

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, November 20, 2013, beginning at 6:00 PM in the ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call					
Member	In Attendance	Absent	Late Arrival		
Mr. Trinidad Mata	X				
Ms. Connie Prado	X				
Mr. JoeJo Savage		X			
Ms. Julie Ponce	X				
Mr. Carlos Longoria	X				
Ms. Rose Marie Martinez	X				
Ms. Helen Madla	X				

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Mr. Trinidad Mata

Upon motion by Ms. Madla second by Mr. Mata to move Discussion/Possible action items 1-11 to be moved before Close/Executive Session. 6/0 Motion Carried

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Discussion and possible action to accept a donation in the amount of \$1500.00 for Hutchins and Palo Alto Elementary Schools from H.E.B. in compliance with board policy CDC (Local).

Upon motion by Mr. Mata, seconded by Mr. Longoria, the Board of Trustees moved to accept a donation in the amount of \$1500.00 for Hutchins and Palo Alto Elementary Schools from H.E.B. in compliance with board policy CDC (Local).6/0 Motion Carried.

2. <u>Discussion and possible action to accept a donation in the amount of \$700.00 for Five Palms Elementary School from an anonymous donor from the Texas Federation of Republican Women Convention 2012</u> in compliance with board policy CDC (Local).

Upon motion by Mr. Mata, seconded by Ms. Ponce, the Board of Trustees moved to accept a donation in the amount of \$700.00 for Five Palms Elementary School from an anonymous donor from the Texas Federation of Republican Women Convention 2012 in compliance with board policy CDC (Local). 6/0 Motion Carried

3. <u>Discussion and possible action to accept a donation in the amount of \$495.92 for Five Palms Elementary from McDonald's Restaurant General Manager, Frank Valenzuela and Community Relations & Marketing Assistant, Amy Dunagan in compliance with board policy CDC (Local).</u>

Upon motion by Mr. Mata, seconded by Mr. Longoria, the Board of Trustees moved to accept a donation in the amount of \$495.92 for Five Palms Elementary from McDonald's Restaurant General Manager, Frank Valenzuela and Community Relations & Marketing Assistant, Amy Dunagan in compliance with board policy CDC (Local). 6/0 Motion Carried

4. Discussion and possible action to accept a donation in the amount of \$300.00 for Five Palms
Elementary Special Education students from the Texas Federation of Republican Women
2013 Convention PAC, on behalf of Susana Martinez, Governor of New Mexico in
compliance with board policy CDC (Local).

Upon motion by Mr. Mata, seconded by Ms. Ponce, the Board of Trustees moved to accept a donation in the amount of \$300.00 for Five Palms Elementary Special Education students from the Texas Federation of Republican Women 2013 Convention PAC, on behalf of Susana Martinez, Governor of New Mexico in compliance with board policy CDC (Local). 6/0 Motion Carried

5. Discussion and possible action to accept a donation in the amount of \$2,000.00 for Five Palms Elementary Robotics Team from Young RED.org., on behalf of Paola Rios in compliance with board policy CDC (Local).

Upon motion by Mr. Mata, seconded by Mr. Longoria, the Board of Trustees moved to accept a donation in the amount of \$2,000.00 for Five Palms Elementary Robotics Team from Young RED.org., on behalf of Paola Rios in compliance with board policy CDC (Local). 6/0 Motion Carried

6. Discussion and possible action to accept a pledge of \$100,000 from the MOST program to support our students at South San Antonio High School in compliance with board policy CDC (Local).

Upon motion by Mr. Mata, seconded by Ms. Ponce, the Board of Trustees moved to accept a pledge of \$100,000 from the MOST program to support our students at South San Antonio High School in compliance with board policy CDC (Local). 6/0 Motion Carried

RECOGNITION

1. Recognition of South San Antonio High School Marching Band for receiving First Division at the UIL Marching Contest.

Mr. Alex Sanchez was called upon to recognize South San High School Marching Band.

2. Recognition of South San Antonio High School Mariachi Group for receiving Second Place at the Mariachi Corazon Competition.

Mr. Alex Sanchez was called upon to recognize South San High Mariachi Group.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Angelita Olvera	Members of the Board, Superintendent my name is Angelita Olvera, I'm a taxpayer, a parent and a grandmother, I was here at your last meeting when you approve security for all elementary, now I see that the item is on the agenda again it appears that someone doesn't want security for our children. I also read the news paper article and it seems they don't want security for our children. Maybe the person who wrote the article does not have children in our elementary schools. Maybe there are person or persons from our administration that don't have children in our elementary schools. The parents that I have talked to are very excited about our children being safe at our schools. The agenda is an item in executive session I don't know why, at the last meeting it was not. If there are problems we want to hear what the problems are, please bring this conversation out here for the public to hear. We'll be waiting, thank you.
Belinda Zepeda	Good evening Ms. Madla, Board Members, Ms. Hodge, I am Belinda Zepeda president of AFT, now south san AFT would like to present you with a copy of Moody's Investor Service report of the effective charters schools on the school districts. While we already know that research is showing that charters schools provide an in adequate education, charters school effect the financial stability in school districts and south san is a very vulnerable financially. Each time a charter school takes a student from South San \$5000 plus leaves the district without a comparable decrease in expenses. If you go in front of Shepard Middle School early in the morning, it is a bus stop for KIPP Charter Schools and you can see about five students leaving about 5:58am in the morning and another five students leaving around 7:24am. That means about \$50,000 dollars is leaves South San for KIPP and again there is no comparable decrease in expenses and this is just one charter school soon there will dozens, such as Great Hearts, Faces and Idea all cooperate charters out to make a profit with a track record of not delivering a quality education. As our goals for our political leaders is to have 80,000 students in charter schools that trickle of 10 students will soon be a flood if South San does not act. The first step should be to have a tax reauthorization

	of elections next spring to garner the money necessary to address this threat to the district. As while as to protect our students from false promises of charter schools. At the same time south san needs the money to keep the attract the best teachers and support personal as while to provide all the programs that our students need. South San AFT would like to meet with each of you that we may go over our concerns with you and provide any assistance we can, it would be ashame on all of us if we don't act and the district is cut back on campus at a time and if it's alright with you I do have the Moody summary right here.
Stacey Estrada	Madam President, Members of the Board, Superintendent Hodge, today I just want to stand here and say thank you we made an outstanding interview with the news with our subject on getting security at all our elementary, I think it's a great idea having my child in an elementary school here in the district I think that we need that security. It's a plus as we all know South San has had a hard few months, we've had a couple of loses and to see something positive in the news about our district is great and hope that the ball keeps rolling that way and I like to thank you and hope that this passes. Thank You.

ORAL / WRITTEN REPORTS

1. Presentation by Administration regarding status of High School Auditorium, Palo Alto Library and Palo Alto 4th grade wing heating and air conditioning systems.

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

2. Presentation by Administration regarding South San Antonio ISD police department
"Little Paws Holiday Toy Drive."

Chief Tovar was called upon to present and answer questions related to this item.

3. Presentation by Administration regarding Financial Management Review Report of August 2013 performed by the Texas Association of School Business Officials (TASBO).

Ms. Rebecca Estrada from TASBO was called upon to present and answer questions related to this item.

4. Presentation by Athletic Director regarding the Middle School Weight Training Program.

Mr. Robert Zamora Jr. was called upon to present and answer questions related to this item.

5. Presentation by Administration regarding the current status of the Academy of Health Sciences Program: enrollment, curriculum and student certification upon graduation.

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

<u>6.</u> <u>Presentation by Administration regarding the current status of the Culinary Arts Program: enrollment, curriculum and student certification upon graduation.</u>

Mr. Charles Ervin or Robert Yoas was called upon to present and answer questions related to this item.

7. Presentation by Administration regarding the current status of the Agricultural Arts Program: enrollment, curriculum and student certification upon graduation.

Mr. Charles Ervin or Shannon Malesky was called upon to present and answer questions related to this item.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. <u>Discussion and possible action to amend the 2013-2014 official budget in order to purchase a police vehicle as part of the Pilot Security Plan.</u>

Chief Tavor was called upon to present and answer questions regarding this item.

Item Tabled.

2. <u>Discussion and possible action to approve RFP14-4 Auxiliary Personal Uniforms for departments to include Maintenance, Custodial, Child Nutrition, Transportation, Textbook/records and Warehouse staff.</u>

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

Upon motion by Ms. Ponce, seconded by Mr. Longoria, the Board of Trustees moved to approve RFP14-4 Auxiliary Personal Uniforms for departments to include Maintenance, Custodial, Child Nutrition, Transportation, Textbook/records and Warehouse staff. 6/0 Motion Carried.

3. Discussion and possible action to approve purchase of Child Nutrition Employee Footwear.

Ms Jenny Arredondo and Mr. Andy Rocha was called upon to present and answer questions regarding this item.

Upon motion by Ponce, seconded by Mr. Longoria, the Board of Trustees moved to approve purchase of Child Nutrition Employee Footwear. 6/0 Motion Carried.

4. Discussion and possible action to approve the affiliation agreement between South San Antonio Independent School District and Pleasanton Animal Hospital.

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

Upon motion by Mr. Mata, seconded by Mr. Longoria, the Board of Trustees moved to approve

the affiliation agreement between South San Antonio Independent School District and Pleasanton Animal Hospital. 6/0 Motion Carried.

5. Discussion and possible action to approve a contract amendment with Special Education Bilingual Therapies.

Ms. Melba Urdiales 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 a contract amendment with Special Education Bilingual Therapies. 6/0 Motion Carried.

6. <u>Discussion and possible action to approve purchases for furniture at the new ROTC</u> Building at South San High School from Indeco Sales.

Mr. Andy Rocha 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 purchases for furniture at the new ROTC Building at South San High School from Indeco Sales. 6/0 Motion Carried.

7. <u>Discussion and possible action to approve the Buyback of Personal Leave days for FY 2013-2014.</u>

Mr. David 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 Buyback of Personal Leave days for FY 2013-2014. 6/0 Motion Carried.

8. Discussion and possible action to approve an amendment to the 2013-2014 Official Budget for Supplemental Prekindergarten funding.

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

Upon motion by Mr. Mata, seconded by Ms. Prado, the Board of Trustees moved to approve an amendment to the 2013-2014 Official Budget for Supplemental Prekindergarten funding. 6/0 Motion Carried.

9. Discussion and possible action to approve the Annual Portfolio Statistics Report for the period of September 2012 to August 2013.

Mr. David 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 Annual Portfolio Statistics Report for the period of September 2012 to August 2013. 6/0 Motion Carried.

10. Discussion and possible action to change the date of the January 15, 2014 Board Meeting to January 22, 2014.

Upon motion by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Mata, the Board of Trustees moved to approve to change the date of the January 15, 2014 Board Meeting to January 22, 2014. 6/0 Motion Carried.

11. Discussion and possible action to approve minutes for Regular Called and Special Called Board Meetings:

- A. October 16, 2013 Regular Called Board Meeting
- B. October 29, 2013 Special Called Board Meeting

Upon motion by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Ms. Ponce, the Board of Trustees moved to approve minutes for Special Called Board Meeting on October 29, 2013. 6/0 Motion Carried.

CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

Closed/Executive Session began at 8:59 p.m. Returned to Open Session at 10:37p.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</u>, retirements and employment of new personnel. (Tex. Gov't Code §§ 551.071 and 551.074)

Upon motion by Ms. Prado, seconded by Ms. Martinez, the Board of Trustees moved to approve the Superintendent's recommendations regarding professional resignations, retirements and employment of new personnel as discussed in closed session. 6/0 Motion Carried.

2. Discussion regarding auxiliary resignations, retirements and employment of new personnel.

(Tex. Gov't Code §§ 551.071 and 551.074)

Upon motion by Ms. Prado, seconded by Mr. Longoria, the Board of Trustees moved to approve the Superintendent's recommendations regarding auxiliary resignations, retirements and employment of new personnel as discussed in closed session. 5/0 Motion Carried.

	Yes	No	Abstained
Mr. Trinidad T. Mata			X
Ms. Connie Prado	X		
Mr. JoeJo Savage			
Ms. Julie Ponce	X		
Mr. Carlos Longoria	X		
Ms. Rose Marie Martinez	X		
Ms. Helen Madla	X		

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>

No Action Required

4. <u>Discussion regarding the appointment of an Executive Director of Curriculum and Instruction. (Tex. Gov't Code §§ 551.071 and 551.074)</u>

The item died for lack of a motion.

5. <u>Discussion regarding the appointment of a Director of Student Support Services. (Tex. Gov't Code §§ 551.071 and 551.074).</u>

Upon motion by Ms. Prado, seconded by Mr. Mata, the Board of Trustees moved to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and appoint Ms. Linda Ziegler as Director of Student Support Services as discussed in closed session. 6/0 Motion Carried.

6. Consultation with attorney and discussion of recommendation for decision in Docket
Number 031-R10-02-2013, Joseph Williamson v. South San Antonio Independent School
District, before the Texas Commissioner of Education. (Tex. Gov't Code §§ 551.071 and
551.074)

Upon motion by Ms. Longoria, seconded by Mr. Mata, the Board of Trustees moved to propose the, recommendation for decision in Docket Number 031-R10-02-2013, Joseph Williamson v. South San Antonio Independent School District, before the Texas Commissioner of Education as discussed in closed session. 6/0 Motion Carried.

7. Consultation with attorney regarding allowable right of access to personally identifiable student information by the Board of Trustees pursuant to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). (Tex. Gov't Code §§ 551.071 and 551.0821).

No Motion

8. Discussion and possible action regarding implementation issues related to the District's Pilot Security Plan. (Tex. Gov't Code §§ 551.071 and 551.076).

Upon motion by Ms. Prado, seconded by Mr. Longoria, the Board of Trustees moved that the board reaffirm its support of the district pilot security plan and direct the superintendent to implement the plan no later than January 13, 2013. (Tex. Gov't Code §§ 551.071 and 551.076). 6/0 Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Mata, seconded by Mr. Longoria, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:51p.m.

ATTEST

Helen Madla - President

Connie Prado - Secretary