

Donna Independent School District
Regular Board Meeting - Minutes
Tuesday, June 11, 2024 - 6:00 PM

The Board of Trustees met in the Staff Development Center/Board Room located at the Donna ISD Administration Building at 904 Hester Avenue, Donna, Texas 78537 to deliberate the matters noted below.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Board President Fernando Castillo called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

The following Board Members were in attendance:

- *Fernando Castillo, President*
- *Jose Rogelio Reyna, Vice-President*
- *Ida M. Garcia, Secretary*
- *Eloy Avila, Trustee*
- *Jose L. Valdez, Trustee*
- *Dr. Maricela Valdez, Trustee*
- *Eva Castillo Watts, Trustee*

The following Administrators/Individuals were also in attendance:

- *Dr. Angela Dominguez, Superintendent*
- *Alfonso Perez, Jr. Assistant Superintendent for Business and Finance*
- *Tony Torres, School Attorney*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE

II. OPEN FORUM

No one signed up to speak during the Open Forum.

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. District Highlights

Dr. Angela Dominguez, Superintendent presented the following:

- *Highlighted that our School Board was a State Finalist. Rivas Primary Discovery Academy was the number 1 Early Childhood Learning Center in the State of Texas*
- *Donna ISD Board of Trustees are the Region One Outstanding School Board of the Year.*
- *Operational Excellence & Financial Stewardship*

- *Bond 2023 Update (Detailed updates are being shared on the Donna ISD Website as well as projects that have been completed with other funds.) Expenses and timeline, projects that are taking place by school.*

B. Texas State - Texas School Safety Center Intruder Audit Reports.

Dr. Angela Dominguez, Superintendent reminded us that Intruder Detection Audits have been ongoing throughout the year. Safety Committee meets regularly to discuss the findings of the intruder detection audits. Because of security and safety, this will be discussed in Executive Session.

C. Discussion and possible action to Nominate a Trustee for Region 1, Position A on the TASB Board

No action.

IV. PRESENTATIONS

A. Recognition of 2023-2024 Texas Boys State Delegates representing Donna High School and Donna North High School.

Boys were not present at the meeting because they are in session in Austin. Ten students from both High Schools are participating this year. This is the most that Donna ISD has had participate.

B. LSG Progress and Accountability Presentation Goal 3: GPM 3.1 AND 3.2.

Dr. Angela Dominguez, Superintendent, Mr. Javier Villanueva, Executive Director for Data Evaluation and Performance Outcomes, and Mr. Juan Leal, CTE Director presented on the following:

- *Reviewed LSG Board Goal 3*
- *Reviewed relevant data*
- *Reviewed reinforcements and refinements*
 - *Strategic approach to TSI happened earlier. TSI benchmark took place in 8th and 9th grades this year in May.*
 - *TSI Tutorials and Camps were held throughout the year*
 - *Benchmarks*
 - *Tutoring was targeted*
- *Reinforcements*
 - *Strong CTE Program*
 - *Work Based Learning Opportunities*
 - *Career & Technical Student Organization (CTSO)*
 - *Tracking CTE Student Data*
 - *CTE Advisory Committee*

- *Professional Development for Teachers both Internal & External*
- *Program Evaluations*

Motion to accept at the model level was made by Eloy Avila and seconded by Dr. Maricela Valdez. Ida M. Garcia, Jose R. Reyna, Jose L. Valdez, Eva Castillo Watts and Fernando Castillo voted in favor. Motion carried.

V. **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Ida M. Garcia, and seconded by Eva Castillo Watts. Eloy Avila, Jose R. Reyna, Jose L. Valdez, Dr. Maricela Valdez and Fernando Castillo voted in favor. Motion carried.

A. **BUSINESS AND FINANCE**

- a. Approve Accounts Payable.
- b. Approve Financial Statements for April 2024.
- c. Approve Budget Amendments.
- d. Approve Report of Monthly Tax Collections for April 2024.
- e. Approval to declare DISD Child Nutrition Program Surplus to be taken to auction.
- f. Request for Approval of Agreement with D. Wilson Construction for Renovations and Additions for Donna High School, Todd and AP Solis Middle Schools
- g. Approval to award, as recommended by Administration, RFP#051524-796 Fencing and Installation.
- h. Approval to award, as recommended by Administration, RFP#051524-797 Door Components.
- i. Approval to award vendor, as recommended by Administration, for Request for Proposals (RFP) 052324-803 Termite Treatment Services & Other IPM needs District-Wide.
Donna ISD has published a bid for Termite Treatment Services to help assist the district's IPM (Integrates Pest Management).
- j. Approval for continuation to purchase AC Units from E3 Entegral Solutions, Inc. for the amount of \$400,000.00
Donna ISD needs to purchase AC Units for the Migrant Building Administration, Todd Middle School, Donna High School, and Veterans Middle School.
- k. Approval for Construction at Adame Elementary School Traffic Improvement work not to exceed \$250,000.00 via CSP# 052924-387

B. **ACADEMIC SERVICES**

- a. Approve the Frontline Education Program Management System for Donna I.S.D. Student Support Programs including Section 504, MTSS,

Bilingual/ESL, Special Education and SIS integration services for the 2024-2025 school year.

- b. Approval of service contract between Seidlitz Education and Donna ISD for teacher coaching at Munoz Elementary and Veterans Middle School for the 2024-2025 school year.
- c. Approval for Purchase of 75 Dell Laptop Computers that will be utilized by the McKinney Vento students on a checkout basis.
- d. Approval to submit a Low Attendance Waiver to TEA for the dates of January 17, 2024 and April 8, 2024.

C. HUMAN RESOURCES

- a. Approval of Teacher Waiver Application submittal to Texas Education Agency.
- b. Approval to Policy Manual Update 123 for Donna I.S.D.

D. SUPPORT SERVICES

- a. Approve minutes for Regular Board Meeting, May 14, 2024.
- b. Approve the 2023-2024 SHAC Committee Annual Report.
- c. Approve the 2024-2025 SHAC district-wide Elementary Recess Policy.
- d. Approve the 2024-2025 SHAC goal recommendations.
- e. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Community in Schools of Hidalgo County, Inc. (CISH) which will remain in effect from August 1, 2024, to June 30, 2027 (3 year agreement).
- f. Approve the purchase of Pathways, a graduation tracking tool.
- g. Approve the Agreement Agency Affiliation Agreement with Lamar University and with the Master Clinical Program.
- h. Approve the Agreement Agency Affiliation Agreement with Texas A&M Kingsville Social Work Program BSM/MSW. This agreement shall remain in effect for one year from August 1, 2024, and automatically renew for additional one year terms not to exceed a total contract term of five years.
- i. Approve the Memorandum of Agreement with McAllen Hospital Group, PLLC. DBA South Texas Health Systems Clinics, which will remain in effect from August 1, 2024, through July 31, 2025.
- j. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Behavioral Health Solutions (BHSST), Youth Prevention programs which will remain in effect from September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2025, and reviewed annually.
- k. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Behavioral Health Solutions (BHSST), Valley Salud program which will remain in effect from September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2025, and reviewed annually.
- l. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Behavioral Health Solutions (BHSST). Monarch program which will remain in effect from September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2025, and reviewed annually.
- m. Approve the Memorandum of Agreement with Tropical Texas Behavioral Health (TTBH) Understanding which will remain in effect from September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2025, and will automatically renew for one

additional year ending August 31, 2026, unless terminated pursuant to contractual terms.

- n. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Buckner Children and Family Services, Inc. - Family and Youth Services Program (FAYS) which will remain in effect from September 1, 2024, to August 31, 2025, unless otherwise terminated by either party.
- o. Approve the Amendment and Extension to the Clinical Service Agreement with The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, which will automatically renew for successive one-year terms subject to termination by the parties.
- p. Approve the Contractor Agreement with Mesquite Treatment Center which will remain in effect from August 12, 2024, to May 30, 2025, unless otherwise terminated by either party.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION as Authorized by Texas Government

Code Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.075, 551.076, 551.082, 551.083 and 551.084.

The Board of Trustees went into Executive Session at 6:45 pm.

- A. Discussion and Consideration of the Superintendent's Recommendation of Personnel Matters
 - Recommendations for Professionals to Include Contract Renewal, Hiring, Adjustments, Termination, and Rescission Recommendation
 - Update of District Personnel
- B. Texas State - Texas School Safety Center Intruder Audit Reports.
- C. Discussion and Private Consultation with Attorney regarding Pending or Contemplated Litigation, Settlement Matters, and/or Matters Where the Professional Duty Under State Board Requires Private Consultation with School Attorney.

VII. OPEN SESSION - Take possible action on matters discussed in Executive Session.

The Board of Trustees reconvened into Open Session at 7:41 pm.

- A. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Superintendent's Recommendation of Personnel
 - Approve the Recommendation for Professionals to Include Contract Renewal, Hiring, Adjustments, Termination, and Rescission Recommendations

A motion to approve Superintendent's Recommendations as discussed in Executive Session was made by Ida M. Garcia, and seconded by Eloy Avila. Jose R. Reyna, Jose L. Valdez, Dr. Maricela Valdez, Eva Castillo Watts and Fernando Castillo voted in favor. Motion carried.

B. Discussion and possible action regarding pending or contemplated litigation

A motion to approve as discussed in Executive Session was made by Dr. Maricela Valdez, and seconded by Eva Castillo Watts. Eloy Avila, Ida M. Garcia, Jose R. Reyna, Jose L. Valdez, and Fernando Castillo voted in favor. Motion carried.

VIII. **ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn the Regular Board meeting was made by Eva Castillo Watts, and seconded by Dr. Maricela Valdez. Eloy Avila, Ida M. Garcia, Jose R. Reyna, Jose L. Valdez and Fernando Castillo voted in favor. Motion carried.

The Regular Board meeting was adjourned at 7:43 pm.



*Fernando Castillo, President
Board of Trustees
Donna ISD*



*Ida M. Garcia, Secretary
Board of Trustees
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Board Approved: July 16, 2024