



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC _____ Board Minutes

SUBMITTED BY: _____ Delia C. Campos **OF:** _____ Board Secretary

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____ April 22, 2015

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the United ISD Board of Trustees take action to approve Board Meeting minutes:

Regular Board Meeting – March 25, 2015

RATIONALE:

State law requires the Board to prepare and keep minutes of its open meeting.

Govt. Code §551.021. The minutes are public records available for public inspection and copying upon request to the Superintendent or his designee. Govt. Code § 551.022.

BUDGETARY INFORMATION:

No Budget Impact

BOARD POLICY REFERENCE AND COMPLIANCE:

This is in compliance and in accordance with Board Policy BE and BE (LOCAL).

**Regular Meeting
The State of Texas
United Independent School District
The County of Webb**

March 25, 2015

In Attendance

Roberto J. Santos, Superintendent of Schools

Board of Trustees

Javier Montemayor, Jr. – President
Juan Roberto Ramirez – Vice President
Ricardo “Rick” Rodriguez – Secretary - ABSENT
Ricardo Molina, Sr. – Parliamentarian
Aliza Flores Oliveros – Member
Ramiro Veliz, III – Member
Judd Gilpin – Member

Roll Call, Establish Quorum. Call to Order

I. Pledge of Allegiance

A. Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.

II. A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of United ISD was held Wednesday, March 25, 2015, in the Bill Johnson Student Activity Complex, Fine Arts Building, 5208 Santa Claudia Lane, Laredo TX 78043. President, Javier Montemayor made an announcement calling the meeting of the United Independent School District to order at 6:04 p.m. The record showed that a quorum of Board members was present, that the meeting had been duly called, and that notice of the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

III. Board Announcements - No Board Announcements

IV. Public Comments: Comments are limited to three minutes per speaker. The Board Parliamentarian will be the timekeeper and will inform the speaker when they have one (1) remaining minute. No more than three (3) persons will be allowed to speak on any side of an issue. Should there be more than three (3) people who wish to speak on a particular issue they need to select not more than three (3) representatives to speak for them. Comments must address items listed on the agenda. The presiding officer or designee shall determine whether a person who wishes to address the Board has attempted to solve a matter administratively. If not, the person shall be directed to the appropriate policy, as noted in BED (LOCAL), to seek resolution before bringing the matter to the Board at a subsequent meeting. Pursuant to 551.042

of the Texas Government Code, no Board Member or Administrator may respond to a member of the public, unless such response is a recitation of District policy or a statement of specific factual information. When a speaker comes to the podium, please indicate what agenda item you will be addressing. Furthermore, please refrain from mentioning any employee's name and any complaint about any employee's duties or responsibilities should be channeled through the appropriate grievance policy.

V. Superintendent's Report

A. Review of LEGAL Policies in TASB Update 101

No action required

VI. Recognitions

- 1. UNTAMED ZUMBA MASTER CLASS 2015–ZUMBA INSTRUCTORS**
- 2. UNITED I.S.D. – DISTRICT WIDE SPELLING BEE WINNERS**
- 3. UNITED I.S.D. – SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS**
- 4. COLONEL SANTOS BENAVIDES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS – AMERICAN CHEER POWER NATIONALS – 3RD PLACE ELEMENTARY LARGE GROUP**
- 5. SALINAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS – NATIONAL CHAMPIONS**
 - CHEER AMERICA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS–Elementary Intermediate Division**
 - ALAMO NATIONAL CHAMPIONS – Elementary Intermediate Division**
 - CHEER POWER SOUTHERN NATIONAL CHAMPIONS – Elementary Intermediate Division**
- 6. BORCHERS ELEMENTARY CHEERLEADERS – AMERICAN CHEER**
- 7. POWER SOUTHERN NATIONALS – 2ND PLACE – ELEMENTARY DIVISION**
- 8. NYE ELEMENTARY CHEERLEADERS – 2015 CHEER WORLD ALL-ACCESS CHAMPIONSHIP – 1ST PLACE ELEMENTARY DIVISION**
- 9. UIL MS ONE ACT PLAY COMPETITION DISTRICT I**
- 10. UIL MS ONE ACT PLAY COMPETITION DISTRICT II**
- 11. LOS OBISPOS MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS – AMERICAN CHEER POWER SOUTHERN NATIONALS – 3RD PLACE NON-TUMBLING ADVANCED MIDDLE SCHOOL DIVISION**
- 12. LOS OBISPOS SILVER GEMS DANCE TEAM – JR. SOUTH PADRE ISLAND FESTIVAL – SWEEPSTAKES AWARD**
- 13. UNITED MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS**

14. **CHEER POWER CHRISTMAS OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP-1ST PLACE JV
INTERMEDIATE DIVISION**
15. **CHEER POWER SOUTHERN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP-1ST PLACE JV
INTERMEDIATE DIVISION AND GRAND CHAMPIONS**
16. **SALVADOR GARCIA MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS – AMERICAN
CHEER POWER SOUTHERN NATIONALS – 2ND PLACE**
17. **LBJ HIGH SCHOOL – MICROSOFT OFFICE SPECIALIST MASTER**
18. **NATIONAL HISPANIC SCHOLARS – 2014-2015**
 - **ALEXANDER HIGH SCHOOL**
 - **UNITED HIGH SCHOOL**
 - **UNITED SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL**
19. **2016 TXDOT AVIATION CALENDAR ART CONTEST**
20. **TMEA – TEXAS MUSIC EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION – ALL STATE BAND
AND CHOIR MEMBERS**
 - **UNITED SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL**
 - **ALEXANDER HIGH SCHOOL**
 - **UNITED HIGH SCHOOL**
 - **UNITED HIGH SCHOOL - CHOIR**
21. **LYNDON B. JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS**
22. **NCA HIGH SCHOOL NATIONALS – 2ND PLACE
AMERICAN CHEER POWER SOUTHERN NATIONALS ADVANCED NON-
TUMBLING DIVISION – 2ND PLACE**
23. **UISD SWIMMING TEAM – REGIONAL QUALIFIERS**
 - **Alexander High School**
 - **United High School**
 - **United South High School**
 - **Lyndon B. Johnson High School**
24. **UISD SWIM TEAM – STATE QUALIFIERS**
25. **REGIONAL COACH OF THE MEET**

VII. Consent Agenda Items

- A. Approval of Monthly Disbursements
- B. Approval of Tax Refunds
- C. Approval of Awarding Bids, Proposals and Qualifications

- D.** Approval of Board Travel for the Month of February 2015
- E.** Approval of Official Ballot to cast votes for Region One ESC Board of Directors for 2015
- F.** Approval of Requests from Board Members in re: Use of Board of Trustees Discretionary Funds for Various Projects/Campuses
- G.** Approval of Proposed Boundary Changes for 2015-2016 School Year
- H.** Approval of New Certification Requirement for Cooperative JOC Projects
- I.** Approval of GMP (Guaranteed Maximum Price) for Design and Construction of Elementary School No. 28 at Highway 359
- J.** Approval of GMP (Guaranteed Maximum Price) for Design and Construction of Middle School No. 10 at Highway 359
- K.** Approval of Rescinding of Procurement and Delivery Method for the Following projects: All Campuses District-Wide: Upgrade Security Camera System and Install Building Access Control at all exterior Perimeter Doors, Card Reader Locking System. Various Campuses: Replacement of Security Alarm and Public Address Systems
- L.** Approval of Early College High School (ECHS) Memorandum of Understanding between United ISD And Laredo Community College
- M.** Repeal of all Previously Adopted Policies and Adoption of (LOCAL) Policies as prepared by TASB Policy Service
- N.** Approval of Expedited and General State Waivers for the 2015-2016 School Year

Motion by: Javier Montemayor advised the Board that the Business and Instructional Committee Members had met and were recommending the approval of items A-N:

Seconded by: Ricardo Molina

Discussion:

In Favor: Unanimous

Opposed:

Abstained:

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VIII. Items for Individual Consideration

A. Board Minutes for the Month of February 2015

1. Regular Board Meeting – February 18, 2015

Motion: So moved

Motion by: Ramiro Veliz, III

Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Discussion:

In Favor: Unanimous

Opposed:

Abstained

MOTION PASSES

B. Approval of Donations

Mr. Roberto Santos read the donations into the minutes for a total of \$12,696.09.

Motion: So moved

Motion by: Ricardo Molina

Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Discussion:

In Favor: Unanimous

Opposed:

Abstained

MOTION PASSES

C. Presentation of Healthy Futures of Texas Grant on Big Decisions Curriculum for Ninth Grade Students

Mr. Mike Garza – Mr. Montemayor, Board Members, members of the audience. As part of the State mandated called the (SHAC) it the charge of the committee to be able to bring forth to the Board some recommendation on student health and activity that we have. Tonight we have two presentations that will be provided to the Board. We do anticipate a lengthy presentation at the April Board Meeting to be able to answer additional questions. There is a time crunch that we have at the end of this week to submit a grant for this funding, so the MOU is of critical nature to be able to get that approved for this week. With that being said, we want to have the first presentation provided to you by Dr. Jan Realini and she is with Healthy Futures of Texas.

Presentation is available upon request.

Juan Roberto Ramirez – Since you started this program what are the results you have obtained.

Dr. Realini – We have had very good responses from parents and students. It is very popular and fun. In the communities that are being used teen pregnancy is coming down.

Aliza Flores Oliveros - For clarification purposes what grade level is this program going to be used for.

Dr. Jan Realini - The program is for 9th grade

Aliza Flores Oliveros - For clarification purposes parents have the option to opt out of participation. This requires parental approval.

Dr. Jan Realini – absolutely – parental approved is required.

Aliza Flores Oliveros – What policy has been affected by this program.

Dr. Jan Realini – State law regarding sex education.

Aliza Flores Oliveros - For clarification purposes part of the program does advocate abstinence.

Dr. Jan Realini – this is first and foremost what we advocate.

Javier Montemayor – What is the percentage of participation? Let's say San Antonio ISD. What is the level of participation at that school and if they are not participating what has been the controversy as to why they don't participate. What kind of feedback have you gotten?

Dr. Jan Realini – Primary reason for not participating in the implementation in San Antonio is that the student did not get the piece of paper home and brought back. It has not been controversial. Of course not all parents won't want it and opt out. SAISD has gone to an opt out because they were disappointed that the child did not get the form.

Mike Garza – Critical component in this committee is that the SHAC committee is composed of parents, community members, and medical professional. These two presentations were recommended unanimously to the Board. At this moment we are only focused on the deadline for the application for the funding. A more detailed program will be presented together with the PEP Program to be able to give you the statistics on the actual numbers that we are seeing.

Steven Trautmann – the deadline to enter into the approval of the MOU is Friday. So there is a bit of a time crunch. Our law firm has not had a chance to review these MOU's, so if a motion is made I recommend that it be subject for legal review. We don't see an issue why we cannot review these documents and have them ready by Friday. This would be my recommendation.

Mike Garza - . These are MOU's that have been approved at other school districts.

Aliza Flores Oliveros – Physically, UISD would be participating via student. There will not be a financial responsibility.

Mike Garza – the way the plans are the grant will cover 99% of all the items. Obviously, facilities would be a portion that we contribute; maybe stipends will be paid to some of our staff. All the funds would be coming from these grants. Basically we did not want to lose out on the opportunity. Later on if we decide and the board has that decision to say you know what this is not for us, whatever it is we will figure out at that time.

No action required

- D. Memorandum of Understanding with Healthy Futures of Texas Grant on Big Decisions Curriculum for Ninth grade students and United Independent School District

Dr. Hector Gonzalez - City Health Dept. Dr. Gonzalez handout a presentation on the Healthy Futures of Texas Grant on Big Decisions Curriculum for Ninth grade students.

Presentation will be attached to the minutes.

Steven Trautmann – Once again we have not reviewed the MOU so it will be the same motion as the first one.

Motion: So moved

Motion by: Javier Montemayor

Seconded by: Judd Gilpin

Discussion: Javier Montemayor - Motion pending legal review

In Favor:

Opposed:

Abstained

- E. Presentation from District Administration and City of Laredo Health Department on Adolescent Health Grant for students in Grades 6-8th

No action required

- F. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between UISD, City of Laredo Health Department, Healthy Futures of Texas and the Texas Campaign for Adolescent Health Grant for students in Grades 6-8th

Motion: So moved

Motion by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Seconded by: Ricardo Molina

Discussion: Javier Montemayor - Pending legal review

In Favor:

Opposed:

Abstained

- G. First Reading of (LOCAL) Policies in TASB Update 101

No Action required on First Reading

- IX. Closed Session: Board will adjourn into closed session at 7:30 p.m. pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Act:

- A. 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney

1. Discussion re: Superintendent's Duties and Responsibilities

- B. 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney

1. Consultation with Legal Counsel regarding Board Policy FNG (LOCAL) Revisions and Legal Issues regarding same

2. Consultation with Legal Counsel regarding Retention of Special Counsel in regards to claims made by/against UISD and its employees, agent's representatives

- C. 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney

551.072 Discussion on the Purchase, Exchange, Lease or Value of Real Property Discussion of Proposals for Sale and/or Acquisition of Real Property

1. Report and possible action regarding the easement for the City of Laredo on the property described as:

TRACT I

Situated in Webb County, Texas and being THE SURFACE ONLY of a tract of land containing 19.67 acres of land, more or less, and being out of Porcion 35, Abstract 546, Miguel Diaz, Original Grantee, and Survey 2149, Abstract 594, R.H. Rains, Original Grantee, said tract being out of a 50 acre tract conveyed to Laredo Four Winds, Ltd. by Deed recorded in Volume 943, Pages 736-746, Webb County Official Public Records and out of a 70 acre tract conveyed to 4V Holdings, Ltd., by Deed recorded in Volume 1648, Pages 789-797, Webb County Official Public Records; said 19.67 acre.

TRACT II

An undivided one half (½) interest in and to property situated in Webb County, Texas and being THE SURFACE ONLY of a tract of land containing 2.96 acres, more or less, and being out of Porcion 35, Abstract 546, Miguel Diaz, Original Grantee, and Survey 2149, Abstract 594, R.H. Rains, Original Grantee, said tract being out of a 50 acre tract conveyed to Laredo Four Winds, Ltd. by Deed recorded in Volume 943, Pages 736-746, Webb County Official Public Records and out of a 70 acre tract conveyed to 4V Holdings, Ltd., by Deed recorded in Volume 1648, Pages 789-797, Webb County Official Public Records; said 2.96 acre tract.

2. Report and possible action with respect to the execution of an Amendment to Development agreement with E. G. Ranch, Ltd. with respect to improvement to E. G. Ranch Road.

D. 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney

551.074 Discussion of Personnel or to Heat Complaints against Personnel

1. Student Activity Fund Elementary Schools – Malakoff, Bonnie Garcia, Newman, Trautmann, Finley, and Zaffirini
2. Student Activity Funds Middle and High Schools – Lamar Bruni Vergara Middle and United High School
3. SHARS Medicaid
4. Police Dept. Equipment Inventory
5. Amendment to Audit Plan in regards to Campuses Climate Stud
6. Status of on-going Audits

The Board returned from Closed Session at 9:39 p.m. No action was taken in Closed Session.

- X. Reconvened from Closed Session, the Board will take appropriate action on items, if necessary, as discussed in Closed Session.

A. Action regarding Approval on First and Final Reading of Revised FNG (LOCAL)

The recommendation is to approve the First and Final Reading of Revised Policy FNG (LOCAL) with revision as discussed in closed session.

Motion:	So moved
Moved by:	Judd Gilpin
Seconded by:	Juan Roberto Ramirez
Discussion:	
In Favor:	Unanimous
Opposed:	
Abstained:	

MOTION PASSES

B. Action in regards to Amendment of Audit Plan - Campuses Climate Study

This item was tabled

Motion: So moved

Moved by: Judd Gilpin
Seconded by: Ramiro Veliz, III
Discussion:
In Favor: Unanimous
Opposed:
Abstained

C. Action regarding retention of Special Counsel in regards to claims made by/against UISD and its employees, agent's representatives

The recommendation is to approve the retention of Special Counsel Ronhold in regards to claims made by/against UISD and its employees, agent's representatives under the terms of legal engagement letter as presented.

Motion: So moved

Moved by: Juan Roberto Ramirez
Seconded by: Judd Gilpin
Discussion:
In Favor: Unanimous
Opposed:
Abstained:

MOTION PASSES

D. Report and possible action regarding the easement for the City of Laredo on the property described as:

1. TRACT I

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Pages 736-746, Webb County Official Public Records and out of a 70 acre tract conveyed to 4V Holdings, Ltd., by Deed recorded in Volume 1648, Pages 789-797, Webb County Official Public Records; said 2.96 acre tract.

The recommendation is to approve the easement for the City of Laredo on the property described as 19.67 acres of land more or less, and being out of Porcion 35, Abstract 546

Motion: So moved

Moved by: Judd Gilpin
Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez
Discussion:
In Favor: Unanimous
Opposed:
Abstained:

MOTION PASSES

- E. Report and possible action with respect to the execution of an Amendment to Development agreement with E.G. Ranch, Ltd. with respect to improvement to E.G. Ranch Road

The recommendation here is to execute and amendment to Development agreement with E.G. Ranch, Ltd. with respect to improvement to E.G. Ranch Road as presented in closed session.

Motion: So moved

Moved by: Judd Gilpin
Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez
Discussion:
In Favor: Unanimous
Opposed
Abstained: Aliza Flores Oliveros

MOTION PASSES

XI. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, the Regular Meeting of March 25, 2015 was adjourned at 9:42 pm.

Javier Montemayor – President

Ricardo “Rick” Rodriguez – Secretary