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Minutes of Special Called Meeting

The Board of Directors South Texas ISD

A Special Called Meeting of the Board of Directors of South Texas ISD was held November 16, 2024, beginning at 9:30 AM in the Central Office Teaching and Learning Center, 7001 E. Expressway 83, Mercedes, Texas 78570.

1. Welcome.

Mr. Henry LeVrier, Board President, welcomed guests, staff and fellow Board members.

2. Board Meeting called to order.

The meeting was called to order by Henry LeVrier, Board President at approximately 9:30 a.m. at which time he was assured by Administration, that notices of the meeting were posted properly according to the laws of Texas and that a quorum of the Board was present.

The following board members were present:

David Briones	La Feria
Douglas E. Buchanan	Raymondville
Eduardo L. "Larry" Cantu	Los Fresnos
Adrian Garcia	Brownsville
Noel O. Garza, DDS	Mission
Sylvia Sánchez Garza, Ph.D.	Edinburg
Hector Gonzales	Lyford
Yolanda Kamel	McAllen
Henry LeVrier	Brownsville
Sylvia S. Lopez	Brownsville
Sandra Garza Ochoa, Ph.D.	Weslaco
Israel G. Quintanilla	Raymondville
Eduardo Roberto Rodriguez	Brownsville
Oscar Salinas	Edinburg
Rick Villarreal, DDS	Rancho Viejo

The following Board members were absent:

Abiel J. Cantú	Raymondville
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Sasha Crane	McAllen
Margarita Garcia	San Juan
Robert J. Lerma	Brownsville
Rodolfo “Rudy” Ramirez	Edinburg
Jaime R. Solis	Edinburg
David Torres	Edinburg
Ruth Villarreal	Mission

The following staff members were present:

Efrain Garza	Ramon Longoria
Marla Knaub	Carmen Noriega

3. Pledges of Allegiance & District Call to Action.

The pledges were led by Henry LeVrier.

4. Moment of Silence.

The Board held a moment of silence.

5. Public Comments for Agenda Topics.

The Board did not receive any requests to address the Board of Directors on any agenda topics.

6. Approval of Consent Agenda.

In order to promote efficient meetings, the Board may act upon more than one item by a single vote through the use of consent agenda. Consent items shall be items placed on the Agenda marked with an asterisk (*) for which no Board discussion is anticipated and for which the Superintendent recommends approval. Prior to the meeting, at the request of any member of the Board of Directors, any item on the consent agenda shall be removed and given individual consideration. Requests for individual consideration are made at least a half-hour prior to Board meetings and requests must be directed to either the Board President or the Superintendent.

A motion was made by E. Larry Cantu, seconded by Doug Buchanan, approving the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

7. *Action: Review and act on a revision to the 2024-2025 Semester Exam Schedule.

Approved with the consent agenda.

8. Report on Health Insurance options for 2025-2026 school year.

Marla Knaub provided a report on health insurance options for the 2025-2026 school year. No action was taken.

9. Action: Review and act on the Job Order Contract for Audio Video/Intercom System for Medical Professions.

A motion was made by E. Larry Cantu, seconded by Dr. Sandra Garza Ochoa, approving the base bid and alternate contract and authorize the Board President to sign the contract, and authorize Administration to proceed with the requisition for the Audio Video/Intercom System for Medical Professions. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Adjournment.

A motion was made by Doug Buchanan, seconded by Israel G. Quintanilla, adjourning the meeting at 10:15 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.