TEJANO CENTER FOR COMMUNITY CONCERNS, INC.

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, May 27, 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, May 27, 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.

Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at 5:30 PM - Board Meeting

1. **CALL TO ORDER** (2 minutes)
   Called to order at 6:00pm, after Board Meetings for Nueva Vida (Called to Order at 5:30pm) and Sunrise Lofts (Called to Order at 5:52pm)
2. **PRAYER** (3 minutes) Maria P. Gonzalez
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/TEXAS PLEDGE** (2 minutes) Justin Fuentes
4. **ROLL CALL** (3 minutes)

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived	Departed
David Corpus	Board Chair	Present – In Person	5:30 PM	
Anthony Magdaleno	Board Vice Chair	Absent		
Margaret Dunlap	Board Secretary	Present – In Person	5:42 PM	
Maria Gonzalez	Board Member	Present – In Person	5:30 PM	
Marco Martinez	Board Member	Present – In Person	5:30 PM	
Laura Mayorga	Board Member	Present - Virtual	5:35 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 Maribel Guerra, 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 Maribel.Guerra@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. **BRYSS EXPANSION PRESENTATION**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant, Hector Vogliotti, Associate Director, LevelField; Rob Tate, Director, LevelField

7. **ACTION ITEMS**

7.a. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 29, 2025 MEETING OF TEJANO CENTER FOR COMMUNITY CONCERNS/RAUL YZAGUIRRE SCHOOLS FOR SUCCESS BOARD OF DIRECTORS**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools
Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Martinez; MOTION PASSED.

7.b. **APPROVAL OF APRIL 2025 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; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant
Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Martinez; MOTION PASSED.
Gonzalez inquired about “progress report” that the Business Office had committed to delivering to show we were on track.
Amezcua reassured them that the Business Office Progress Report was included in the agenda as an information item.
Martinez emphasized that pre-work is important before audit.

7.c. **RATIFICATION OF MONTHLY DISBURSEMENT REPORT/VENDOR CUMULATIVE PAYMENTS FOR APRIL 2025 TO INCLUDE PROCUREMENT PROCESS AND EXPENDITURE APPROVALS**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant
Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Dunlap; MOTION PASSED.

7.d. **APPROVAL OF BUDGT AMENDMENT #6 IN THE AMOUNT OF $3,485 FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR EARLY COLLEGE TSTEM**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant
Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Martinez; MOTION PASSED.

7.e. **APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT #7 IN THE AMOUNT OF $13,440 FOR SUMMER SCHOOL/BRIDGE CAMP SALARIES**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant
Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Dunlap; MOTION PASSED.

7.f. **APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT #8 IN THE AMOUNT OF $52,004.52 FOR RYSS STEM ACADEMY PASADENA'S KITCHEN**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant
Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Gonzalez; MOTION PASSED.

7.g. **APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT #9 IN THE AMOUNT OF $120,000 FOR RYSS STEM ACADEMY PASADENA'S KITCHEN UPGRADES**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant
Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Dunlap; MOTION PASSED.
Amezcua informed the board that this had been planned for through reserves.

7.h. **APPROVAL OF PROPOSED 2025-2026 TEACHER CONTRACT FOR THE RAUL YZAGUIRRE SCHOOLS FOR SUCCCES**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Juan Santos, M.Ed., Executive Director of Human Resources
Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Gonzalez; MOTION PASSED.

7.i. **APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT OF TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY ADDITIONAL DAYS SCHOOL YEAR (ADSY) MISSED INSTRUCTIONAL DAY WAIVER DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER FOR FRIDAY JANUARY 22, 2025 AND MARCH 28, 2025**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Justin Fuentes, M.Ed., Chief Schools Officer
Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Martinez; MOTION PASSED.

7.j. **APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM ANONYMOUS DONOR AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE Speaker(s):** Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graciana "Graci" Garces, M.P.Aff., Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer; Jorge Gonzalez, Director, Resolve Program
Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Gonzalez; MOTION PASSED.

7.k. **APPROVAL OF THE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FROM TEXAS CAPITAL BANK FOUNDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF $20,000 IN SUPPORT OF THE HOMEBUYER EDUCATION PROGRAM**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Gabriela "Gabby" Luna, Director, Housing & Community Redevelopment
Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Dunlap; MOTION PASSED.

7.l. **APPROVAL OF THE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FROM NEIGHBORWORKS AMERICA IN THE AMOUNT OF $1000 FOR THE SPONSORSHIP OF LUNCH FOR HOMEBUYER EDUCATION CLASS ATTENDEES DURING NATIONAL HOMEOWNERSHIP MONTH**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Gabriela "Gabby" Luna, Director, Housing & Community Redevelopment
Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Dunlap; MOTION PASSED.

7.m. **RATIFICATION OF GRANT FROM NEIGHBORWORKS AMERICA IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000 AS PART OF ROUND 1 UNRESTRICTED FUNDING**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Gabriela "Gabby" Luna, Director, Housing & Community Redevelopment
Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Dunlap; MOTION PASSED.

7.n. **RATIFICATION OF GRANT FROM NEIGHBORWORKS AMERICA IN THE AMOUNT OF $5,500 OF UNRESTRICTED FUNDS**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Gabriela "Gabby" Luna, Director, Housing & Community Redevelopment
Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Martinez; MOTION PASSED.

7.o. **APPROVAL TO INCLUDE TEJANO CENTER FOR COMMUNITY CONCERNS IN APPLICATION WITH MAGELLAN HOUSING TO THE HARRIS COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATIONS RFP TO DEVELOP A TRACT IN HARDY YARDS AND TO GRANT DR. ADRIANA TAMEZ SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION ON ALL RELATED MATTERS**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant; Ricardo "Rich" Rodriguez, Director, Facilities and Property Development
Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Dunlap;
Discussion:
Corpus inquired about environmental study; and by whom it was conducted; requested Phase I and II reports.
Tamez clarified that it's county land. Requested that the board table the item to allow for time to gather and share information, specifically related to the environmental study/report.
TABLED.

7.p. **APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE 2024-2025 CONTRACT WITH ABILITIES THERAPY AND CONSULTATION, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF $60,000 TO ALLOW FOR THE CONTINUED PROVISION OF SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPY AND REQUIRED ASSESSMENTS**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Justin Fuentes, M.Ed., Chief Schools Officer
Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Martinez; MOTION PASSED.

7.q. **APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE 2024-2025 SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH NORA BENNY, LSSP FOR AN AMOUNT UP TO $35,000 TO PROVIDE A NUMBER OF SERVCES TO SUPPORT STUDENTS WITH BEHAVIORAL DIFFICULTIES**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Justin Fuentes, M.Ed., Chief Schools Officer
Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Gonzalez; MOTION PASSED.

7.r. **APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO DECLARE A GOOD CAUSE EXCEPTION FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES STANDARDS REQUIREMENTS**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Justin Fuentes, M.Ed., Chief Schools Officer
Motion made by Gonzalez; Seconded by Dunlap; MOTION PASSED.

7.s. **APPROVAL OF WAIVER SUBMISSION TO THE TEXAS EDUATION AGENCY (TEA) FOR LOW ATTENDANCE DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER ON APRIL 21, 2025 AT EARLY COLLEGE T-STEM ACADEMY, EARLY COLLEGE STEM ACADEMY, BRYSS ACADEMY, PSTEM ACADEMY, LEONEL CASTILLO EC STEM ACADEMY, AND RYSS STEM ACADEMY AT FIRST FRIENDS**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Justin Fuentes, M.Ed., Chief Schools Officer
Motion made by Martinez; Seconded by Gonzalez; MOTION PASSED.

7.t. **APPROVAL OF 2025 FORM 990 FOR TEJANO CENTER FOR COMMUNITY CONCERNS-NON-SCHOOL (PERIOD OF 9/1/2023 TO 8/31/2024**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, Acting CFO Consultant
Motion made by Dunlap; Seconded by Martinez; MOTION PASSED.

8. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

8.a. **BUSINESS OFFICE PROGRESS REPORT FOR MAY 2025**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Antonio Zambrano, Chief Financial & Operations Officer

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

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

8.d. **GRADCAFE/NOVA ACADEMY FOR ADULT EDUCATION REPORT**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Melissa Martinez, Director, GRADcafe & NOVA Academy for Adult Education

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

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

8.g. **BOARD ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES**
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graciana “Graci” 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 6:58pm**