REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MAY 8, 2023

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Lori Ann Garza, President

Larry Cantu, Vice-President Cezar Martinez, Secretary

Bobby Marroquin, Assistant Secretary

Erik Gallegos, Trustee Mario Mesa, Trustee

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: All board members were present.

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Dr. Marc Puig, Superintendent

Mrs. Diana L. Silvas, Deputy Superintendent Mrs. Vanessa Riggs, Chief Financial Officer

VISITORS: Daniel Ceballos Noemi Ortiz Adan Botello
Marcos Alaniz Norma Jean De Luna Amber White
Benito Portillo M.B. Pena Maribel Trevino

Lisa Spivey

V. Martinez

Lucio Mendoza

Laura Cueva

Frica Hinoiosa

Lucio MendozaLaura CuevaErica HinojosaRachel MedranoCecilia Loera SpringerPam KwaitkowskiLori CantuFiliberto TagleMario LongoriaAnisa Chavera

1.0 GENERAL FUNCTIONS

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM

At 6:00 p.m., President Lori Ann Garza called this meeting of the Robstown Independent School District Board of Trustees to order.

ROLL CALL: Lori Ann Garza – Present, Larry Cantu – Present, Cezar Martinez – Present, Bobby Marroquin – Present, Erik Gallegos – Present, and Mario Mesa – Present

Present -6 Absent -0

Let the record show that a quorum of Board Members are present, that this meeting has been called, and that notice of this meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

2.0 MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAYER

Trustee Erik Gallegos led the audience and the Board in prayer.

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/TEXAS FLAG PLEDGE

President Lori Ann Garza led the board members and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Flag Pledge.

4.0 <u>VISION – INSPIRING LIFE-LONG LEARNING BY PROVIDING</u> LIMITLESS OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUCCESS

Adriana Tagle read the following vision statement: "Inspiring Life-Long Learning by Providing Limitless Opportunities for Success."

MISSION – EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS TODAY TO PREPARE FOR TOMORROW

Adriana Tagle read the following mission statement: "Empowering Individuals Today to Prepare for Tomorrow."

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, President Lori Ann Garza thanked Adriana Tagle for her service as Interim Superintendent and dedication to the school district. Individual board members expressed their appreciation of Mrs. Tagle's dedication, stepping up to the interim superintendent's role, and leading the school district in the right direction. The Board also presented flowers and a gift to Mrs. Tagle. Mrs. Tagle thanked the Board for allowing her the opportunity to lead the school district.

5.0 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Marcos Alaniz informed the board members that the Water District would be hosting the Fifth Annual Kids Fish on Saturday, May 13, 2023, from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 pm on 1200 North Fourth Street, Robstown, Texas. The participating ages are from 5-12 years old and 13-17 years old. Liability forms will need to be filled out by participants.

6.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S CELEBRATION(S)

6A PROUD YOU'RE A PICKER AWARD

Roxanne Carrillo announced that the nominees for the *Proud You're a Picker Award* are nominated for going above and beyond their job duties by helping students and or co-workers. She recognized the following two *Proud You're a Picker Award* nominees: 1) James Espinoza, RECHS Teacher; and 2) Michael Ross, Seale Jr. High School Security Guard.

RECOGNITION OF SCIENCE FAIR REGIONAL PARTICIPANT FOR 2023
Cecilia Stringer reported that they had eighteen participants on April 22, 2023,
at the Coastal Bend Science Fair, and she recognized Alex Rodriguez for placing

first in the 2nd Grade level. Alex Rodriguez is a second grade student at Robert Driscoll Stem Academy Elementary School. She also recognized Aaron Rodriguez for representing Robstown ISD at the State Science Fair competition.

7.0 <u>INFORMATIONAL ITEMS</u>

7A 2023 SCHOOL BOARD CONFERENCE – MAY 19-20, 2023 – CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

President Lori Ann Garza announced that the 2023 School Board Conference would be held on May 19-20, 2023, in Corpus Christi, Texas. If anyone was interested in attending to, please let Ms. Padilla know.

7B 2023 SUMMER LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE – JUNE 14-17, 2023 – SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

President Lori Ann Garza announced that the 2023 Summer Leadership Conference would be held on June 14-17, 2023, in San Antonio, Texas.

7C CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Dr. Marc Puig announced that they would have a team building workshop on June 5, 2023, June 6, 2023, June 7, 2023, or June 12, 2023. The days were still tentative.

7D GRADUATION DATE – MAY 20, 2023, 8:00 P.M., RECHS FOOTBALL STADIUM

President Lori Ann Garza announced that graduations would be on May 20, 2023, at 8:00 p.m., at the Robstown Early College High School Football Stadium.

8.0 <u>CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS</u>

- 8A APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- 8B APPROVAL OF LIST OF BILLS
- 8C APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT(S) #25
- 8D FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORT

President Lori Ann Garza asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented.

Motion #7215 A motion was made by Trustee L. Cantu and seconded by Trustee C. Martinez to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes, L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried Yes - 6 No - 0 Absent - 0 6:22 p.m.

9.0 BUSINESS AND SUPPORT

9A DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RENEWAL OF ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT CONTRACT

Dr. Marc Puig recommended approving the renewal of the annual financial contract as presented.

Motion #7216 A motion was made by Trustee L. Cantu and seconded by Trustee B. Marroquin to approve the superintendent's recommendation.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes, L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried 6:23 p.m.

Yes - 6

No - 0

Absent -0

9B

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RENEWAL OF DEPOSITORY CONTRACT WITH WELLS FARGO FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2023, THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2025

Dr. Marc Puig recommended approving the depository contract with Wells Fargo Bank for the period of September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024, as presented.

Motion #7217 A motion was made by Trustee C. Martinez and seconded by Trustee E. Gallegos to approve the superintendent's recommendation.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes, L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried 6:24 p.m.

Yes - 6

No - 0

Absent -0

INSTRUCTION 10.0

10A

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ALLOTMENT AND TEKS CERTIFICATION FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

Dr. Marc Puig recommended approving the allotment and TEKS Certification for the 2023-2024 school year. He reported that every school district is required to certify that the school district is providing the materials that are aligned with TEKS.

Motion #7218 A motion was made by Trustee C. Martinez and seconded by Trustee L. Cantu to approve the superintendent's recommendation.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes, L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried

Yes - 6

No - 0

Absent -0

6:25 p.m.

11.0 CLOSED SESSION - SECTIONS 551.074

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, RESIGNATIONS, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF EMPLOYEES

President Lori Ann Garza asked for a motion on this item.

Motion #7219 A motion was made by Trustee C. Martinez and seconded by Trustee L. Cantu to go into executive session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.074.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes, L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried

Yes - 6

No - 0

Absent -0

6:26 p.m.

Motion #7220 A motion was made by Trustee B. Marroquin and seconded by Trustee L. Cantu to reconvene from the executive session.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes. L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried 8:26 p.m.

Yes-6

No - 0

Absent -0

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12.0 OPEN SESSION

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS,
EMPLOYMENTS, EVALUATIONS, RESIGNATIONS, REASSIGNMENTS,
DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF EMPLOYEES
Dr. Marc Puig recommended approving the Personnel List as presented in the executive session.

Motion #7221 A motion was made by Trustee C. Martinez and seconded by Trustee L. Cantu to approve the superintendent's recommendation.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes. L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried

Yes-6

No - 0

Absent -0

8:27 p.m.

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion #7222 A motion was made by Trustee B. Marroquin and seconded by Trustee E. Gallegos to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes, L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried

Yes-6

No - 0

Absent -0

8:27 p.m.

(The details of this meeting are recorded on tape dated 05/08/2023, except for the executive session.)

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MAY 12, 2023

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Lori Ann Garza, President

Bobby Marroquin, Assistant Secretary

Erik Gallegos, Trustee Mario Mesa, Trustee

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Larry Cantu, Vice-President

Cezar Martinez, Secretary

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: None present

VISITORS: There were no visitors.

1.0 GENERAL FUNCTIONS

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM

At 6:00 p.m., President Lori Ann Garza called this meeting of the Robstown

Independent School District Board of Trustees to order.

ROLL CALL: Lori Ann Garza – Present, Larry Cantu – Absent, Cezar Martinez – Absent, Bobby Marroquin – Present, Erik Gallegos – Present, and Mario Mesa – Present

Present -4 Absent -2

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2.0 MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAYER

President Lori Ann Garza led the audience and the board in a moment of silence.

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/TEXAS FLAG PLEDGE

President Lori Ann Garza led the board members and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Flag Pledge.

4.0 <u>VISION – INSPIRING LIFE-LONG LEARNING BY PROVIDING</u> <u>LIMITLESS OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUCCESS</u>

Trustee Mario Mesa read the following vision statement: "Inspiring Life-Long Learning by Providing Limitless Opportunities for Success."

MISSION – EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS TODAY TO PREPARE FOR TOMORROW

Trustee Erik Gallegos read the following mission statement: "Empowering Individuals Today to Prepare for Tomorrow."

5.0 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no comments from the public.

6.0 <u>CLOSED SESSION – SECTION(S) 551.074 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT</u> CODE

6A PURSUANT TO SECTION(S) 551.074 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, THE BOARD WILL ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION REGARDING NONRENEWAL OF ERBEY GONZALEZ'S TERM CONTRACT

The Board did not convene into executive session; therefore, no action was needed.

7.0 **OPEN SESSION:**

7A DISCUSSION/ACTION TO FINALIZE THE NONRENEWAL OF ERBEY GONZALEZ'S TERM CONTRACT PURSUANT TO SECTION 21.208 OF THE TEXAS EDUCATION CODE

Dr. Marc Puig recommended that the school district move forward with finalizing the non-renewal of Erbey Gonzalez's Term Contract Pursuant to Section 21.208 of the Texas Education Code.

Motion #7223 A motion was made by Trustee M. Mesa and seconded by Trustee B. Marroquin to approve the superintendent's recommendation.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes. L. Cantu – Absent, C. Martinez – Absent, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried Yes - 4 No - 0 Absent - 2 6:09 p.m.

8.0 <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Motion #7224 A motion was made by Trustee E. Gallegos and seconded by Trustee B. Marroquin to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes. L. Cantu – Absent, C. Martinez – Absent, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried Yes -4 No -0 Absent -2 6:10 p.m.

(The details of this meeting are recorded on tape dated 05/12/2023, except for the executive session.)

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MAY 23, 2023

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Larry Cantu, Vice-President

Cezar Martinez, Secretary

Bobby Marroquin, Assistant Secretary

Erik Gallegos, Trustee Mario Mesa, Trustee

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Lori Ann Garza, President

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Dr. Marc Puig, Superintendent

Diana L. Silvas, Deputy Superintendent Vanessa Riggs, Chief Financial Officer

VISITORS:

Adriana Tagle

Ronnie Robles

1.0 GENERAL FUNCTIONS

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM

At 6:00 p.m., Vice-President Larry Cantu called this meeting of the Robstown Independent School District Poord of Trustees to order

Independent School District Board of Trustees to order.

ROLL CALL: Lori Ann Garza – Absent, Larry Cantu – Present, Cezar Martinez – Present, Bobby Marroquin – Present, Erik Gallegos – Present, and Mario Mesa – Present

Present -5

Absent - 1

Let the record show that a quorum of Board Members are present, that this meeting has been called, and that notice of this meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

2.0 MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAYER

Dr. Marc Puig led the audience and the Board in prayer.

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/TEXAS FLAG PLEDGE

Vice-President Larry Cantu led the board members and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Flag Pledge.

4.0 <u>VISION – INSPIRING LIFE-LONG LEARNING BY PROVIDING</u> LIMITLESS OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUCCESS

Trustee Cezar Martinez read the following vision statement: "Inspiring Life-Long Learning by Providing Limitless Opportunities for Success."

<u>MISSION – EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS TODAY TO PREPARE FOR TOMORROW</u>

Trustee Mario Mesa read the following mission statement: "Empowering Individuals Today to Prepare for Tomorrow."

5.0 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no comments from the public.

6.0 <u>BUSINESS AND SUPPORT</u>

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE
THE RANKINGS OF PROPOSALS FOR CONTRACTOR SERVICES FOR HVAC
UPGRADES AT MULTIPLE CAMPUSES (ESSER), INCLUDING POSSIBLE
DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT TO NEGOTIATE
AND EXECUTE THE CONTRACT

Dr. Marc Puig recommended approving the rankings of proposals for contractor services for HVAC upgrades at the multiple campuses (ESSER), including possible delegation of authority to the Superintendent to negotiate and execute the contract. He informed the Board that the school district will spend around \$2 million from ESSER funds and an additional \$300,000 from the fund balance for the HVAC upgrades. The ranking process was rated very carefully. Ron Wheaton gave an up-to-date report on the project and explained how the new units would improve air quality.

Motion #7225 A motion was made by Trustee C. Martinez and seconded by Trustee E. Gallegos to approve the superintendent's recommendation.

Roll Call L. Garza – Absent. L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried Yes - 5 No - 0 Absent - 1 6:15 p.m.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RENEWAL OF RFP: #22-0003 FOR FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT COMPANY CONTRACT WITH SOUTHWEST FOOD SERVICE EXCELLENCE, LLC FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR, WITH OPTIONS FOR RENEWAL OF THE CONTRACT FOR THREE (3) ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR TERMS

Dr. Marc Puig recommended approving the renewal of RFP: #22-0003 for Food Service Management Company Contract with Southwest Food Service Excellence, LLC for the 2023-2023 School Year, with options for renewal of the contract for three (3) additional one-year terms. Matt Haas informed the Board that he had met

with the administration to address some of the concerns that they had over the last several months and discussed how they were going to address the concerns. He introduced Juan Vela as the new Food Service Director to the Board.

Motion #7226 A motion was made by Trustee C. Martinez and seconded by Trustee E. Gallegos to approve the superintendent's recommendation.

Roll Call L. Garza – Absent. L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried 6:33 p.m.

Yes - 5

No - 0

Absent -1

7.0 <u>CLOSED SESSION – SECTION(S) 551.074 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT</u>
CODE

PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 551.074 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE,
THE BOARD WILL ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE
OF CONSIDERTING THE APPOINTMENTS, EMPLOYMENTS,
EVALUATIONS, RESIGNATIONS, REASSIGNMENTS, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE,
OR DISMISSAL OF EMPLOYEES

Motion #7227A motion was made by Trustee B. Marroquin and seconded by Trustee C. Martinez to go into executive session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.074.

Roll Call L. Garza – Absent L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried

Yes - 5

No - 0

Absent - 1

6:34 p.m.

Motion #7228 A motion was made by Trustee B. Marroquin and seconded by Trustee C. Martinez to reconvene from the executive session.

Roll Call L. Garza – Absent, L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried

Yes - 5

No - 0

Absent -1

7:40 p.m.

8.0 **OPEN SESSION**:

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS,
EMPLOYMENTS, EVALUATIONS, RESIGNATIONS, REASSIGNMENTS,
DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF EMPLOYEES
Vice-President Larry Cantu noted that no action was needed on this item.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion #7229 A motion was made by Trustee E. Gallegos and seconded by Trustee B. Marroquin to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call L. Garza – Absent, L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried Yes - 5 No - 0 Absent -1 7:41 p.m.

(The details of this meeting are recorded on tape dated 05/23/2023, except for the executive session.)

BOARD WORKSHOP OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES JUNE 5, 2023

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Lori Ann Garza, President

Larry Cantu, Vice-President (Video Conference)

Cezar Martinez, Secretary

Bobby Marroquin, Assistant Secretary

Erik Gallegos, Trustee Mario Mesa, Trustee

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: All board members were present.

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Dr. Marc Puig, Superintendent

VISITORS: Richard Gonzalez

1.0 GENERAL FUNCTIONS

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM

At 6:00 p.m., Vice-President Larry Cantu called this meeting of the Robstown

Independent School District Board of Trustees to order.

ROLL CALL: Lori Ann Garza – Present, Larry Cantu – Present, Cezar Martinez – Present, Bobby Marroquin – Present, Erik Gallegos – Present, and Mario Mesa – Present

Present -6 Absent -0

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2.0 MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAYER

Trustee Erik Gallegos led the audience and the Board in prayer.

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/TEXAS FLAG PLEDGE

President Lori Ann Garza led the board members and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Flag Pledge.

4.0 <u>VISION – INSPIRING LIFE-LONG LEARNING BY PROVIDING</u> LIMITLESS OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUCCESS

Trustee Cezar Martinez read the following vision statement: "Inspiring Life-Long Learning by Providing Limitless Opportunities for Success."

MISSION – EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS TODAY TO PREPARE FOR TOMORROW

Trustee Mario Mesa read the following mission statement: "Empowering Individuals Today to Prepare for Tomorrow."

5.0 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no comments from the public.

6.0 GOVERNANCE

6A BOARD WORKSHOP – TEAM BUILDING (TIER 2)

Dr. Marc Puig informed the Board that the workshop this evening would give them more momentum on what they have already started. Mr. Juan Cruz conducted the Team Building Workshop and reviewed the following eight items with the Board: 1) Texas Open Meetings Act, 2) Team of 8 Training, 3) Board Operating Procedures, 4) Board Policies They Should Know About, 5) Team-Building Questions, 6) Top Legislation Affecting Public School Districts, 7) Roles and Responsibilities, and 8) Visioning and Board-Superintendent Goal Setting Process.

7.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion #7230 A motion was made by Trustee M. Mesa and seconded by Trustee B. Marroquin to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes, L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, E. Gallegos – Yes, and M. Mesa – Yes

Motion carried Yes - 6 No - 0 Absent -0 9:05 p.m.

(The details of this meeting are recorded on tape dated 06/05/23, except for the executive session.)