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## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES EAGLE PASS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Board of Trustees of the Eagle Pass Independent School District held a Regular Board Meeting on June 09, 2015, at 6:00 P.M. at De Luna Center, located at 649 Webster Street, Eagle Pass, TX 78852.

## **Board Members Present:**

Mr. Ignacio J. Saucedo, President Ms. Glenna Purcell, Vice President Ms. Lupita Fuentes, Secretary Dr. Hector Alvarez, Trustee Mrs. Hilda P. Martinez, Trustee Mr. Humberto Torralba Jr., Trustee Mr. Rudy Bowles, Trustee

Superintendent of Schools: Mr. Gilberto Gonzalez

Attorney: Mr. Richard Strieber, Law Firm of Escamilla & Poneck, LLP

Staff Members and Visitors Present: The sign-in sheet hereby becomes a part of these minutes.

- I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Board President Ignacio J. Saucedo called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Superintendent Gilberto Gonzalez led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION/RECOGNITIONS: No one signed up for Citizen's Communication.
  - Recognition of Eagle Pass High School Varsity Girls' Softball Team for their District Championship and advancement to the Fourth Round of Playoffs. Melissa Gratkowski, Public Information Officer made the presentation as the Girls' Varsity softball team was crowned District Champions. A group picture was taken with the Board of Trustees and the Superintendent.
  - Recognition of Eagle Pass High School Student Ty Chisum for being a two times State Qualifier in Track & Field. Melissa Gratkowski, Public Information Officer made the presentation as Ty Chisum was recognized as the two-time State Qualifier in Track & Field. A group picture was taken with the Board of Trustees and the Superintendent.
  - 3. Recognition of Eagle Pass High School Student Hugo Garcia for being selected to the District 29-6A All-Academic Soccer Team. Melissa Gratkowski, Public Information Officer made the presentation of Hugo Garcia who was selected for the District 29-6A All Academic Soccer Team. A group picture was taken with the Board of Trustees and the Superintendent.

## IV. DISTRICT REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS:

- Presentation on Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2015. David Gonzalez, Attorney, Estrada Hinojosa & Co., Inc. addressed the Board and Superintendent to discuss the Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series, 2015. Attorney Gonzalez, presented the following: The Proposed Financing Team as the Eagle Pass ISD being the *Issuer*, Estrada Hinojosa & Co., Inc. being the *Financial Advisor*, and Escamilla & Poneck PC, being the *Bond Counsel*. Mr. Gonzalez also named the Underwriters, Underwriters Counsel, Rating Agency, Bond Insurance, Paying Agent and the Verification Agent. Also presented was the Sources and Uses of Funds, Refunding Summary, Eligible Bonds to be Refunded, Savings Summary, and the Credit & Rating Enhancements. No guestions from the Board.
- 2. Financial Report. No questions.
- 3. Utility Report. No questions.
- 4. Tax Collection Report. No questions.
- 5. Presentation of results from the House Bill 5 School District Evaluation of Performance in Community and Student Engagement. Mr. David Camarillo, Instructional Services Administrator, made a brief presentation to the Board and Superintendent in reference to the School District Evaluation of Performance in Community & Student Engagement. Mr. Camarillo reviewed the changes... the number of EOC's from 15 to 5, new graduation plans, and the creation of the Community and Student Engagement Accountability Rating (TEC 39.0545)

Section 46 of HB5) TEC 39.0545 requires each district to evaluate the district's performance and the performance of each campus in the district on community and student engagement and one in policy compliance. In addition, every district is to assign itself and each campus a rating of exemplary, recognized, acceptable, or unacceptable for both overall performance and each evaluation category. Districts must submit rating to TEA and make publically available August 8 of each year. **Board Members questions and concerns were addressed.** 

- V. ACTION:
- 1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to amend the Capital Projects Budget. Motion by Trustee Bowles second by Trustee Fuentes to amend Capital Projects Budget. Granted 7/0. Davis Powell, Architect briefly reviewed what the project entails.
- Consider and take appropriate action on the request to award Sealed Proposal No. 150405 on roof ventilation system for the crawl space under the foundation at Eagle Pass High School and the Board delegates the Superintendent or Designee the authority to make related budgeted purchases of goods or services as per Board Policy CH. Motion by Trustee Torralba Jr. second by Trustee Bowles to award Sealed Proposal No 150405. Granted 7/0. Davis Powell, Architect addressed questions and concerns.
- Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve consultant contracts for staff development for administrators, teachers, and other classified staff for school year 2015-2016. Motion by Trustee Fuentes second by Trustee Martinez to approve consultant contracts. Granted 7/0. Samuel Mijares, Deputy Supt. for C & I addressed board member (s) questions and concerns.
- 4. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the naming of the baseball field located at the Eagle Pass ISD Student Activity Center to Polo Moncada Baseball Stadium. Motion by Trustee Bowles second by Trustee Fuentes to approve the naming of the baseball field at the SAC. Motion carries 6/1-Purcell. (Trustee Purcell comments: still feels the same way, as the first time when it was brought to the Board... the fields really should not be named.)
- VI. CONSENT:

It was the Consensus of the Board to consider item 1 in One Motion. Motion by Trustee Bowles second by Trustee Torralba Jr. Granted 7/0.

- 1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve Minutes of the March 19, 2015, (Workshop) April 14, 2015, (Regular), April 30, 2015, (Special), and May 12, 2015, (Regular) Board Meetings. Item previously considered.
- VII. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, 551.083, and 551.084, Texas Government Code:

The Board adjourned into Closed Session at 6:51 P.M. Pursuant to Section §551.071, §551.072, §551.074, §551.076, §551.082, §551.083, and §551.084 of the Texas Government Code. Motion by Trustee Torralba Jr. second by Trustee Bowles. Granted 7/0.

- 1. The Board will discuss the request to hire personnel to fill vacancies pursuant to TGC 551.074.
- 2. The Board will consult with its attorney regarding Eagle Pass ISD vs. Monsa LTD. TGC 551.071.
- 3. The Board will consult with its attorney regarding classified employees possibly serving as coaches for District sports teams.
- 4. The Board will consult with its attorney regarding legal issues relating to Kilowatt Drive. TGC 551.071.
- 5. The Board will discuss the request to hire a professional employee to serve as PEP Daycare Coordinator subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent.
- 6. The Board will deliberate on the duties of Board Officers and consult with its attorney regarding same. TGC 551.074 and TGC 551.071.
- VIII. OPEN SESSION: The Meeting Reconvened at 9:26 P.M.

- 1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to hire personnel to fill vacancies pursuant to TGC 551.074. Motion by Trustee Torralba Jr. second by Trustee Fuentes to approve to hire personnel to fill vacancies as discussed in Closed Session. Granted 7/0.
- Discussion and possible action regarding Eagle Pass ISD vs. Monsa LTD. Motion by Trustee Purcell second by Trustee Torralba Jr. to take action regarding Eagle Pass ISD vs. Monsa LTD as discussed in Closed Session. Granted 7/0.
- Consider and possible action to permit classified employees to serve as coaches for District Sports Teams. Motion by Trustee Purcell second by Trustee Fuentes to <u>NOT permit</u> classified employees to serve as coaches at this time due to restrictions imposed by the United States Fair Labor Standards Act. Granted 7/0.
- Consider and possible action regarding Kilowatt Drive. Motion by Trustee Martinez second by Trustee Bowles to approve the action regarding Kilowatt Drive as discussed in Closed Session. Granted 7/0.
- 5. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to hire a professional employee to serve as PEP Daycare Coordinator subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent. Motion by Trustee Torralba Jr. second by Trustee Bowles to hire Lizzet Jimenez as a professional employee to serve as PEP Daycare Coordinator subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent. Granted 7/0. (Trustee Alvarez comments: Need to revise the current responsibilities and duties of the PEP Coordinator position, which are either outdated or just, have not been revised to affectively assess future candidates for this position).
- 6. Discussion and possible action to reorganize the Board of Trustees. Motion by Trustee Bowles second by Trustee Alvarez that the Board be reorganized. Motion carries 4-Yays (Fuentes, Martinez, Bowles, Alvarez)/2-Nays (Saucedo/Purcell)/1-Abstain (Torralba Ir.) (Trustee Saucedo comments: Respects the wishes of the Board but will not be supporting this particular item, does not feel its being done in the right pretenses...)

Mr. Richard Strieber, Attorney, stated that a motion is needed to elect new officers as the reorganization of the Board has been approved. Elections could be done electing each officer individually, or as a group. It is up to the Board how the motion will be made.

Motion by Trustee Bowles second by Trustee Alvarez to elect Lupita Fuentes as President, Hilda P. Martinez as Vice President and Hector Alvarez as Secretary. Motion carries 5-Yays (Fuentes, Martinez, Purcell, Bowles, Alvarez)/1-Nay (Saucedo)/1-Abstain (Torralba Jr.) \*\*NOTE\*\* Trustee Torralba Jr. advised Mrs. Capetillo, School Board Secretary that he would like to note for the record that he was on behalf of the motion in the election of the officers as stated and not intended to abstain.

- IX. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION: Board President Fuentes now continues with Correspondence & Information. Superintendent Gonzalez announces the Retirement Banquet taking place Wednesday, June 10, 2015, at 7:00 P.M. at the SAC, and the Summer Leadership Conference will be held in San Antonio, TX June 11-13, 2015.
- X. ADJOURNMENT:

There, being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:36 P.M. Motion by Trustee Torralba Jr., second by Trustee Saucedo. Granted 7/0.

WE AFFIRM THAT THESE MINUTES ARE OFFICIAL, COMPLETE, AND CORRECT.

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