p.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)

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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<u>Board of Trustees</u>
Adolfo Hinojosa, President Oralia
"Lala" Ortiz, Vice-President Casey
Espinoza, Secretary
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