

# Minutes of Public Hearing /Regular Meeting

## August 23, 2017

### The Board of Trustees

### San Diego Independent School District

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A Public Hearing /Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of San Diego Independent School District was held Wednesday, August 23, 2017, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Bernarda Jaime Jr. High Library, 609 Labbe Ave., San Diego, Texas 78384.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

A Public Hearing took place at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the District's Budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. A discussion of proposed tax rate for the 2017-2018 took place. Public participation was invited.

#### **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

The meeting was call called to order by Mrs. Libby Vela, Vice President at 7:17 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance and to the Texas Flag was led by Mr. Ralph Saenz, III. followed by a moment of silence.

The following board of trustees was present:

Librada Vela, Vice-President  
Ralph Saenz, III, Secretary  
Christine A. Santos, Member  
Rene Valerio, Member

Absent was Mr. Carlos Espinosa, Mr. Pete Guerra and Mr. Manuel Molina  
Quorum was established.

#### **Public forum**

Members of the audience were given the opportunity to make presentations to the Board. No presentation shall be longer than five minutes. If needed, a closed meeting under Texas Government Code Sections 551.074 and 551.082 will take place to discuss and/or deliberate on employee complaints or student discipline issues.

- The following audience members addressed the board regarding Mrs. Fatima Garcia:  
Anahi Gonzalez  
Vanessa Gonzalez  
Ashley Garcia  
Fatima Garcia

## **Approval of Minutes**

### **Action Item:**

Consideration and possible approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of July 26, 2017.

- Motion was made by Mr. Ralph Saenz, III. and seconded by Mr. Rene Valerio to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of July 26, 2017. Vote taken, motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

### **Information Items:**

#### Tax Collector's Report

- Mrs. Angelica Smithwick reported on the tax rate being: TYTD: 85.56 LYTD: 88.26 indicating a reduction in collection rate of a negative 2.70%.

#### Cafeteria Report

##### Bills paid

##### Income and Expense Comparison reports

##### CD's Now Account and Investments

##### TEA payment report

##### Schedule of construction costs

##### Telebank transfers

##### Current funding projects

#### Aramark Maintenance Report by Eddie Hernandez

- Mr. Eddie Hernandez, Director of Maintenance with Aramark, passed out a recap report of work orders and other projects and reviewed it with the Board.

#### Aramark Cafeteria report from Patricia Perales.

- Ms. Patricia Perales informed the board of the summer program

#### Information from Jesus Martinez regarding community garden.

- Student Jesus Martinez informed the board of his ideas of having a community garden in back of the Collins-Parr Elem. School. He explained how the garden would work and who would benefit from the garden.

#### Transportation and fuel log report.

- Ms. Julie Rosas of All Aboard Transportation addressed the board with a verbal transportation report.

#### Second reading of Policy update 108 affecting San Diego ISD Local Policies.

EF (Local) INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES

EFA (LOCAL) INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES/INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS (DELETE)

EFAA (LOCAL) INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL SELECTION AND ADOPTION (DELETE)

EHDB (LOCAL) ALTERNATIVE METHODS FOR EARNING CREDIT/CREDIT BY EXAMINATION WITH PRIOR INSTRUCTION

EIF (LOCAL) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT GRADUATION

EL (LOCAL) CAMPUS CHARTERS

GKB (LOCAL) COMMUNITY RELATIONS, ADVERTISING AND FUNDRAISING

- The Board acknowledged the second reading of Policy update 108.

#### Information from ICE Engineers regarding Safe Routes to Schools.

#### Information on additional sidewalks regarding Safe Routes to Schools.

- Carlos Montalvo and Jaime Torres with ICE Engineers gave an update on the Safe Routes to Schools Sidewalk. A completion date is set at December 1, 2017.

#### Information regarding Charterization of the San Diego Hope School.

#### Information and presentation regarding Senate Bill 1882.

- Mr. Marty Deleon and his associate from Escamilla & Poneck informed the board regarding Charterization of the SDHS and Senate Bill 1882.

## Action Items

Consideration and possible approval of budget amendments for the 2016-2017 school year, if any.

- Motion was made by Mr. Ralph Saenz, III and seconded by Mr. Rene Valerio to approve the budget amendments for the 2016-2017 school year as presented by Mrs. Angelica Smithwick. Vote taken, motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Consideration and possible approval to adopt a resolution recognizing the Jim Wells County 4-H and Texas 4-H Organization as approved for recognition and eligible for extracurricular status consideration under 19 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 76.1, pertaining to extracurricular activities.

Consideration and possible approval of Adjunct Faculty Request/Appointment of Rogelio Mercado and Barbie Wymore with the Texas AgriLife Extension, Jim Wells County 4-H Organization in accordance with 19 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 76.1, pertaining to extracurricular activities.

- Motion was made by Mrs. Christine Santos and seconded by Mrs. Libby Vela to adopt and approve a resolution recognizing the Jim Wells County 4-H and Texas 4-H Organization as approved for recognition and eligible for extracurricular status consideration under 19 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 76.1, pertaining to extracurricular activities and Adjunct Faculty Request/Appointment of Rogelio Mercado and Barbie Wymore with the Texas AgriLife Extension, Jim Wells County 4-H Organization in accordance with 19 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 76.1, pertaining to extracurricular activities. Vote taken, motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Consideration and possible approval to adopt the proposed budget for the 2017-2018 school year.

- Motion was made by Mr. Rene Valerio and seconded by Mrs. Christine Santos to approve and adopt the proposed budget for the 2017-2018 school year. Vote taken, motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Consideration and possible approval to adopt the proposed tax rate for the 2017-2018 school year.

- Motion was made by Mr. Ralph Saenz, III and seconded by Mr. Rene Valerio to approve and adopt the proposed tax rate of 1.44 for the 2017-2018 school year. Vote taken, motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Consideration and possible approval to endorse a candidate nominated to fill a position on the TASB Board of Directors.

- Motion was made by Mrs. Christine Santos and seconded by Mrs. Libby Vela to approve the endorsement of Carrie Gregory, a candidate nominated to fill a position on the TASB Board of Directors. Vote taken, motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Consideration and possible approval to authorize Superintendent to negotiate contract with low bid for remodeling of High School gym floor and bleachers.

- No Action Taken.

Consideration and possible approval to authorize Superintendent to negotiate a contract for baseball and softball bleacher canopies.

- Motion was made by Mrs. Libby Vela and seconded by Mr. Ralph Saenz, III. to authorize Superintendent to negotiate a contract with Superior Recreational. Products for the baseball and softball bleacher canopies. Vote taken, motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Consideration and possible approval to donate furniture to St. Joseph Catholic Church.

- Motion was made by Mrs. Libby Vela and seconded by Christine Santos to donate furniture to St. Joseph Catholic Church. Vote taken, motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Consideration and possible approval of the San Diego High School Course Catalog.

- Motion was made by Mr. Rene Valerio and seconded by Mrs. Christine Santos to approve the San Diego High School Course Catalog. Vote taken, motion carries with a vote of 4-0.

Consideration and possible approval to add additional sidewalks as proposed by ICE Engineers regarding Safe Routes to Schools.

- No Action Taken.

Consideration and possible approval to appoint a representative from San Diego I.S.D. Board of Trustees to be on the Board of the Duval County Appraisal District.

- Motion was made by Mrs. Libby Vela and seconded by Mrs. Christine Santos to appoint Mr. Ralph Saenz, III. to represent San Diego I.S.D. as a Director of the Board of the Duval County Appraisal District. Vote taken, motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Consideration and possible approval to accept bid for the painting of the San Diego High School gym walls.

- Motion was made by Mr. Ralph Saenz, III. and seconded by Mrs. Christine Santos to approve the bid from Luchazie Construction for the painting of the San Diego High School gym walls. Vote taken, motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Consideration and possible approval of additional proposed sidewalks by ICE Engineers regarding Safe Routes to Schools.

- No Action taken.

Consideration and possible approval to donate historical items to San Diego Museum.

- Motion was made by Mrs. Libby Vela and seconded by Mrs. Christine Santos to approve the donation of historical items to San Diego Museum. Vote taken, motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

#### Legal

The Board convened to closed meeting at 8:57 p.m. in accordance with Texas Government Code 551.071 to receive information from Attorney regarding any pending or contemplated litigation, or when the attorney will have an ethical duty of confidentiality, Section 551.072 to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property and Section 551.074 to deliberate the employment, evaluation, re-assignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of an employee.

The Board reconvened to open session at 11:57 to take action on items discussed in closed session.

Information from Mark Brodeur regarding pending litigation.

- No Action Taken

#### Personnel

Level 3 Grievance hearing of Fatima Garcia.

- No Action Taken.

Consideration and possible approval to hire other personnel for the upcoming 2017-2018 school year.  
Consideration and possible approval to hire other Professional Personnel for the upcoming 2017-2018 school year.

Update from Dr. Samuel Bueno on Professional Personnel hired for the 2017-2018 school year.

- Motion was made by Mrs. Libby Vela and seconded by Mrs. Christine Santos to approve the list of Other Personned and Other Professional Personnel to be hired and Professional Personnel hired by Dr. Bueno for the 2017-2018 school year. Vote taken, motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

**Tax Resale Property**

- None

**Adjourn**

- Motion was made by Mrs. Libby Vela and seconded by Mr. Ralph Saenz, III. to adjourn the meeting. Vote taken, motion carried with a vote of 4-0. The meeting ended at 12:00 midnight.

**APPROVED:**

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**Board President**

**ATTEST:**

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**Board Secretary**