

### SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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### **Minutes of Regular Meeting**

## The Board of Trustees South San Antonio ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of South San Antonio ISD was held Wednesday, September 18, 2013, beginning at 6:30 PM in the ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

#### CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

| Roll Call               |                  |            |                 |  |
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| Member                  | In<br>Attendance | Absent     | Late<br>Arrival |  |
| Mr. Trinidad Mata       | X                | 3 2 7 16   |                 |  |
| Ms. Connie Prado        | X                |            | THE RESERVE     |  |
| Ms. Julie Ponce         | X                | a language | 7               |  |
| Mr. JoeJo Savage        | X                |            |                 |  |
| Mr. Carlos Longoria     | X                | m I le I   |                 |  |
| Ms. Rose Marie Martinez | X                | E 1        |                 |  |
| Ms. Helen Madla         | X                |            |                 |  |

| Staff Present   |                    |                  |                 |  |  |
|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| Mourette Hodge  | Phil Marzec        | Ed Suarez        | Pete Alaniz     |  |  |
| Robert Gardner  | Luz Elena Ramirez  | Lorraine De Leon | David Landeros  |  |  |
| Rod Bunsen      | Elvia Perez        | Melba Urdiales   | Arla Chapa      |  |  |
| Ramiro Nava     | Michael Balderrama | Patrick Skees    | Andy Rocha      |  |  |
| Chief Tovar     | Paul Briseno       | Sherrry Moore    | Jenny Arredondo |  |  |
| Pablo Escamilla | Luisa Sandoval     |                  |                 |  |  |

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Mr. Carlos Longoria.

#### CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

| Stacy Estrada   | It draws great concern as there has been no process to seek a superintendent. Many of us feel we should have a say in who is being decided. It is much too early and expensive to seek a Superintendent. This year is the first year I have been heard. Communication through all ends is the key to success. Within days of contacting the interim, my needs were addressed and my son is on track.   |
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| Mary Almanza    | Substitute teacher for 28 years. There are a lot of complaints from the students that the cafeteria is too small. The students are now getting wet when walking form the CTE building to the main building. Love to work at the CTE center and my main concern is signing in at the main building. Her transportation and traffic does not allow her to easily get between the buildings when after signing in at the main campus. We get lost in the new high school with the numbering system. There should be a senior pass to athletic events. |
| Angelica Olvera | I hope that when you hire the superintendent you focus on our staff and let them do their job. You should let your tax payers join in on the decision making process.  |
| Lisa Olivares   | As tax payers we are having to spend money on seeking a new superintendent when the money should be used for our kids. The kids had a fire drill and from the third floor needs to go through the second floor and then first floor to get out safely. There are too many kids making the stairwell crowded and very hot.  |
| Becky Salazar   | Came to say that we have a superintendent. Give her the chance to do the job. Use the money for the kids and campus needs. The paring at the high school – has two cars and should not have to pay for parking on two vehicles. You picked her so why waste the money on searching for a new superintendent.   |
| Belinda Zepeda  | Speaking for South San AFT. Obviously we have the same concerns. We have been in an administrative turmoil for the past few years. The students and teachers are suffering. We need stability. AFT urges you not to move forward with the search and to keep Mrs. Hodge in her position. The results from previously superintendents have been lackluster. Recognize the value of hiring from within. Delay the decision for at least a year. Early dismissal days are urged for teacher development.  |

### **DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION**

1. Discussion and possible action to accept a donation in the amount of \$1000.00 from Wal-mart/Sam's in compliance with board policy CDC (Local).

Ms. Reyes was called upon to present and answer questions related to this item.

Upon motion by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Mata, the Board of Trustees moved to accept a donation in the amount of \$1000.00 from Wal-mart/Sam's in compliance with board policy CDC (Local). 7/0 Motion carried.

### 2. Discussion and possible action to accept a donation in the amount of \$250.00 from Bexar County Republican Party in compliance with board policy CDC (Local).

Mr. Bunsen was called upon to present and answer questions related to this item.

Upon motion by Ms. Madla, seconded by Mr. Mata, the Board of Trustees moved to accept a donation in the amount of \$1000.00 from Wal-mart/Sam's in compliance with board policy CDC (Local). 7/0 Motion carried.

#### CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

Closed/Executive Session began at 6:53 p.m. Returned to Open Session at 7:17 p.m.

NOTICE: The Board of Trustees may elect to go into Closed Meeting any time during the meeting to discuss matters listed on the Agenda when authorized by the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. In the event the Board of Trustees elects to go into Closed Meeting regarding an Agenda Item, the Board of Trustees will hold a Closed Meeting to discuss individual personnel matters including termination, litigation and other matters the Board deems necessary. Upon completion of Closed Meeting, the Board of Trustees may, in the open session, take such action as appropriate on items discussed in a Closed Meeting. If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item listed on the agenda should be held in Closed Meeting, the Board will convene in such Closed Meeting in accordance with Texas Government Code Sections 551.001 - 551.088. The Board members may take action in the open portion of the meeting on items discussed in the Closed Meeting but no action will be taken in closed session. The Board will consider and discuss, the following items:

Closed Meeting pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code §§ 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, and 551.0821.

## 1. <u>Discussion regarding professional resignations, retirements and employment of new personnel. (Tex. Gov't Code §§ 551.071 and 551.074</u>)

Upon motion by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Longoria, the Board of Trustees moved to accept the recommendations of the Interim Superintendent regarding professional resignations, retirements and employment of new personnel as discussed in closed session. 7/0 Motion carried.

2. <u>Discussion regarding auxiliary resignations, retirements and employment of new personnel. (Tex. Gov't Code §§ 551.071 and 551.074)</u>

Upon motion by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Mata, the Board of Trustees moved to accept the recommendations of the Interim Superintendent regarding auxiliary resignations, retirements and employment of new personnel as discussed in closed session. 7/0 Motion carried.

# 3. <u>Discussion regarding terminations, promotions, reclassifications, assignments and reassignments of district personnel as recommended by the Superintendent. (Tex. Gov't Code §§ 551.071 and 551.074)</u>

Upon motion by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Longoria, the Board of Trustees moved to accept the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to promote Angelica Artiaga from the position of teacher to the position of Librarian as discussed in closed session. 7/0 Motion carried.

Upon motion by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Longoria, the Board of Trustees moved to accept the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to promote Sandra Hernandez from the position of Clerk I to the position of Clerk II as discussed in closed session. 7/0 Motion carried.

The Board will return to open session and take appropriate action, if any, on items discussed in closed session. No Action will be taken in closed session. Further, Board Members are reminded that all items discussed in closed session must remain confidential so as to avoid liability to the district.

#### DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

### 1. Discussion and possible action to initiate the process to hire a search firm to begin a Superintendent Search.

Ms. Prado and Ms. Ponce were called upon to present and answer questions regarding this item

Upon motion by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Mata, the Board of Trustees moved to deny the initiation of the process to hire a search firm to begin a Superintendent Search. 5/2 Motion carried.

| Roll Call Vote:   | Yes | No |
|-------------------|-----|----|
| Mr. Trinidad Mata | X   |    |
| Ms. Connie Prado  |     | X  |
| Ms. Julie Ponce   |     | X  |

| Mr. JoeJo Savage        | X |  |
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| Mr. Carlos Longoria     | X |  |
| Ms. Rose Marie Martinez | X |  |
| Ms. Helen Madla         | X |  |

### 2. <u>Discussion and possible action to approve the memorandum of understanding between</u> South San Antonio Independent School District and Bexar County Juvenile Board.

Mr. Rodriguez was called upon to present and answer questions regarding this item.

Upon motion by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Mata, the Board of Trustees moved to approve the memorandum of understanding between South San Antonio Independent School District and Bexar County Juvenile Board. 7/0 Motion carried.

# 3. <u>Discussion and possible action to approve the memorandum of understanding for the College Connection Program between South San Antonio Independent School District and Alamo Community College District.</u>

Ms. Moore was called upon to present and answer questions regarding this item.

Upon motion by Mr. Prado, seconded by Mr. Mata, the Board of Trustees moved to approve the memorandum of understanding for the College Connection Program between South San Antonio Independent School District and Alamo Community College District. 7/0 Motion carried.

### 4. <u>Discussion and possible action to approve the letter of agreement between South San</u> Antonio Independent School District and Family Service Association of San Antonio.

Dr. Sandoval was called upon to present and answer questions regarding this item.

Upon motion by Ms. Madla, seconded by Mr. Mata, the Board of Trustees moved to approve the letter of agreement between South San Antonio Independent School District and Family Service Association of San Antonio subject to final approval of the terms by the District's legal counsel. 7/0 Motion carried.

### 5. Discussion and possible action to amend the 2013 - 2014 school calendar.

Item pulled.

## 6. <u>Discussion and possible action to approve the renewal of Wireless Generation/mClass:</u> TPRI & Tejas Lee Software Annual Student Subscription in the amount of \$53,325.00

#### for the 2013 - 2014 school year.

Ms. De Leon was called upon to present and answer questions regarding this item.

Upon motion by Mr. Savage, seconded by Ms. Prado, the Board of Trustees moved to approve the renewal of Wireless Generation/mClass: TPRI & Tejas Lee Software Annual Student Subscription for the purpose of data analysis student reading. 7/0 Motion carried.

### 7. Discussion and possible action to approve the South San Antonio Independent School District Ouarterly Portfolio Statistics Report as of August 31, 2013.

Mr. Landeros was called upon to present and answer questions regarding this item.

Upon motion by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Mata, the Board of Trustees moved to approve the South San Antonio Independent School District Quarterly Portfolio Statistics Report as of August 31, 2013. 7/0 Motion carried.

# 8. Discussion and possible action to approve the Investment Activities required by the Public Funds Investment Act, specifically: (a) Approval of Training Providers and (b) Approval of Banker/Dealer List.

Mr. Landeros was called upon to present and answer questions regarding this item.

Upon motion by Mr. Savage, seconded by Ms. Madla, the Board of Trustees moved to approve the Investment Activities required by the Public Funds Investment Act, specifically: (a) Approval of Training Providers and (b) Approval of Banker/Dealer List. 7/0 Motion carried.

# 9. <u>Discussion and possible action to approve the Annual Review Resolution of the South San Antonio Independent School District's Investment Policy and Investment Strategies.</u>

Mr. Landeros was called upon to present and answer questions regarding this item.

Upon motion by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Mata, the Board of Trustees moved to approve the Annual Review Resolution of the South San Antonio Independent School District's Investment Policy and Investment Strategies. 7/0 Motion carried.

## 10. Discussion and possible action to approve the Resolution amending the appointment of authorized investment officers for South San Antonio Independent School District.

Mr. Landeros was called upon to present and answer questions regarding this item.

Upon motion by Ms. Prado, seconded by Mr. Mata, the Board of Trustees moved to approve the Resolution amending the appointment of authorized investment officers for South San Antonio Independent School District as presented by staff. 7/0 Motion carried.

### 11. <u>Discussion and possible action to approve minutes for Regular Called and Special Called Board Meetings:</u>

- A. May 8, 2013 Special Called Board Meeting
- B. July 10, 2013 Special Called Board Meeting
- C. July 29, 2013 Special Called Board Meeting
- D. August 19, 2013 Regular Called Board Meeting
- E. August 21, 2013 Regular Called Board Meeting
- F. September 5, 2013 Special Called Board Meeting

Mrs. Hodge was called upon to present and answer questions regarding this item.

Upon motion Ms. Madla, seconded by Mr. Savage, the Board of Trustees, moved to approve minutes for Regular Called and Special Called Board Meetings. 7/0 Motion carried.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Mr. Mata, seconded by Ms. Savage, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

ATTEST

Rose Mario-Martinez President

JoeJo Savage-Secretary