



# UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

**TOPIC** Board Minutes for the Month of April 2015

**SUBMITTED BY:** Alejandra Salinas **OF:** Board Secretary

**APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD:** May 20, 2015

**RECOMMENDATION:**

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

1. Regular Board Meeting – April 22, 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 Board Meeting  
The State of Texas  
United Independent School District  
The County of Webb

April 22, 2015

**In Attendance**

Roberto J. Santos, Superintendent of Schools

**Board of Trustees**

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

A Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of United I.S.D. was held on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 United ISD – Student Activity Complex, Fine Arts Building, 5208 Santa Claudia Lane, Laredo, TX 78043.

- I. **Roll Call, Establish Quorum, Call to Order**
  
- II. **An announcement was made by the Board President, Javier Montemayor, calling the meeting of the United Independent School District to order at 6:03 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*

*Mr. Javier Montemayor made a motion to move up Agenda Item V – Recognitions*

Motion:           So Move  
  
Moved by:        Javier Montemayor  
Seconded by:    Juan Roberto Ramirez  
Discussion:       None  
In Favor:         Unanimous

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- 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. Additionally, pursuant to board policies BED (LEGAL) and BED (LOCAL), drifting from the stated topic or becoming disruptive shall result in a warning from the board president. A second violation will result in forfeiture of your allotted time and removal from the board meeting. Disruptions include speaking on behalf of or against a person running for political office, promotion of a for-profit organization, or advertisement of products or services to the Board.**

*Wayne Nance – UMS Parent – Mr. Nance addressed the board in reference to the Orchestra Program. He stated his daughter is in the UMS Orchestra and this program has helped her with her academics and would like the board to consider adding the program at Alexander High School. Mr. Montemayor stated he had received the letter Mr. Nance had sent him and stated that there is an interest in the program and he and the rest of the board support his recommendation of including this program at Alexander High School and said they will look into that.*

*Rene De la Viña – TSTA President – Mr. De la Viña addressed the board in reference to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading TASB Update 101. He asked the board to include a non-agenda item on the public comments and stated as an example the personal leave days. He stated some bus drivers would like to get paid for the days they don't work for example when teachers have trainings. Mr. De la Viña also requested for the district to do a climate survey at the schools and mentioned he supports the MOU between UISD and LCC.*

## **V. Recognitions**

- A. UNITED ISD ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT – GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION (G.F.O.A.) DISTINGUISHED BUDGET PRESENTATION AWARD
- B. UNITED ISD COMMUNICATIONS / PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT – TSPRA AWARDS
- C. UNITED ISD INSTRUCTIONSL TELEVISION DEPARTMENT – TSPRA AWARDS
- D. 2015 SCRIPPS REGIONAL FINAL SPELLING BEE WINNER
- E. UISD MATH BEE WINNERS
- F. UISD READING FAIR WINNERS
- G. SKILLS USA DISTRICT 12 COMPETITION
- H. COL. SANTOS BENAVIDES ELEMENTARY DANZERETTES – MCDA DANCE COMPETITION – FIESTA TEXAS
- I. ANTONIO GONZALEZ MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS – AMERICAN CHEER POWER SOUTHERN NATIONAL CHAMPIONS – NATIONAL CHAMPIONS (NON-TUMBLING ADVANCED DIVISION) – SHOWMANSHIP AWARD

- J. WASHINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL SPARKLERS DANCE TEAM – MCDA SIX FLAGS FIESTA TEXAS – CHEER AND DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP RING WINNERS – 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE JAZZ, HIP HOP, KICK BEST KICKS
- K. TRAUTMANN MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS – NCA NATIONAL CHEERLEADING COMPETITION – 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE, CHEER POWER SOUTHERN NATIONALS – 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE
- L. TRAUTMANN MIDDLE SCHOOL LASSOS – AMERICAN DANCE/DRILL TEAM COMPETITION – SR. SOUTH PADRE ISLAND DANCE FESTIVAL – BEST OF THE BEST TEAM, ALAMO DANCE CLASSIC – BEST OVERALL PRESENTATION AND CHOREOGRAPHY, MA DANCE NATIONALS – NATIONAL CHAMPIONS
- M. UNITED MIDDLE SCHOOL MAVERETTES – NDA HIGH SCHOOL NATIONALS – NATIONAL WINNER FROM JH DIVISION
- N. UNITED HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS – UCA TEXAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP – 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE
- O. UNITED SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS – NCA SR. & JR. HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADING NATIONALS – NATIONAL CHAMPIONS
- P. UNITED SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL SILVER STEPPERS – SHOWTIME INTERNATIONAL DANCE NATIONALS – 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE HIP HOP – NATIONAL CHAMPIONS
- Q. LYNDON B. JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL DREAM CATCHERS – SHOWTIME INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION – NATIONAL GRAND CHAMPIONS
- R. UNITED SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL LADY PANTHERS – DISTRICT CO-CHAMPIONS AND REGIONAL SEMI-FINALISTS
- S. UNITED SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL – DISTRICT 29-6A CO-CHAMPIONS
- T. UNITED SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL POWERLIFTING TEAM – TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL POWERLIFTING CHAMPIONSHIP – 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE
- U. UNITED HIGH SCHOOL LADY LONGHORNS – BI-DISTRICT CHAMPIONS AND AREA FINALISTS
- V. UNITED HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL – DISTRICT CO-CHAMPIONS REGIONAL QUARTERFINALIST
- W. UNITED HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOCCER
- X. LYNDON B. JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SOCCER
- Y. ALEXANDER HIGH SCHOOL – IRS CERTIFICATION – BASIC, ADVANCE, MILITARY AND INTERNATIONAL TAX PREPARATION
- Z. ALEXANDER HIGH SCHOOL LADY BULLDOGS – CO-DISTRICT CHAMPIONS AND REGIONAL SEMI FINALISTS
- AA. ALEXANDER HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL – REGIONAL FINALIST – ELITE 8

## VI. Consent Agenda Items

- A. Approval of Monthly Disbursements
- B. Approval of Tax Refunds
- C. Approval of District Paid Life Insurance Program
- D. Approval of An Order Authorizing the Issuance of United Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2015; Entering into an Escrow Agreement, A Bond Purchase Agreement, and a Paying/Registrar Agreement; Delegating to certain District Administrative Staff and Officials the Authority to Approve all Final Terms of the Bonds; and Other Matters Related Thereto
- E. Approval of Awarding Bids, Proposals and Qualifications
- F. Approval of GMP (Guaranteed Maximum Price) for Additions and Improvements at Arndt Elementary School
- G. Approval of GMP (Guaranteed Maximum Price) for Additions at Food Service Production Center
- H. Discuss and Possible Action to approve the rescission of board action of February 25, 2015, with respect to section IV of RFP 2014-109, Network Equipment for Eight (8) District Campuses
- I. Approval of request for Competitive Sealed Proposals (CSP) as the solicitation method of procurement for Clark Middle School New Wastewater Line Construction project
- J. Approval of request for Competitive Sealed Proposals (CSP) as the solicitation method of procurement for Construction of a New Public Street and Utilities East of Alexander High School Property and Extension of Mayela Drive Southeast of Alexander High School Property
- K. Approval of Sale of Salvage Equipment
- L. Proposed Boundary Changes for 2015-2016 School Year
- M. Approval of Employment Contracts, Addendums, Letters of Assurance for 2015-2016 School/Work Year
- N. Approval of Requests from Board Members in re: Use of Board of Trustees Discretionary Funds for Various Projects/Campuses
- O. Approval of Revision to EIE (LOCAL) on Student Promotion for the 2015-2016 School Year
- P. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding for Middle School Externships
- Q. Approval of Revisions to 2015-2016 Mobile Learning Devices (MLD) Rollout Plan
- R. Approval of Including the Advanced Placement Tests from College Board as a Credit by Exam for Acceleration
- S. Second Reading of LOCAL Policies in TASB Update 101

*Mr. Javier Montemayor asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items VI-A thru VI-S as presented*

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Ricardo Molina  
Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez  
Discussion: None  
In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

**VII. Items for Individual Consideration**

A. Approval of Board Minutes for the Month of March 2015.

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Ricardo Molina  
Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez  
Discussion: None  
In Favor: Unanimous

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B. Approval of Donations

*Mr. Roberto Santos read the donations into the minutes and requested that the board accept the donations totaling \$7,059.97*

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Ricardo Rodriguez  
Seconded by: Ricardo Molina  
Discussion: None  
In Favor: Unanimous

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C. Approval of Board Travel for the Month of May 2015-05-14

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Juan Roberto Ramirez  
Seconded by: Ricardo Molina  
Discussion: None  
In Favor: Unanimous

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**VIII. Closed Session: Board will adjourn into closed session pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Act**

*The Board adjourned into closed session at 7:21 p.m.*

A. 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney

1. Consultation with legal counsel regarding MOU with City of Laredo Natatorium Project

B. 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney

551.074 Discussion of Personnel or to Hear Complaints against Personnel

1. Conduct Annual Evaluation of Internal Auditor & Consider Contract Extension
2. Discussion re: Superintendent's Duties and Responsibilities
3. Level Three (3) Grievance of Maria Ostiguin
4. Level Three (3) Grievance of Student/Parent Complaint S.R.

C. 551.074 Discussion of Personnel or to Hear Complaints against Personnel

551.076 Considering the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel or devices

1. Kronos Time Management
2. Criminal History Record Information
3. District Copier Lease
4. Status of On-going Audits

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

*The Board reconvened from Closed Session at 8:58 p.m.*

A. Approve Annual Evaluation of Internal Auditor

*Mr. Juan Cruz stated that his recommendation is to approve the Annual Evaluation of the internal Auditor as discussed in closed session.*

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Ricardo Molina

Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

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B. Approve Contract Extension for Internal Auditor

*Mr. Juan Cruz stated no action is necessary because the Internal Auditor still has two years left on current contract*

C. Action regarding Level (3) Grievance of Maria Ostiguin

*Mr. Juan Cruz stated there no action was necessary on this item because the grievance was withdrawn*

D. Action in re: Level (3) Grievance of Student/Parent Complaint S.R.

*Mr. Judd Gilpin's recommendation was to grant the remedies sought by S.R. with limitations discussed in closed session.*

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Judd Gilpin

Seconded by: Ricardo Molina

Discussion: None

In Favor: Judd Gilpin, Ricardo Molina, Javier Montemayor, Juan Roberto Ramirez, Ricardo Rodriguez, Ramiro Veliz, III

Abstain: Aliza Flores Oliveros

MOTION PASSES

X. **Adjournment**

**There being no further business before the Board of Trustees, the Regular Meeting of April 22, 2015, was adjourned at 8:59 p.m.**

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Ricardo Molina

Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

Abstain: Aliza Flores Oliveros

MEETING ADJOURNED

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Javier Montemayor, President

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Ricardo "Rick" Rodriguez, Secretary