

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HARLINGEN CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
MAY 8, 2007**

The Board of Trustees of the Harlingen Consolidated Independent School District met in a Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, May 8, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Harlingen CISD Administration Building located at 407 N. 77 Sunshine Strip, Harlingen, Texas. Lee Means, Board President, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lee Means, Cesar Maldonado, George McShan, Gerry Fleuriet, Verna Young, Omar Cano and Javier De Leon

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Linda Wade, Tricia Morrow, Ramiro Flores, Art Cavazos, Julio Cavazos, Rosalinda Vargas and Sonia Brown

APPROVAL OF NEW ELEM. BOUNDARY: A motion was made by Cesar Maldonado to approve Option I for the new elementary school boundary area as presented by Tricia Morrow. Gerry Fleuriet seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **(Option I boundary map is filed with these minutes.)**

APPROVAL OF TRAVIS ELEM. BOUNDARY: A motion was made by Omar Cano to approve Option 7 for the Travis Elementary boundary area as presented by Tricia Morrow. Verna Young seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **(Option 7 boundary map is filed with these minutes.)**

EXECUTIVE SESSION: **Board President Lee Menas called for an Executive Session at 7:04 p.m. in accordance with Sections 551.071, 551.074, and 551.082, the Texas Open Government Code (The Texas Open Meetings Act) to discuss:**

a. Discuss Employment of Athletic Coordinator/Head Football Coach at Harlingen High School

OPEN SESSION: **The meeting reconvened into Open Session at 7:30 p.m.**

CONSIDER EMPLOYMENT OF HHS ATHLETIC COORDINATOR: A motion was made by George McShan to employ Manuel "Manny" Gomez to fill the position of Athletic Coordinator/Head Football Coach at Harlingen High School. Omar Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS: The Board of Trustees and administrative staff recognized Mrs. Lee Means for her service as Board President for the 2006-2007 school year.

The Board and administrative staff recognized retiring Board member, Mrs. Lee Means, for her many years of dedicated service to the Harlingen CISD as a member of the Board of Trustees for the years 1998-2007.

The Board recognized Claudia Garcia, a 6th grade student at Vernon Middle School, who won 2nd place in the Texas Water Utilities Association Poster/Essay Contest.

Mandy Key, Executive Coordinator for Harlingen Proud, recognized the following campuses for participating in the phone book recycling campaign: 1st Place School: Stuart Place Elementary collected 2,815 books; 2nd Place School: Austin Elementary collected 2,008 books; and 3rd Place School: Wilson Elementary collected 1,872 books.

Mandy Key recognized Diana Flores, a student at Rodriguez Elementary School, for having won 1st place in the Arbor Day Poster Contest.

The Board recognized the following students and teacher for being recipients of the 2006-2007 \$500 GT Scholarship: Matthew Muniz, student at Long Elementary, Reynaldo Gonzalez, Jr., student at Memorial Middle School, and Roxanna S. Moore, teacher at HHS-South.

Students Cynthia Garcia and Joeann Lozano were recognized by the Board for receiving an associate of arts degree from UTB/TSC on May 12, 2007 and will also receive their high school diplomas on June 2, 2007.

**ARCHITECT'S
REPORT:**

Dr. Linda Wade reported on the following construction projects: **Central Administration Building** – The building is mostly complete. The Board room is the only room not entirely complete. Specialty items are not yet complete; final items should arrive on or before May 12, 2007. A certificate of occupancy has been issued and HCISD staff is occupying the building as of April 10, 2007. **Bonham** – The new classroom building is complete and occupied by students and staff. Flatwork around the new building is complete. The contractor is nearing completion of the last classroom wing. **Boggus Stadium** – Site work is nearing completion on east side of stadium. Spalling repair and grouting is nearing completion. Exterior block work has begun. Site work has begun on west side of the stadium. Re-routing drain pipe around restroom area on west side has begun. **New Elementary School** – Gignac & Associates is working steadfastly to complete the CD's of the new elementary school. **HHS** – Landscaping is complete. Work continues on Building O. Areas are taped, bedded, textured and painted with first coat.

**PUBLIC
COMMENTS:**

Rosie Elizarde Cavazos appeared before the Board to express her concerns regarding the need for more handicapped parking areas at Boggus Stadium for disabled fans.

**CONSENT
AGENDA:**

A motion was made by Cesar Maldonado to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- a. Minutes of the April 10, 2007 Regular Board Meeting as written.
- b. Budget Amendments as recommended by the Administration.
- c. May tax refunds as recommended by the Administration.
- d. Approval of Board Policies BDAA (Local), BDB (Local), DFBB (Local), and EHAC (Local) as revised by TASB Policy Service and revision of Board Policies BJA (Local), BJCD (Local) and FO (Local) as revised by the Board on 2nd reading.

Verna Young seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **(Budget Amendments and Tax Refunds are filed with these minutes.)**

APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-STATE TRIP FOR SOUTH: A motion was made by Gerry Fleuriet to approve an out-of-state trip for HHS-South student to attend SkillsUSA National Competition in Kansas City, Missouri on June 24-30, 2007. George McShan seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-STATE TRIP FOR SOUTH: A motion was made by Cesar Maldonado to approve an out-of-state trip for HHS-South SkillsUSA Rocket Team to Manassas, Virginia on May 17-20, 2007. Omar Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-STATE TRIP FOR HHS: A motion was made by George McShan to approve an out-of-state trip for HHS a student to attend SkillsUSA National Competition in Kansas City, Missouri on June 25-30, 2007. Javier De Leon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-STATE TRIP FOR HHS: A motion was made by Verna Young to approve an out-of-state trip for HHS Engineering Rocket Team students to attend a National Competition in Manassas, Virginia on May 17-20, 2007. Cesar Maldonado seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-STATE TRIP FOR SOUTH: A motion was made by Gerry Fleuriet to approve an out-of-state trip for HHS-South Forensic students to attend a national competition in Wichita, Kansas on June 16-23, 2007. Verna Young seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF HHS BAND HALL RENOVATIONS & BUDGET AMEND: A motion was made by Cesar Maldonado to approve Harlingen High School Band Hall renovations and a budget amendment for architect's fees. Omar Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MONIES TO REPLACE COAKLEY BRIDGE: A motion was made by Cesar Maldonado to deny the approval of monies to replace the bridge at Coakley Middle School and to place barricades on district property. Omar Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MODIFIED SCHEDULE/TAKS TESTING DAYS WAIVER: A motion was made by Gerry Fleuriet to approve the modified schedule/TAKS testing days waiver. Javier De Leon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **(Modified Schedule/TAKS Testing Days Waiver is filed with these minutes.)**

APPROVAL OF PROPERTY INS. PROPOSAL: A motion was made by Javier De Leon to approve the acceptance of Property Insurance Proposal #2 from Shepard Walton King. George McShan seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

MONTHLY TAX COLLECTION INFORMATION: Julio Cavazos provided monthly tax collection information for the Board's review. **(Monthly Tax Collection Information is filed with these minutes.)**

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS INFORMATION: Julio Cavazos provided Special Revenue Funds Information for the Board's review. **(Special Revenue Funds Information is filed with these minutes.)**

MONTHLY FINANCIALS REPORT: Julio Cavazos provided a Monthly Financials Report for the Board's review. **(Monthly Financials Report is filed with these minutes.)**

**CONSIDER
LEVEL IV
GRIEVANCE:**

A motion was made by Cesar Maldonado to deny the Level IV grievance brought forth by Baura Ulloa. Omar Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION:**

Board President Lee Means called for an Executive Session at 9:02 p.m. in accordance with Sections 551.071, 551.074, and 551.082, the Texas Open Government Code (The Texas Open Meetings Act) to discuss:

- a. Discuss Employment of Teachers and Other Professional Staff**

OPEN SESSION:

The meeting reconvened into Open Session at 9:35 p.m.

**CONSIDER
EMPLOYMENT
OF TEACHERS &
OTHER PROF.
STAFF:**

A motion was made by George McShan to employ the following teachers and other professional staff for the 2007-2008 school year: Lourdes Cavazos, Michael Ramirez, Ruth Mariscal-Garcia, Dora Perez, Ester Perez, Sarah Smalley, Kandra Turner, and Pearlanne Witkowski. Verna Young seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

READ AND APPROVED:

PRESIDING OFFICER

DATE