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Raul Yzaguirre Schools for Success

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"The mission of the Tejano Center for Community Concerns is to develop education, social, health, and community institutions that empower families to transform their lives."

PUBLIC NOTICE

Meeting Agenda for Tuesday, January 28, 2025

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of Tejano Center for Community Concerns, Inc., (Tejano Center) will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday January 28, 2025, at 5:30 pm. This meeting is open to the public, and community input is welcomed during the time designated for public comment. Members of the Board and public may attend the regular meeting via web conferencing at https://bit.ly/TejanoCenter-RYSS-BoardMeeting as allowed by Texas Government Code Â§ 551.127 with the principal location containing audio-visual equipment for use by the Board and public and where the presiding member is physically present, and the location is open to the public. If a member of the public can provide testimony or otherwise wishes to participate in the meeting when public input is permitted, but lacks the necessary technology, such will be provided at Tejano Center for Community Concerns, 2950 Broadway Street, Houston, TX 77017. The Board will consider, discuss, and adopt such orders, resolutions, and/or motions, and take direct or indirect actions as may be necessary, convenient, or desirable with respect to the matters outlined in this agenda.

January 28, 2025 at 5:30 PM - Board Meeting

1. **CALL TO ORDER** (2 minutes) 5:30pm (Quorum Met)
2. **PRAYER** (3 minutes)
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/TEXAS PLEDGE** (2 minutes)
4. **ROLL CALL** (3 minutes)

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived	Departed
David Corpus	Board Chair	Present	5:30 PM	
Anthony	Board Vice Chair	Absent		
Margaret Dunlap	Board Secretary	Present	5:30 PM	
Maria Gonzalez	Board Member	Present	5:30 PM	
Gina De Leon	Board Member	Present VIRTUAL	5:30 PM	
Marco Martinez	Board Member	Present VIRTUAL	5:30 PM	
Genesis Loera	Board Member	Present	5:34 PM	
Laura Mayorga	Board Member	Present	6:07 PM	

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT** (7-10 minutes) Any individual wishing to address the Board of Directors of Tejano Center for Community Concerns must sign in with Laura Aguirre, Board Services, by emailing a request to speak, at least 72-hours prior to scheduled meeting. The request must include the name of speaker, telephone, number and email address of the speaker, and the topic of the intended comments, to Laura.Aguirre@tejanocenter.org. Those doing so will be allowed to address the board for a maximum of three minutes. Individuals will address the board in the order that they have signed in. Alternatively, the individual may email comments to the above email address.

6. **PRESIDENT'S PRESENTATIONS & UPDATES**

6.a. **PRESENTATION ON RAUL YZAGUIRRE SCHOOLS FOR SUCCESS (RYSS) GOAL 3 PROGRESS MEASURES**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Justin Fuentes, M.Ed., Chief Schools Officer; Carla Stevens, RYSS Data & Accountability

Board Secretary Dunlap inquired about timing of the District's awareness of student performance/progress. Ms. Stevens confirmed that the District began addressing as soon as leadership received data.

6.b. **BRYSS EXPANSION PRESENTATION**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Antonio Zambrano, Chief Financial & Operations Officer; Dr. Rolando "Rudy" Trevino, Deputy Chief Growth Officer; Hector Vogliotti, Associate Director, Level Field; Rob Tate, Director, Level Field

Dr. Tamez stated (for the record) that Dr. Trevino was inadvertently listed as "Deputy Chief Growth Officer;" clarified that he is a consultant.

Board Treasurer Martinez asked if anyone from RYSS checks the work on the expansion. Dr. Tamez confirmed that RYSS leadership conducts a walk through before signing off on any decisions.

6.c. **PASADENA EXPANSION PRESENTATION**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Rolando "Rudy" Trevino, Deputy Chief Growth Officer

7. **ACTION ITEMS**

7.a. **APPROVAL OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT AND SINGLE AUDIT REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024, BY WHITLEY PENN LLC**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Antonio Zambrano, Chief Financial and Operations Officer

Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Gonzalez; MOTION PASSED.

Dr. Tamez presented an Action Plan that the Tejano Center/RYSS Business Office will execute to make sure future audits are handled timely.

7.b. **APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 2024 UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR RAUL YZAGUIRRE SCHOOLS FOR SUCCESS AND TEJANO CENTER FOR COMMUNITY CONCERNS- NON-SCHOOL**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Antonio Zambrano, Chief Financial and Operations Officer

Motion made by Loera; Seconded by Dunlap; MOTION PASSED.

7.c. **RATIFICATION OF MONTHLY DISBURSEMENT REPORT/VENDOR CUMULATIVE PAYMENTS FOR DECEMBER 2024 TO INCLUDE PROCUREMENT PROCESS AND EXPENDITURE APPROVALS**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Antonio Zambrano, Chief Financial and Operations Officer

Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Dunlap; MOTION PASSED.

7.d. **CONSIDER POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING NOBLE BUILDERS CONTRACT AND RELATED MATTERS**

Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Antonio Zambrano, Chief Financial and Operations Officer; Dr. Rudy Trevino, Deputy Growth Officer

Motion to amend made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Mayorga; MOTION PASSED AS AMENDED: Authorize the Superintendent and Chief Executive Officer to enter into contractual negotiations with Noble Builders regarding Phase II of the Brownsville (BRYSS) Project.
Abstained: Dunlap and De Leon

7.e. **APPROVAL OF THE REMAINING GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE SAVINGS AND THE OWNER CONTINGENCY FOR THE PASADENA (RYSS) PROJECT IN THE AMOUT OF $195,000**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Antonio Zambrano, Chief Financial and Operations Officer; Dr. Rudy Trevino, Deputy Growth Officer

Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Gonzalez; MOTION PASSED.

7.f. **APPROVAL OF THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) IN THE AMOUNT OF $2,000,000 AS PART OF HUD HEALTHY HOMES 2024 TO PROTECT FAMILIES FROM HOME HAZARDS, MORE SPECIFICALLY LED & MOLD**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graciana "Graci" Garces, MPAff, Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer; Gabriela "Gabby" Luna, Director, Housing & Community Redevelopment

Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Dunlap; MOTION PASSED.

7.g. **APPROVAL OF THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FROM HARRIS COUNTY HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – TREASURY ARPA SINGLE FAMILY REHABILITATION PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,250,000**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graciana "Graci" Garces, MPAff, Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer; Gabriela "Gabby" Luna, Director, Housing & Community Redevelopment

Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Dunlap; MOTION PASSED.

7.h. **APPROVAL OF THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FROM TEXAS STATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING CORPORATION- TEXAS FOUNDATIONS FUND: FY2025 DISASTER RECOVERY IN THE AMOUNT OF $30,000 FOR HURRICAN BERYL HOME REPAIR**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graciana "Graci" Garces, MPAff, Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer; Gabriela "Gabby" Luna, Director, Housing & Community Redevelopment

Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Loera; MOTION PASSED.

7.i. **APPROVAL OF REQUALIFICATION AND RE-ELECTION OF GINA DE LEON TO THE TEJANO CENTER FOR COMMUNITY CONCERNS BOARD OF DIRECTORS**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graciana "Graci" Garces, MPAff, Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer

Chairman Corpus shared that Board Member De Leon had submitted her resignation. Board Member De Leon expressed gratitude to the Board and Tejano Center for allowing her to serve. Chairman Corpus TABLED the item.

7.j. **APPROVAL OF REQUALIFICATION AND RE-ELECTION OF MARCO MARTINEZ TO THE TEJANO CENTER FOR COMMUNITY CONCERNS BOARD OF DIRECTORS**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graciana "Graci" Garces, MPAff, Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer

Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Dunlap; MOTION PASSED.

8. **INFORMATION ITEMS** Speakers provided brief overviews of their respective report.

8.a. **AFFORDABLE HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM REPORT**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Gabby Luna, Director of Affordable Housing and Community Redevelopment

8.b. **CHILD PLACING AGENCY PROGRAM REPORT**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Brenda Navarrette, Director, Child Placing Agency

8.c. **GRADCAFE BY PROJECT GRAD PROGRAM REPORT**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Melissa Martinez, Director, Project GRAD & NOVA Academy

8.d. **LA TIENDITA REPORT**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Jose Rivera, Director, Health Equity Program

8.e. **RESOLVE PROGRAM REPORT**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Jorge Gonzalez, Director, Resolve Program

8.f. **BOARD ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graciana “Graci” Garces, MPAff, Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer

8.g. **2025 LEADERSHIP & BOARD RETREAT PROPOSED DATES**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graciana "Graciana" Garces, MPAff, Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer

9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE §§ 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, AND 551.082, TO ADDRESS:**

a. Private consultation with attorney concerning privileged issues from agenda matters and pending or threatened litigations.

b. Deliberations concerning the purchase of real property

c. Deliberations concerning the duties of the CEO and CFO regarding supervision of personnel

d. Consider complaints against directors and senior staff

e. Discussion of duties and evaluation of administrative personnel, including complaints regarding school staffing, academic and organizational changes for the 2024-2025 school year

10. **ADJOURNMENT** 7:41pm