



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC Board Minutes

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

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: December 19, 2012

RECOMMENDATION:

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

Public Hearing – November 15, 2012
Special Called Meeting – November 15, 2012
Regular Board Meeting - November 28, 2012

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).

Public Hearing
The State of Texas
United Independent School District
The County of Webb

November 15, 2012

In Attendance

Roberto J. Santos, Superintendent of Schools

Board of Trustees

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

A Public Hearing on Schools FIRST, Financial Accountability Rating System of the Board of Trustees of United I.S.D. was held on Thursday, November 15, 2012, beginning at 6:10 p.m. in the United ISD – Bill Johnson Student Activity Complex, Fine Arts Building, Room #1, 5208 Santa Claudia Lane, Laredo, TX 78043.

I. Roll Call, Establish Quorum, Call to Order

II. Announcement by the Board President calling this Public Meeting of the United Independent School District to order. Let the record show that a quorum of board members is present, that this meeting has been duly called, and that notice of this Public Meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Mr. Judd Gilpin called the Public Hearing to order at 6:58 p.m.

III. Overview of Schools FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas)

Mr. Eddie Zuñiga addressed the board and presented the results of the overview by the state of the Schools FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas). He stated there are four different ratings that the district can receive. They are: Superior Achievement, Above Standard Achievement, Standard Achievement and Substandard Achievement. He explained that there are 20 indicators that the state looks at when rating the district. The first six are Critical Indicators and if the district answers no to any of these six indicators it's an automatic Substandard Achievement rating. Mr. Zuniga announced that UISD has received Superior Achievement for the 10th straight year and continued to explain the twenty indicators. The information presented by Mr. Zuñiga is included as part of the minutes.

IV. Public Comments on the Report

Mr. Judd Gilpin thanked staff for the great work they do in keeping the district in good standing on our finances and is especially grateful considering what the district has been through in the last couple of years.

V. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Trustees, the Public Hearing of November 15, 2012 was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Mr. Javier Montemayor made a motion to adjourn.

Motion:	So move
Moved by:	Javier Montemayor
Seconded by:	Ricardo Rodriguez
Discussion:	None
In Favor:	Unanimous

Judd Gilpin, President

Ricardo "Rick" Rodriguez, Secretary

Special Called Meeting
The State of Texas
United Independent School District
The County of Webb

November 15, 2012

In Attendance

Roberto J. Santos, Superintendent of Schools

Board of Trustees

Judd Gilpin – President – PRESENT

Juan Roberto Ramirez – PRESENT

Ricardo "Rick" Rodriguez – Secretary – PRESENT

Ricardo Molina, Sr. – Parliamentarian – PRESENT

Pat Campos – Member – ABSENT

Javier Montemayor – Member – PRESENT

Ramiro Veliz, III – Member – PRESENT – after his statement of elected officer

A Special Called Meeting of the Board of Trustees of United I.S.D. was held on Thursday, November 15, 2012, at 6:00 PM at the Bill Johnson Student Activity Complex, Fine Arts Building, Room #1, 5208 Santa Claudia Lane, Laredo, TX 78043.

I. Roll Call, Establish Quorum, Call to Order

II. An announcement was made by the Board President, calling the meeting of the United Independent School District to order. The record showed that a quorum of Board members was present, that the meeting has been duly called, and that notice of the meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Mr. Judd Gilpin called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

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

IV. Action Items:

A. Order Canvassing the November 6, 2012 Trustee Election Results

Orden de solicitud de votos de los resultados electorales para miembro de la mesa directiva del 6 de noviembre de 2012

Ms. Norma Farabough canvassed the votes and gave a reading of the districts and the votes that were cast for each of the districts. A copy of the canvassing of the votes is attached as part of the board minutes.

The board members elected are as follows: For District 1, Mr. Ricardo Molina was elected as board member, for District 2, Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez was elected as board member, for district 4, Mr. Ramiro Veliz, III was elected as board member and for District 7, Mr. Judd Gilpin was elected as board member.

Ms. Farabough asked for a motion from the board to accept the canvassing of the votes.

Motion: So move
Moved by: Javier Montemayor
Seconded by: Ricardo Molina
Discussion: None
In Favor: Unanimous

B. Statement of Elected Officers
Declaración de los oficiales electos

Judge Juan Caballero administered the statement of elected officer for Mr. Ricardo Molina
Judge Ramiro Veliz, Jr. administered the statement of elected officer for Mr. Ramiro Veliz, III and for Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez
Judge Oscar Martinez administered the statement of elected officer for Mr. Judd Gilpin

C. Administer Oaths of Office and Present Certificates of Election
Tomas de juramento de cargo y presentación de los certificados de elección

Mr. Roberto Santos presented the certificates of election to the newly elected board members and the oaths of office were administered as follows:

Judge Juan Caballero administered the oath of office for Mr. Ricardo Molina
Judge Ramiro Veliz, Jr. administered the oath of office for Mr. Ramiro Veliz, III and for Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez
Judge Oscar Martinez administered the statement of elected officer for Mr. Judd Gilpin

D. Election of Officers
Elección de oficiales

Mr. Javier Montemayor recommended that the board officers be as follows: Mr. Ricardo Molina, Sr. continue as Parliamentarian, Ricardo "Rick" Rodriguez continue as Secretary, Juan Roberto Ramirez continue as Vice-President, and Mr. Judd Gilpin continue as President of the Board.

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

E. Appointment of Instructional/Business/Budget/Student Transfer Appeals/Student Expulsion Appeals and Standardized Dress Exemption Committee Chairs and Members by Board President
Nombramiento de los presidentes y miembros del comite de enseñanza/administración/presupuesto/apelaciones de cambios de escuela de estudiantes/apelaciones de expulsión de estudiantes y extención de uniforme por el presidente de la mesa directiva

Mr. Gilpin appointed committee chairs and members.
A list of appointed committees is included as part of the minutes.

V. Adjournment

Motion:	So move
Moved by:	Javier Montemayor
Seconded by:	Ricardo Rodriguez
Discussion:	None
In Favor:	Unanimous

There being no further business before the Board of Trustees, the Special Called Meeting of November 15, 2012 was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Judd Gilpin, President

Ricardo "Rick" Rodriguez, Secretary

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

November 28, 2012

In Attendance

Roberto J. Santos, Superintendent of Schools

Board of Trustees

Judd Gilpin – President – PRESENT
Juan Roberto Ramirez – Vice President – PRESENT
Ricardo “Rick” Rodriguez – Secretary – PRESENT
Ricardo Molina, Sr. – Parliamentarian – PRESENT
Pat Campos – Member – PRESENT
Javier Montemayor, Jr. – Member – ABSENT
Ramiro Veliz, III – Member – PRESENT

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 on Wednesday, November 28, 2012, in the Bill Johnson Student Activity Complex, Fine Arts Building, 5208 Santa Claudia Lane, Laredo TX 78043. President, Judd Gilpin made an announcement calling the meeting of the United Independent School District to order at **6:05 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. 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.

Mr. Rene de la Viña addressed the board stated that on behalf of Laredo / United TSTA he wanted to congratulate the new board member and welcomed back all the other board members and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

IV. Recognitions

A. USD Board of Trustees Recognition

Mr. Juan A. Molina was presented a plaque and was recognized for the eight years of service he dedicated to the District. Mr. Molina addressed the board and thanked them and Mr. Santos for all their support.

B. Area G-5A UIL Marching Band Contest

Mrs. Gloria Rendon and the Fine Arts Department were recognized for their hard work and outstanding job at the 2012 Area G-5A Marching Band Contest.

V. Consent Agenda Items

A. Approval of Monthly Disbursements

B. Approval of Awarding Bids, Proposals and Qualifications

C. Approval of Requests from Board Members re: Use of Board of Trustees Discretionary Funds for Various Projects/Campuses

D. Approval of Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals (CSP) as the solicitation method of procurement for the Construction of Road Extension and Utilities Extension at Las Blancas Property and rescission of previous solicitation method recommendation for said project

E. Approval of Interlocal Government Agreement between United ISD and Webb County

F. Approval of the Improvement Plans (IP) and Corrective Action Plan

G. Approval of District Improvement Plan/Campus Improvement Plans for the 2012-2013 School Year

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez advised the Board that the Business/Instructional Committee Members had met on November 15, 2012 and were recommending the approval of Items V-A through V-G.

Motion:	So Move
Moved by:	Ricardo Rodriguez
Seconded by:	Ricardo Molina
Discussion:	None
In Favor:	Unanimous
Opposed:	None

VI. Items for Individual Consideration

A. Board Minutes for the Month of October 2012

Motion: So move
Moved by: Juan Roberto Ramirez
Seconded by: Ricardo Molina
Discussion: None
In Favor: Unanimous
Opposed: None

B. Donations

Mr. Santos read the donations into the minutes and requested that the Board accept the generous donations to UISD totaling \$9,844.45

Motion: So move
Moved by: Pat Campos
Seconded by: Ricardo Molina
Discussion: None
In Favor: Unanimous
Opposed: None

C. Approval of 2013-2014 District School Calendar

Mr. Santos addressed the board and stated the recommendation is to adopt option II.

Motion: So move
Moved by: Pat Campos
Seconded by: Ricardo Molina
Discussion: None
In Favor: Unanimous
Opposed: None

VII. Closed Session: Board will adjourn into closed session at **6:25 p.m.** pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Act:

- A. 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney
551.074 Discussion of Personnel or to Hear Complaints against Personnel
 - 1. Consider Appointment for Principal of Centeno Elementary
- B. 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. Alexander High School Student Activity Fund
2. United South High School Student Activity Fund
3. After School Adventures Program Audit
4. Vehicle Maintenance Audit
5. Status of on-going Audits

VIII. Reconvened from Closed Session at **8:02 p.m.**, the Board will take appropriate action on items, if necessary, as discussed in Closed Session.

A. Appointment of Principal for Centeno Elementary

Mr. Roberto Santos addressed the board and stated his recommendation for Principal of Centeno Elementary School is Laura de los Santos

IX. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, the Regular Meeting of November 28, 2012, was adjourned at **8:02 p.m.**

Motion:	So move
Moved by:	Pat Campos
Seconded by:	Juan Roberto Ramirez
Discussion:	None
In Favor:	Unanimous
Opposed:	None

Judd Gilpin – President

Ricardo “Rick” Rodriguez – Secretary