

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
HARLINGEN CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FEBRUARY 10, 2009**

The Board of Trustees of the Harlingen Consolidated Independent School District met in a Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, February 10, 2009 at 7:31 p.m. in the Harlingen CISD Administration Building located at 407 N. 77 Sunshine Strip, Harlingen, Texas. George McShan, Board President, called the meeting to order.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** George McShan, Javier De Leon, Verna Young, Omar Cano, Gerry Fleuriet, Dr. Cesar Maldonado and Lyle Garza

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Dr. Steve Flores, Art Cavazos, Tricia Morrow, Ramiro Flores, Julio Cavazos, Rosalinda Vargas, Allen Aleshire and Sonia Brown

**AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:** The following students were recognized for having been selected as Texas "All-State" Musicians: Abigail Barron, Luis Corpus, Monse Piceno, Kelli Wilson, Miranda Marquette, Paula Villarreal, Xavier Siller, Alex Ramirez, Derek Stewart, Jeffery Salinas, Paul Barnett, Cara Peyton, Erica Rubio, Kaycee Zuniga, Nicholas Garza, Robert Reyna, Jennifer Cash and Matthew Moron.

The following HHS-South students were recognized by Harlingen Proud for winning the 2009 Harlingen Proud Theme Contest: Molly Oden, Matt Dittman and Gina Spilman. A check for \$500 was given to the Graphic Arts Program at South, as well as a tree planted on the campus to honor the winners.

The Board recognized the following HHS-South Speech and Debate Team students for having qualified to attend the Tournament of Champions in Extemporaneous Speaking to be held in Evanston, Illinois at Northwestern University: Cody Sporer and Kara Tapangan.

**PRINCIPALS' REPORTS:** Daniel Garza, Principal at Lamar Elementary School, presented a Principal's Report highlighting students, staff, parents and campus events.

Rosie Cobarrubias, Principal at Milam Elementary School, presented a Principals Report highlighting students, staff, parents and campus events.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA:** A motion was made by Dr. Cesar Maldonado to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- a. Proclamations proclaiming Educational Diagnosticians' Week as March 2-6, 2009 and Texas Public Schools Week as March 9-13, 2009.
- b. Minutes of the January 13, 2009 Regular Board Meeting as written.
- c. Award of Proposals as follows: 1) Closed Circuit Security Camera System Catalog Term Bid, 2) Grease Traps and Septic System Cleanout Term Bid, 3) Custodial Equipment and Supplies Line Item and Catalog Term Bid, 4) Air Filter Media Line Item Term Bid, 5) Custodial Supplies Line Item and Catalog Term Bid, 6) Custodial

Vacuum Parts Line Item Term Bid, 7) Fire Extinguisher Supplies, Services & Inspections Term Bid, 8) Grounds Material Term Bid, 9) Small Engine Parts Line Item and Catalog Term Bid, 10) Window and Door Glass Products Catalog/Shelf Term Bid

- d. Budget Amendments as presented by Julio Cavazos and as recommended by the Administration
- e. Tax Refunds as presented by Julio Cavazos and as recommended by the Administration.
- f. Revision of Board Policy DEC (Local) on 1<sup>st</sup> reading as presented y Rosalinda Vargas and as recommended by the Administration.
- g. Revision of Board Policy DH (Local) on 1<sup>st</sup> reading as presented by Rosalinda Vargas and as recommended by the Administration.
- h. Revision of Board Policy EIC (Local) on 1<sup>st</sup> reading as presented by Arturo Cavazos and as recommended by the Administration.
- i. Revision of Board Policy GKD (Local) on 1<sup>st</sup> reading as presented by Julio Cavazos and as recommended by the Administration.
- j. Approval of Board Policy Manual Update 84 on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading as presented by Dr. Steve Flores and as recommended by the Administration.

Omar Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **(Proclamations, Award of Proposals, Budget Amendments, and Tax Refunds are filed with these minutes.)**

**APPROVAL OF  
OUT-OF-STATE  
TRIP FOR SOUTH  
SPEECH TEAM:**

A motion was made by Gerry Fleuriet to approve an out-of-state trip for HHS-South Speech and Debate Team to attend the Tournament of Champions in Extemporaneous Speaking in Evanston, Illinois. Javier De Leon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF  
REPORT ON  
COOPERATIVE  
FEES PAID:**

A motion was made by Lyle Garza to approve a report on cooperative fees paid by HCISD as presented by Tony Gracia and as recommended by the Administration. Verna Young seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF  
EARLY VOTING  
CLERK:**

A motion was made by Verna Young to approve the appointment of Lupita Cruz as the Early Voting Clerk as presented by Julio Cavazos and as recommended by the Administration. Javier De Leon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF  
ELECTION  
ORDER:**

A motion was made by Javier De Leon to approve an Election Order and Notice of Trustee Election as presented by Julio Cavazos and as recommended by the Administration. Gerry Fleuriet seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **(Election Order and Notice of Trustee Election is filed with these minutes.)**

**APPROVAL OF  
E-RATE ROUND  
12 PRIORITY 2  
PROJECT  
APPLICATION:**

A motion was made by Gerry Fleuriet to approve an E-Rate Round 12, Priority 2 Project Application as presented by James Percy and as recommended by the Administration. Verna Young seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **(E-Rate Application is filed with these minutes.)**

**APPROVAL OF FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM:** A motion was made by Lyle Garza to approve a full day kindergarten program in the Harlingen CISD for the 2009-2010 school year as presented by Tricia Morrow and Julio Cavazos and as recommended by the Administration. Omar Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF CLASS SIZE REQUIREMENTS:** A motion was made by Verna Young to approve compliance with class size requirements for spring 2009 as presented by Tricia Morrow and as recommended by the Administration. Javier De Leon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CAMERON COUNTY DIST. 5:** A motion was made by Gerry Fleuriet to approve an interlocal agreement with Cameron County Drainage District #5 for relocation of drainage ditch as presented by Ramiro Flores and as recommended by the Administration. Omar Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **(Interlocal Agreement is filed with these minutes.)**

**APPROVAL OF 2009-2010 SCHOOL CALENDAR:** A motion was made by Javier De Leon to approve Option B of the 2009-2010 school calendar with an amendment switching President's Day for Martin Luther King's Day as recommended by the Administration. Omar Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **(Calendar B is filed with these minutes.)**

**APPROVAL OF RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR RELOCATION OF DITCH AT SOUTH:** A motion was made by Verna Young to approve the exchanging and granting of right-of-way to Cameron County Drainage District #5 for relocation of drainage ditch at HHS-South baseball/softball fields as presented by Ramiro Flores and as recommended by the Administration. Dr. Cesar Maldonado seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT:** Ramiro Flores reported that the Facilities Committee met on February 5, 2009. Mr. Flores stated that agenda items discussed at the meeting included: a full day kindergarten program, information regarding a 3<sup>rd</sup> high school, construction reports, status of HHS science labs, status of baseball field projects, granting a right-of-way to the City of Harlingen for Dixieland Road expansion, approving an interlocal agreement with Cameron County Drainage District #5 for relocation of a drainage ditch, exchanging and granting a right-of-way to Cameron County Drainage District #5 for the relocation of a drainage ditch at HHS-South, recognition criteria for building plaques, construction monies and election polling places.

**FORMATIVE EVALUATION OF CAMPUS AND DIST. PLANS:** Tricia Morrow and Art Cavazos presented formative evaluation of campus plans and District plan for the Board's review.

**MONTHLY TAX COLLECTION INFORMATION: MONTHLY** Julio Cavazos provided Monthly Tax Collection Information for the Board's review. **(Monthly Tax Collection 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.)**

**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.)

**SCHOOL BOARD CONTINUING EDUCATION REPORT:**

School Board President George McShan presented a School Board Member Continuing Education Report. Board members are on schedule to complete all required credit hours.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Board President George McShan called for an Executive Session at 8:35 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
- b. Discuss Administrators' Contract Recommendations for the 2009-2010 School Year
- c. Discuss Possible Changes to the Superintendent's Organizational Chart
- d. Discuss Superintendent's Evaluation & Contract

**OPEN SESSION:**

The meeting reconvened into open session at 12:41 a.m. on February 11, 2009.

**EMPLOYMENT OF TEACHERS AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL STAFF:**

No action was taken on the employment of teachers and other professional staff.

**ADMIN. CONTRACT RECOMMEND.:**

A motion was made by Dr. Cesar Maldonado to approve the administrative contract recommendations as discussed in Executive Session. Javier De Leon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. (Administrative Contract Recommendations are filed with these minutes.)

**APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO SUPT'S ORG. CHART:**

A motion was made by Gerry Fleuriet to approve the changes to Superintendent's organizational chart as discussed in Executive Session. Verna Young seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**SUPT'S EVAL. & CONTRACT:**

A motion was made by Lyle Garza to approve the Superintendent's contract and evaluation as discussed in Executive Session. Omar Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 12:44 a.m. on February 11, 2009.

**READ AND APPROVED:**

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PRESIDING OFFICER

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DATE