

South San Antonio Independent School District
Administration Building
5622 Ray Ellison Boulevard
San Antonio, Texas 78242
6:00 p.m.

To: Board Members Addressed

RE: Minutes of Special Called Board Meeting for Monday April 4, 2011

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Connie Prado –President
Karyn Tomlinson – Vice-President
Rose Marie Martinez - Secretary
Homer S. Flores – Trustee
Helen Madla - Trustee
Trinidad T. Mata – Trustee
Julie Ponce-Trustee

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT:

Pablo Escamilla, Attorney
Doug Poneck, Attorney
Jennifer Hall, Attorney
Linda M. Zeigler, Interim Superintendent
David Ochoa, Assistant to the Superintendent
David Landeros, Executive Director, for Business & Fiscal Services
Robert L. Flores, Executive Director for Secondary Curriculum and Instruction
Evelyn Trinidad, Executive Director for Elementary Curriculum and Instruction
Gloria Martinez, Administrator for Human Resources
Robert Gardner, Administrator for Human Resources
Dr. Luisa Sandoval, Director of State and Federal Programs
Elise Puente, Director of Student Assessment
Dr. Cynthia Stone, Director for School Improvement
Lisa Baker, Director for Budget & Fiscal Services
Pete Barcenez, Director of Technology
Andy Rocha, Director of Purchasing
Jenny Arredondo, Director for Child Nutrition Services
Luis Dueno, Director for Plant Operations
Amador Garza, Bond Consultant
Robert Garcia, Police Chief
Guadalupe Cruz, Police Department

The Board of Trustees went into Closed Executive Session at 6:03p.m.
The Board of Trustees reconvened to Open Session at 7:26 p.m. to take such action as appropriate on items discussed in an Executive Session.

CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

NOTICE: *The Board of Trustees may elect to go into an Executive Session 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 Executive Session regarding an Agenda Item, the Board of Trustees will hold an Executive Session to discuss individual personnel matters including termination, litigation and other matters the Board deems necessary. Upon completion of the Executive Session, the Board of Trustees may, in the open session, take such action as appropriate on items discussed in an Executive Session. 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. The Board will consider, discuss, and take appropriate action regarding the following items:*

1. Executive session pursuant to the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code § 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.082, and 551.0821.
 - a. Consultation with attorney and discussion regarding possible personnel action related to Superintendent Durbon including, but not limited to, administrative leave with pay pending an investigation into Superintendent Durbon's conduct. (Texas Gov't code §551.071 and 551.074)

Upon motion by Mrs. Tomlinson, seconded by Mrs. Martinez the Board of Trustees voted to:

- a. **Place Mr. Ronald Durbon, Superintendent of Schools on administrative leave with pay pending an investigation into allegations regarding his conduct.**
- b. **Direct Mr. Durbon to comply with all the provisions in his notice of administrative leave with pay letter.**
- c. **Direct Legal Counsel to lead and commence an investigation into Mr. Durbon's conduct immediately and coordinate the investigation with the Interim Superintendent all as discussed in closed session.**

Motion Passes 4-3 (Tomlinson-Yes Martinez-Yes Flores-No Ponce-Yes Mata-No Madla-No Prado-Yes)

- b. Discuss and consider the appointment of an interim Superintendent.
(Texas Gov't Code §551.071 and 551.074)

Upon motion by Mrs. Martinez, seconded by Mrs. Tomlinson the Board of Trustees voted to appoint Linda Zeigler to perform the duties of Superintendent of Schools for the South San Independent School District until such time as the Board of Trustees revoke said appointment further I move that:

- 1. Serve as Interim Superintendent of the District and represent the district in the community at all district and civil functions and events in executing any and all legal duties and full filling the duties of the Superintendent as set forth by state law, board policy and job description.**
- 2. Cooperate with the Board of Trustees and the Board President in educating the business of the district to include but not limited to creating and posting agendas for regular and special called board meetings and creating and improving a budget for the 2010-2011 school year.**
- 3. In cooperation with the district's legal counsel convene an investigation into Mr. Ronald Durbon's conduct and involvement in aiding to but not limited to the situation involving Athletic Director Gary Durbon and allegations that Gary Durbon accessed an inappropriate web site using his district computer and the district officials including Superintendent Ronald Durbon failed to investigate or covered up the allegations.**
- 4. Secure all evidence of any kind that is relevant to the investigation including but not limited to physical documents, computers, electronic equipment, etc.**
- 5. Direct all staff that is or may be involved in any investigation or potential investigation to maintain any and all documents, physical evidence or electronic evidence that is or may be relevant to the investigation.**
- 6. Direct all staff that is or may be involved in any investigation or potential investigation to cooperate fully and honestly in the investigation all as discussed in closed session.**

***Motion Passes 4-3 (Tomlinson-Yes Martinez-Yes Flores-No Ponce-Yes
Mata-No Madla-No Prado-Yes)***

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mrs. Martinez seconded by Mr. Mata, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to adjourn meeting at 7:34 p.m. *Motion Passes.*

ATTEST

Connie Prado, President

Rose Marie Martinez, Secretary