



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC: Approval of Board Minutes for the Month of April 2016

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

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____

DATE ASSIGNED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: May 18, 2016

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the United ISD Board of Trustees approve the following Board meeting minutes:

1. Special Called Meeting – April 13, 2016

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 its 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)

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

April 13, 2016

In Attendance

Roberto J. Santos
Superintendent of Schools

Board of Trustees

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

A Special Called Meeting of the Board of Trustees of United I.S.D. was held on Wednesday, April 13, 2016, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the United ISD Boardroom, 201 Lindenwood Dr., Laredo, TX 78045.

I. Roll Call, Establish Quorum, Call to Order

II. An announcement was made by the Board President, Ricardo Rodriguez, calling the meeting of the United Independent School District to order at 6:00 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. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Closed Session: Board will adjourn into closed session 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. Hearing of Level Three grievance filed by R.R./M.R., including address any outstanding motions/ objections/ notices and matters related thereto of the following:

- March 4, 2015, Level Three Grievance
- March 26, 2015, Level Three Grievance
- April 10, 2015, Level Three Grievance
- June 24, 2015, Level Three Grievance
- Consolidated July 9, 2015 and July 16, 2015 Level Three Grievances
- September 15, 2015, Level Three Grievance
- September 23, 2015, Level Three Grievance

2. Hearing of Level Three grievance filed by V.V./C.V., including address any outstanding motions/ objections/ notices and matters related thereto of the following:

- March 4, 2015, Level Three grievance

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- March 26, 2015, Level Three grievance
- Consolidated March 31, 2015 and September 8, 2015 Level Three grievances
- Consolidated July 9, 2015 and July 16, 2015 Level Three grievances
- September 21, 2015, Level Three grievance

The Board adjourned into Closed Session at 6:03 p.m pursuant to sections 551.071 and 551.074 of the Texas Government code to discuss item IV-(A).

Mr. Ron Rodriguez requested not to convene into closed session.

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez stated that this was a Special Called Meeting and we do not have any public comments.

Mr. Ron Rodriguez requested to recuse Mr. Javier Montemayor and Ms. Aliza Flores. Mrs. Mari Rodriguez stated for the record that they want to recuse Miss Aliza and Javier Montemayor. Mr. Ron Rodriguez stated this was a violation of the Texas Open Meetings Act. Mrs. Mari Rodriguez stated that they are objecting to this closed meeting. Mrs. Mari Rodriguez said "she's laughing? The board member is laughing at the parents? We're calling the media." Mrs. Christina Villarreal stated, "Wow."

V. 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 6:12 p.m.

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez asked if there was a motion regarding outstanding and filed motions to recuse, notice of violations of the open meetings act, for the act and demand of live presentation, objection to incomplete local record and objections to ex post facto change grievance policy and request live presentation.

Mr. Juan Cruz stated the recommendation was to deny the motion to recuse, the outstanding and filed motions to recuse as they are impartial parties to these grievance proceedings. The recommendation is to deny the grievant's objections to incomplete local record as all documents they claim to be missing are either included in the local record, do not exist or not part of the local record or the grievant was not a party to the grievance filed in reference in the grievant's objection and further recommend to deny the grievant's alleged violation of the open meetings act and demand for live presentation in closed session and further recommend to deny the grievant's objection to ex post facto change in grievance policies and request for live presentation.

Mr. Judd Gilpin made a motion to support staff's recommendation

Motion:	So Move
Moved by:	Judd Gilpin
Seconded by:	Juan Roberto Ramirez
Discussion:	None
In Favor:	Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

Mr. Ron Rodriguez requested to address the board and claimed he had a right to be heard. Mr. Ron Rodriguez told Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez that he was only doing what his lawyer was telling him to do.

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez announced that the time was 6:15 pm and the board will go back into closed session to discuss item IV-A pursuant to sections 551.071 and 551.074 of the Texas Government Code.

The board reconvened from Closed Session at 6:45 p.m.

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez announced that there will be no interruptions and that this was a special called meeting.

Mr. Ron Rodriguez interrupted Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez and stated that he had the right to be heard and they have the right to recuse. He said the board has an ambulance chaser and another one that was partying.

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez requested that a police officer come up to the front. He addressed Mr. Ron Rodriguez and stated that this was a closed special called meeting and if there are any disruptions in this meeting the officer will have to escort anybody that disrupts this meeting. He again stated that this is a special called meeting and there are no public comments.

Mr. Ron Rodriguez stated that this was not a public comment. Mrs. Mari Rodriguez stated they are the parties to the grievances.

Mr. Ron Rodriguez stated that if they are going to allow Mr. Cruz to talk then certainly he can have an opportunity to respond.

Mrs. Christina Villarreal stated they are the parties not the public.

Mr. Ron Rodriguez stated that this was not a joke or a kangaroo court and apparently you have people that are(inaudible)

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez asked the officer to escort Mr. Ron Rodriguez out.

Mrs. Christina Villarreal stated they are parties to this.

Mr. Ron Rodriguez stated he had a right to be here.

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez apologized to Mr. Ron Rodriguez and stated he had been told.

Mrs. Mari Rodriguez interrupted Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez and she stated that she was going to speak as a parent and commented that Ms. Aliza Flores was partying in Las Vegas getting drunk with the grievant, the principal and that Mr. Montemayor was an ambulance chaser. While making these comments, Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez was trying to speak but was continuously interrupted by Mrs. Mari Rodriguez.

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez stated that he could not let anyone speak at this time. He announced to go ahead and continue with the meeting.

Mrs. Mari Rodriguez stated that they will take it up in Austin with the commissioner. Mr. Ron Rodriguez was trying to speak but Mrs. Mari Rodriguez stated "let's go."

Mrs. Christina Villarreal asked if they were not all professionals.

Mr. Ron Rodriguez addressed Mr. Judd Gilpin and stated you are not the board president. Mr. Judd Gilpin stated he had already been directed to stop speaking.

Mr. Ron Rodriguez asked if he could stay and that he is being deprived the right to speak. Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez stated he had already made a directive order and he could not back down on his decision.

Mrs. Mari Rodriguez stated numerous times "let's go." Mr. Ron Rodriguez stated this was a joke that this whole proceeding was a joke.

Mrs. Mari Rodriguez addressed Mr. Javier Montemayor and told him he was an embarrassment to the State Bar of Texas and did not deserve to be here. She then addressed Ms. Aliza Flores Oliveros and told her she did not deserve to be a member of this board.

A. Action re: Level III Grievance filed by R.R./M.R., including address any outstanding motions/ objections/ notices and matters related thereto.

In regards to the grievance filed by RR/MR on or about March 4, 2015, Ms. Aliza Flores Oliveros made a motion to grant remedy 8, deny remedy 9 as the district allows parents access to grievance procedures as required by Texas Education Code 26.011, deny remedy 10 as the district has adopted anti-bullying policies and procedures required by Texas Education Code 37.0832C and deny remedies 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, and 10 as presented in closed session.

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Seconded by: Judd Gilpin

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez asked for a motion regarding March 26th.

In regards to the grievance filed by RR/MR on or about March 26, 2015, Ms. Aliza Flores Oliveros made a motion to grant remedy 5, deny remedy 6 as the district allows parents access to grievance procedures as required by Texas Education Code 26.011, deny remedy 7 as the district has adopted anti-bullying policies and procedures required by Texas Education Code 37.0832C and deny remedies 1, 2, 3, and 4 as presented in closed session.

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Seconded by: Judd Gilpin

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez asked for April 10th.

In regards to the grievance filed by RR/MR on or about April 10, 2015, Ms. Aliza Flores Oliveros made a motion to grant remedy 3, deny remedy 4, as the district allows parents access to grievance procedures as required by Texas Education Code 26.011, deny remedy 5 as the district has adopted anti-bullying policies and procedures required by Texas Education Code 37.0832C and deny remedies 1, and 2 as presented in closed session.

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Seconded by: Judd Gilpin

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez asked for June 24th.

In regards to the grievance filed by RR/MR on or about June 24, 2015, Ms. Aliza Flores Oliveros made a motion to grant remedy 2, deny remedy 1, deny remedy 3 as the district allows parents access to grievance procedures as required by Texas Education Code 26.011, and deny remedy 4 as the district has adopted anti-bullying policies and procedures required by Texas Education Code 37.0832C as presented in closed session.

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Aliza Flores Oliveros

Seconded by: Judd Gilpin

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez asked for July 9th and 16th.

In regards to the consolidated grievances filed by RR/MR on or about July 9, 2015 and July 16, 2015, Ms. Aliza Flores Oliveros made a motion to grant remedy 2, deny remedy 3 as the district allows parents access to grievance procedures as required by Texas Education Code 26.011A, deny remedy 4 as the district has adopted anti-bullying policies and procedures required by Texas Education Code 37.0832C and deny remedies 1, 5, 6, 7 and 8 as presented in closed session.

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Aliza Flores Oliveros

Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez asked for September 15th.

In regards to the grievances filed by RR/MR on or about September 15, 2015, Ms. Aliza Flores Oliveros made a motion to grant remedy 2, deny remedy 1, deny remedy 3 as the district allows parents access to grievance procedures as required by Texas Education Code 26.011, deny remedy 4 as the district has adopted anti-bullying policies and procedures required by Texas Education Code 37.0832C and deny remedies 5, 6, 7 and 8 as presented in closed session.

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Aliza Flores Oliveros

Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez asked for September 23, 2015

In regards to the grievances filed by RR/MR on or about September 23, 2015, Ms. Aliza Flores Oliveros made a motion to grant remedy 2, deny remedy 3 as the district allows parents access to grievance procedures as required by Texas Education Code 26.011, deny remedy 4 as the district has adopted anti-bullying policies and

procedures required by Texas Education Code 37.0832C and deny remedies 1, 5, 6, and 7 as presented in closed session.

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Aliza Flores Oliveros
Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez
Discussion: None
In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

B. Action re: Level III Grievance filed by V.V./C.V., including address any outstanding motions/ objections/ notices and matters related thereto.

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez asked for a motion for Level III grievance filed by VV/CV on March 4th.

In regards to the grievances filed by VV/CV on or about March 4, 2015, Mr. Judd Gilpin made a motion to deny all requested remedies as presented in closed session.

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Judd Gilpin
Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez
Discussion: None
In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez asked for March 4, 2015

In regards to the grievance filed by VV/CV on or about March 4, 2015, Mr. Judd Gilpin made a motion to deny all requested remedies as presented in closed session.

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Judd Gilpin
Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez
Discussion: None
In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez asked for March 31st and September 8, 2015.

Mr. Judd Gilpin asked if that date was correct and stated his notes indicate that his dates don't jive with what he took notes on.

Mr. Stephen Trautmann stated there were two grievances filed on March 4th by CV/VV, two separate ones and one on the 26th.

Mr. Judd Gilpin stated he got that one and the next one that he has is March 26th.

Mr. Juan Cruz stated that should be the next one. He said there were two for March 4th and one for the 26th.

Mr. Judd Gilpin asked Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez which one he had called.

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez said March 31st and September 8th, 2015

Mr. Judd Gilpin stated the next one is March 26th.

Mr. Juan Cruz said that was correct.

In regards to the grievance filed by VV/CV on or about March 26, 2015, Mr. Judd Gilpin made a motion to deny all requested remedies as presented in closed session.

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Judd Gilpin

Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez asked for March 31st and September 8, 2015.

In regards to the consolidated grievances filed by VV/CV on or about March 31, 2015 and September 8, 2015, Mr. Judd Gilpin made a motion to grant remedy 6, deny remedy 7, as the district allows parents access to grievance procedures as required by Texas Education Code 26.011, deny remedy 8 as the district has adopted anti-bullying policies and procedures required by Texas Education Code 37.0832C and deny remedies 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11 and 12 as presented in closed session.

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Judd Gilpin

Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez asked for July 9, 2015 and July 16, 2015.

In regards to the consolidated grievances filed by VV/CV on or about July 9, 2015 and July 16, 2015 Mr. Judd Gilpin made a motion to grant remedy 2, deny remedy 1, deny remedy 3 as the district allows parents access to grievance procedures as required by Texas Education Code 26.011, deny remedy 4 as the district has adopted anti-bullying policies and procedures required by Texas Education Code 37.0832C and deny remedies 5, 6, 7, and 8 as presented in closed session.

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Judd Gilpin

Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez asked for September 21, 2015

In regards to the grievance filed by VV/CV on or about September 21, 2015 Mr. Judd Gilpin made a motion to grant remedy 2, deny remedy 1, deny remedy 3 as the district allows parents access to grievance procedures as required by Texas Education Code 26.011, deny remedy 4 as the district has adopted anti-bullying policies and procedures required by Texas Education Code 37.0832C and deny remedies 5, 6, and 7, as presented in closed session.

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Judd Gilpin

Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

IV. Adjournment

Motion: So Move

Moved by: Judd Gilpin

Seconded by: Juan Roberto Ramirez

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

There being no further business before the Board, the Special Called Meeting of April 13, 2016, was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Ricardo "Rick" Rodriguez, President

Aliza Flores Oliveros, Secretary