



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC: Approval of Board Minutes for the Month of September 2017 and October 2017

SUBMITTED BY: Griselda Rodriguez **OF:** Board Secretary

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____

DATE ASSIGNED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: October 18, 2017

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the United ISD Board of Trustees approve the Board Meeting Minutes for:

- 1. Regular Board Meeting – September 20, 2017
- 2. Special Called Meeting – October 3, 2017

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

POLICY REFERENCE & COMPLIANCE:

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

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

September 20, 2017

In Attendance:

Roberto J. Santos, Superintendent of Schools

Board of Trustees:

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

A Regular of the Board of Trustees of United ISD was held Wednesday, September 20, 2017, beginning at 6:00 PM in the United ISD - Student Activity Complex, Fine Arts Building, 5208 Santa Claudia Lane, Laredo TX 78043.

I. Announcement by the Board President calling this meeting of the United Independent School District to order at 6:00 PM. Let the record show that a quorum of Board Members is present, that this meeting has been duly called, and that notice of this meeting has been posted in accordance with the *Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551*.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

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

III. Board Announcements

Judd Gilpin – I have an issue. I understand there’s been a complaint related to Human Resources issue Mr. Santos I’ve heard a bit about it regarding somebody’s promotion and what not. Regarding the matter that I’m talking about it may be more appropriate to talk about it in executive session sometime in the future but I’d like to request that some policy be developed my Mr. Cruz specifically looking into this

matter, I think there's different things we can do policy wise to maybe improve upon the situation and I request that another couple of board member might join me in requesting that we have an Item like that on the next agenda.

Juan Cruz and Mr. Roberto Santos – Both agreed.

Judd Gilpin – It would be thee (3) board members correct?

Juan Cruz – Correct three (3) Board Members and we'll get an agenda item.

Aliza Flores-Oliveros – I'd be willing to support that.

Javier Montemayor – I have a motion actually Mr. President, I make a motion that we take out of order from Consent Agenda Item 7G, which reads: Approval of renaming the current Alexander High School 9th grade campus located at 8800 McPherson Road to Trautmann Middle School, and possibly renaming the current Trautmann Middle School located at 8501 Curly Lane effective 2018-2019 School Year. If I can make a motion to move that out of order and I have a presentation.

Motion: **So Move**
Moved By: **Javier Montemayor**
Seconded By: **Aliza Flores-Oliveros**
Discussion: **NONE**
All In Favor: **Unanimous**

MOTION PASSED

Javier Montemayor – Good evening, I am the district five board member for United ISD and I am present to make a short presentation for a recommendation on this item. I grew up in United ISD area along with other board members here present the same as other individuals in this audience at the time I came out as a student there was three schools, Clark, Salinas, Nye and Clark Middle School and back then we were nowhere even close to the technology that we have and nowhere even close to the population that we have as a school district. There's a gentlemen that I'd like to introduce to you by the name of Elias Herrera. Mr. Herrera was born in Mexico and he moved to Laredo from San Luis Potosi with his family. They were miners, they were a part of nine families that came to what is now the Del Mar area in North Laredo, North Webb County at the time. Back then it was a farming community it was an onion farm all the way from what Calton is and McPherson is and now Del Mar Boulevard is now nowhere close to what it looks like now. He was born in 1929

settled on Laredo with his family along with nine other families. He attended Nye Elementary located then on Santa Maria Ave. he later attended L.J. Christen High School and Martin High School and graduated in 1949. So for some of you are who are Tigers, he's a Tiger. While at Martin High School he was involved, he lettered in football, track and baseball he was a baseball player with the community Sunday Morning Leagues back then, he also lettered in each and every one of those sports. He helped organize the Del Mar Little League which is now the Del Mar Pony League and he was the first coach of the Del Mar Senior baseball league which was called the "Hawks" back then. He was a man of many talents, he was a woodworker, he produced furniture, he was a photographer he developed films. He was also a ped arian which is when you work with jewelry he was an outdoors man and he loved to hunt and he loved to work his ranch. He attended L.J.C. and while attending L.J.C. he was a football player and a baseball player. He was also involved in track, he was an anchorman of the L.J.C. mile relay team that held the Border Olympic record for many years and he was the last living member of that team. He joined the United State Army, was a member of the 82nd Airborne Division having more than 25 jumps to his credit. He obtained the rank of Corporal and was stationed in Fort Benning, Georgia; Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Fort Leonard Wood, Montana and Pendleton, California as well as other bases including New York. He served in the Vietnam conflict he was honorably discharged in 1955. He attended Texas A&M University in Kingsville under the GI Bill and he was obtaining his degree in engineering but he instead obtained his degree in education. He also pursued a master's degree in education and obtained a superintendent certificate. He later was hired as a teacher in 1957 by what is now or then Nye comment School District located on Santa Maria. He taught 4th, 5th and 6th grade in one classroom and his supplies consisted of 4th, 5th and 6th grade textbooks, 2 pieces of chalk, a chalk board and an eraser. Back then we had Nye elementary, Cactus Elementary, Johnson- Masterson elementary. Those schools were to consolidate at one time. Nye common School District did not want to consolidate with what is now Webb County. Elias Herrera and a lady that we know as Amparo Gutierrez worked together coaching the ranching families to oppose the election of joining Webb County Consolidated instead they became United Consolidated Independent School District. They were situated; the main offices of United Consolidated Independent School District were situated on Delmar Boulevard what is not now Nye Elementary School. The Herrera's owned a home that now sits on top of the hill where the current Police Department is. Mr. Herrera served as principal at Nye elementary. He served to assistant named William Malis the first superintendent of the school district and later Mr. Harrell Brantley which we now have a hall called "Brantley Hall". Both superintendents moved and Mr. Herrera later became the interim superintendent serving United Independent School District Administratively and as Assistant Superintendent. He served as a district central

office and also the district's first and only Junior High School. He initiated the longhorn mascot for the district, he began the Long Horn annual and served as it's only photographer. He was a school coach a bus driver as well as helping out in the lunchroom serving meals at each and every day. At the time every school prepared meals for their students and he helped cook and he helped serve the students and he helped clean up when everybody was done. At that time United consisted of 400 students. During United's formative years Mr. Herrera initiated and administrated several departments he was not only the first principal of Nye elementary school also the only principal of Nye Junior High School he was the first principal for the bilingual program in Texas, director bilingual adult education programs at United, director of the lunch programs for United, director of the Manpower programs for United, director of Transportation, director of Maintenance and janitorial services, director of school district elections, district disciplinary hearing officer, district certified asbestos supervisor, interim-athletics director, assistant superintendent, director of Support Services, director of purchasing and moving of portable buildings we can certainly use today. These were just some of the many hats that he wore during his tenure with United. He began the Field of Dreams program which is now what we come to know as our athletic program, he started the baseball program for United as well and he took the lead on multiple task throughout the district.

Athletics always had a special place in Mr. Herrera's heart, his influence in the community but specifically United ISD was chronicled in various articles in the Laredo Morning Times throughout his career. In one specific, he depicts his desire to give students at United ISD the same opportunity that he had. He had nine children all of them were graduates of United ISD all of them were college educated and all of them are successful individuals. One we just recognized last year that our United Longhorn Legends. Because of this belief Mr. Herrera embraced his love for teaching, he braced Innovative strategies ideas and approaches to teaching which weren't conventional at the time long before we had collaborative classrooms Mr. Herrera practiced multi level open concept teaching dabbled in different successful educational traits. Again, he pioneered the bilingual programs in Texas. He was an outstanding principal and served as interim assistant superintendent. These are some of his keys to success: coach, lunch server, bus driver, principal to Nye, and Nye Junior High School, he retired in 1997 after 40 years of service for United Independent School District. Mr. Herrera believed that Laredo had a potential for growth beyond the small City once was. He was a humble person with humble beginnings and he saw United multiply and expand quickly. Mr. Herrera not only believed that United would grow, he also believed wholeheartedly that the student of United ISD had the potential and talent to succeed. It was this belief that motivated him to inspire influence and educate the community we live in today. United ISD was forever changed because of Mr. Herrera's hard work, his vision and his desire to

put United ISD at the forefront of education in Laredo. We have a committee process that we go through to name and pick names for schools I ask the board to suspend that process, cause I think Mr. Herrera's dedication to United ISD well documented and we have lost a lot of our way-a lot of our history. A lot of people don't know who Mr. Herrera was. We recognized an individual by the name of Salas last year, Mr. Herrera is on the same footing as Salas was back then. I think it's only fitting that I recommend to this board that the Trautmann Middle School is currently at is gonna be moved to what is currently the Alexander 9th grade campus. Let that be Trautmann Middle School and let that school feed into United High School. Where the current Trautmann currently sits on Curly Lane, that be renamed Elias R. Herrera, Middle School and let that forever be his memory of Mr. Herrera. Discussing different mascots, Mrs. Rendon and I jokingly said hey "Herrera Hawks" sounds really good and we didn't know what to name it. I'm a, I'm a big believer in signs and I was reading an article that the Laredo Morning Times had written on Mr. Herrera and they talked about, he was a baseball player with the Sunday Morning League played more than 35 years with various local baseball clubs. These experiences lead him to be, and organizer and coach of the Del Mar Little League and was the first coach of the Del Mar Senior baseball leagues, the famous Hawks. So, I think it's only fitting that without picking the colors that the current Trautmann Middle School soon to be moved that that campus be named Elias R. Herrera Middle School Hawks! That's my motion.

Judd Gilpin: I second that.

Juan Cruz: Just for point of clarification so the motion on the floor would be that the board would be approving to rename the current Alexander High School 9th grade campus located on 8800 McPherson Road to Trautmann Middle School and rename the current Trautmann Middle School located at 8501 Curly Lane effective the 2018-2019 school year to Elias R. Herrera Middle School including waiver of board policy CW LOCAL. That would be the motion, and I think there's been a second...

Motion:	So Move
Moved By:	Javier Montemayor
Seconded By:	Judd Gilpin
Discussion:	NONE
All In Favor:	Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

Judd Gilpin: Anyway, the communications part of this provides an opportunity for board members to bring up issues and my issue that was bringing up to be more specific involves an allegation of coercion in the workplace against one of our board members. And the particular workplace is the police department. So I have a lot of concerns with it. I'd like to get an item on the next agenda to specifically look at policy that will allow the board to have more control over how those types of interactions occur and to do that I need 2 other board members who would be interested in looking at the policy. Now as I understand this, this type of policy is not that unusual. I have conferred with our attorney Juan Cruz earlier. We do have examples of policy that we can look at from other school district correct?

Juan Cruz: Correct. We had (inaudible) good get good operating procedures which a lot school districts have and United does not we can kind of put them together and bring them to the board for review.

Judd Gilpin: Okay that be great if we can do that but like I said I need 2 other board members that will support that, so I think; Is that the case that you support that Aliza? (she agrees by a showing of hand), Ricardo that's 2. And the second thing I'd like to do is I'd like to provide contact information for the appropriate outside law enforcement agency which I believe is the Texas Rangers to begin looking at the possibility of getting an independent look at this. If you can find out the appropriate contact for that Mr. Santos and disseminate that to the board I think it'll allow people to individually investigate that and see if they want to do that. I think the appropriate way to do something like that would be with an item on the next agenda if its decided that somebody wants to pursue that. I personally think it's a little premature to do that because we haven't looked into it. It would take 3 board members but I'm gonna begin looking into it myself and if you can provide the appropriate contact information, I'd appreciate it.

Mr. Santos: Yes sir.

Judd Gilpin: Thank you

Juan R. Ramirez: Any other announcements from the board? (NONE)
Agenda Item #4- Recognitions; Mr. Santos.

Mr. Santos: Yes Mr. Ramirez and members of the board if you all can join me at the front it that time in the agenda that we are able to recognize our employees our students and our community. If you all can join me at the front please.

IV. Recognitions

- A. TASB FINALIST - 2018 TEXAS TEACHER OF THE YEAR
- B. SOUTH TEXAS BLOOD & TISSUE CENTER
- C. NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR GEOGRAPHIC EDUCATION (NCGE) - K-12 DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARD
- D. TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS (TASB) 2017 MEDIA HONOR ROLL
- E. EDUCATORS RISING NATIONAL WINNERS
- F. TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE "YOU ART WHAT YOU EAT" ART CONTEST - NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK
- G. TRAUTMANN MIDDLE SCHOOL HONORS BAND - 8TH PLACE STATE - TEXAS MUSIC EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION STATE COMPETITION
- H. TRAUTMANN MIDDLE SCHOOL HONORS BAND - 2017 MARK OF EXCELLENCE / NATIONAL WIND BAND HONORS PROJECT - NATIONAL WINNERS

V. Superintendent's Report

Roberto J. Santos: There's nothing today sir.

VI. Public Comments:

Comments shall be limited to current Board agenda items, student recognitions, or charitable causes. Comments are limited to three minutes per speaker. The speaker will be informed when he or she has one (1) minute remaining. No more than three (3) persons will be allowed to speak on any side of an issue, nor shall the time per subject exceed ten minutes. Delegations of more than three (3) persons shall appoint one person to present their views to the Board. Public comment shall not be used for personal attacks by the speaker against Board members, District employees, or students. Speakers who engage in personal attacks, or use insulting, profane, threatening, or abusive language during any Board meeting shall be ruled out of order by the presiding officer and may be escorted from the Board meeting room by District peace officers or security staff. Any concerns or complaints regarding employees, public officials, students, or parents must be resolved via the appropriate complaint process, as stated in BED (LOCAL). 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.

VII. Consent Agenda Items

- A. Approval of Monthly Disbursements
- B. Approval of Budget Amendments
- C. Approval of Tax Roll Adjustments for 2016-2017
- D. Resolution to Approve the 2017 Appraisal Roll as the 2017 UISD Tax Roll
- E. Approval of Internal Audit Plan for 2017-2018
- F. Approval of Awarding Bids, Proposals and Qualifications
- G. Approval of renaming the current Alexander High School 9th grade campus located at 8800 McPherson Road to Trautmann Middle School, and possibly renaming the current Trautmann Middle School located at 8501 Curly Lane effective 2018-2019 School Year
- H. Approval of Board Travel to attend the TASA/TASB Convention in Dallas, Texas for the Month of October 2017
- I. Approval of Resolution regarding the District's Budget Not Permitting Purchase Of the Three-Point Seatbelt-Equipped School Buses
- J. Approval of Requests from Board Members in re: Use of Board of Trustees Discretionary Funds for Various Projects/Campuses
- K. Approval of Additional Appraisers for the 2017-2018 School Year
- L. Approval of Class Size Waivers for the 2017-2018 School Year
- M. Approval of Interlocal Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding between the Webb County Juvenile Board and United Independent School District

Eddie Zuñiga: Mr. Ramirez if I may, there's other items that I would like to read into the record.

Mr. Juan R. Ramirez: Go ahead sir.

Eddie Zuñiga: The first request is from United Middle School, Ms. Rebecca Morales, principal, sponsored by Mr. Javier Montemayor –for PBIS and Perfect Attendance teacher/student incentives in the amount of \$2,000.00. The second request by United Middle School, sponsored by Mr. Ricardo Molina-to purchase STEM curriculum program including Staff Professional Development technology in the amount of \$8,000.00. A request from Los Obispos Middle School, Jessica Salazar, principal, sponsored by Mr. Ricardo Molina-for some school benches in the amount of \$8,000.00. A second request from Los Obispos Middle School, Jessica Salazar, sponsored by Mr. Ramiro Veliz-for school furniture in the amount

of \$5,000.00. A request from the United ISD Police Department, chief Ray Garner-requester, sponsor by Mr. Ricardo Molina, Ramiro Veliz and Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez-for Under Armour boots for \$5,904.00. A request from Clark Middle School, Ms. Melissa Ramirez, principal, sponsored by Mr. Ricardo Molina-\$2000.00 for Microphone and Speaker system for events in the GYM, and \$2000.00 for teacher/students incentives for a total of \$4000.00. A request from Veterans Memorial Elementary, Ms. Luz E. Ramirez, sponsored by Mr. Ramiro Veliz, for Library books and novels \$3,241.55 and finally a request from Finley Elementary, Joe Garza, principal, sponsored by Mr. Juan Roberto Ramirez, to replace excising tables and chairs in the Library in the amount of \$15,320.00.

Rick Rodriguez: Okay, my motion would be to approve Items A through M, with the exception of Item-G and also adding the discretionary funds that were just mentioned.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Ricardo Rodriguez
Seconded By: Ricardo Molina
Discussion: NONE
All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

VIII. Items for Individual Consideration

A. Approval of Donations

Mr. Roberto J. Santos: Yes, Mr. Ramirez members of the board it is recommended that the board of Trustees graciously accept the following donations and this will be attached to the minutes. The following donations are a thousand dollars or more we have three (3): 1) is United South M.S. cheerleaders receive a donation in the amount of \$4975.00 from the United South Middle Booster Club to be used to pay for summer camp at UTSA; 2) Our UISD Communications Department received a donation in the amount of \$1,540.00 from Southern Sanitation to sponsor the 2017 Media Luncheon, held at La Posada on Tuesday, September 5th. UISD Communications Department received the following donations for the upcoming UISD Golf Tournament which is for the Partners for Scholars, \$1000.00 from Forde Ferrier LCC; \$1000.00 from Johnston Supply, \$1000.00 from Laredo Sports Medicine, \$1,000.00 from Cantu Safety Consultants, \$2000.00 from Patria Office Supply then we had 9 additional

donations under \$1,000.00 for a grand total of \$15,166.39, that we graciously accept and we want to thank these business partners that want to partner with our schools.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Javier Montemayor
Seconded By: Ricardo Molina
Discussion: NONE
All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

B. Approval of Board Minutes for the Month of June and August 2017

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Judd Gilpin
Seconded By: Ricardo Rodriguez
Discussion: NONE
All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

C. Nominations of Candidates to the Board of Directors of Webb County Appraisal District

Juan Cruz: Monica is going to read an item on the Webb County Appraisal District as you know, you have Judd and Mr. Ramirez on the Appraisal so she's going to read those two names if anybody wants to add another Board Member or nominate somebody else from the board you can do so at that time but she'll read the resolution including Judd and Mr. Ramirez's name and then you all can take your vote from there.

Monica Madrigal: (Reads the resolution)

Where as the United Independent School District is participating entity in the Webb County Appraisal District and where as United Independent School District is entitled to nominate candidates for the Board of Directors of the Webb County Appraisal District now there for Be it here by resolved by the Board of Trustees of the United Independent School District that the following names be nominated as

candidates: Mr. Judd Gilpin, Mr. Juan Roberto Ramirez, Passed by the Board of Trustees, this 20th day of the month of September 2017.

Are there any more candidates to nominate?

At a later time we will bring the resolution to cast the votes this is just to nominate candidates for the ballot.

Juan Roberto Ramirez: I make a nomination for Ms. Oliveros, to take the position of Mr. Juan Roberto Ramirez.

Monica Madrigal: So it would be Judd Gilpin, Ms. Oliveros and Mr. Ramirez?

Juan Cruz: (Clarifies) No, it would only be Judd Gilpin and Ms. Oliveros.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Juan Roberto Ramirez
Seconded By: Judd Gilpin
Discussion: NONE
All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

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

Juan Roberto Ramirez: Adjourns into closed session (pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code) at **6:44 PM**.

A. 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney

1. Consultation with Legal Counsel Regarding Voluntary Resignation Agreement and Release of Gerardo Alva
2. Consultation with Legal Counsel Regarding Settlement Agreement and Release of Patricia Saenz
3. Status of Ongoing Audits
 - a. Student Activity Fund Audits: Borchers Elementary, Gutierrez Elementary, and United South High School
 - b. Attendance Accounting for High Schools
 - c. Special Admissions Audit

d. Title II, Part A Grant

4. Report regarding the status of platting and the scope of development of supporting infrastructure associated with the undeveloped 35 acre tract purchased from the International Bank of Commerce on November 30, 2011 located at the current terminus of Aquero Boulevard South of FM 1472

B. 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney

551.074 Discussion of Personnel or to Hear Complaints Against Personnel

1. Consideration of the Recommendation of the Board Grievance Sub-Committee in the matter of the Level Three (3) Employee Grievance of Paul Kane
2. Consideration of the Recommendation of the Board Grievance Sub-Committee in the matter of the Level Three (3) Employee Grievance of Lina Volpe

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

Juan Roberto Ramirez: Item # 10-Reconvened from Closed Session the time is now **7:45 PM.**

- A. Action Regarding Approval of Voluntary Resignation Agreement and Release, Including Rescission of Proposed Termination of Gerardo Alva's Probationary Contract

Juan Cruz: The recommendation on Item X-A is to approve the Voluntary Resignation Agreement and Release, Including Rescission of Proposed Termination of Gerardo Alva's Probationary Contract

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Judd Gilpin
Seconded By: Javier Montemayor
Discussion: NONE
All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

- B. Action Regarding Approval of Settlement Agreement and Release, Including Rescission of Proposed Termination of Patricia Saenz's Term Contract

Juan Cruz: The Recommendation is to approve the Settlement Agreement and Release, Including Rescission of Proposed Termination of Patricia Saenz's Term Contract

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Judd Gilpin
Seconded By: Ricardo Rodriguez
Discussion: NONE
All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

- C. Possible action regarding the platting and scope of development of supporting infrastructure associated with the undeveloped 35 acre tract purchased from the International Bank of Commerce on November 30, 2011 located at the current terminus of Aquero Boulevard South of FM 1472

Juan Cruz: The recommendation on Item X-C is to table

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Judd Gilpin
Seconded By: Aliza Flores-Oliveros
Discussion: NONE
All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

- D. Announcement of Board's decision regarding the Recommendation of the Board Grievance Sub-Committee in the matter of the Level Three (3) Employee Grievance of Paul Kane and any action related to same

NO ACTION TAKEN AT THIS TIME

- E. Announcement of Board's decision regarding the Recommendation of the Board Grievance Sub-Committee in the matter of the Level Three (3) Grievance of Lina Volpe and any action related to same

NO ACTION TAKEN AT THIS TIME

XI. Adjournment

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Judd Gilpin
Seconded By: Aliza Flores-Oliveros
Discussion: NONE
All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

There being no further business this concludes this Regular Board Meeting of The United I.S.D. Board of Trustees on this the 20th day of September, 2017 at 7:46 PM.

Minutes completed by Griselda Rodriguez, Secretary and submitted for approval at the Regular Board Meeting of October 18, 2017.

Juan R. Ramirez, President

Aliza Flores-Oliveros

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

October 3, 2017

In Attendance

Roberto J. Santos, Superintendent of Schools

Board of Trustees:

Juan Roberto Ramirez – President - PRESENT

Javier Montemayor - Vice-President - LATE IN

Aliza Flores-Oiveros – Secretary – PRESENT

Ricardo Molina, Parliamentarian-PRESENT

Judd Gilpin – Member - PRESENT

Ricardo “Rick” Rodriguez – Member - PRESENT

Ramiro Veliz, III – Member - ABSENT

A Special Called of the Board of Trustees of United ISD was held Tuesday, October 3, 2017, beginning at 6:00 PM in the United ISD - Boardroom, 201 Lindenwood Dr., Laredo, Texas 78045.

I. Call Meeting to Order

Juan R. Ramirez: Calls this special called meeting to order at **6:29 PM**. Discussions to be discussed or considered from which any normal action may be taken are as listed below:
Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this written notice.

Ms. Aliza Flores-Oliveros takes roll call (See - In Attendance).

II. Establish Quorum

Juan R. Ramirez: Let the record show that a quorum of Board Members is Present. In closed session Mr. Gilpin, you do have the floor.

III. 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

551.082 School Children; School District Employees; Disciplinary Matter or Complaint

551.0821 School Board; Personally Identifiable Information About Public School Student

551.084 Investigation; Exclusion of Witness from Hearing

Judd Gilpin: Thank you. The item on the agenda is the student discipline appeal. Did the students representatives request in writing that the hearing be held in a public open session pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.0821?

Eduardo Zuñiga: No, sir.

Judd Gilpin: Alright, and if public hearing is not requested the board may close the hearing to the public in either Open or Closed discipline hearing the board and the board's attorney may enter into closed session under *551.071 on the Texas Government Code* in order for the board to consult and seek legal advice from it's legal counsel. The hearing will be conducted in Closed Session under Sections *551.071, 551.082, 551.0821, and 551.084*. The board will now adjourn into Closed Session to hold the hearing. The time is now **6:31 PM**.

1. Consider Expulsion Appeal Hearings of L.C. and T.B., Including Consultation with Legal Counsel in Regards to Same

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

Juan R. Ramirez: The time is **9:04 PM**. We are reconvened from Closed Session the board will take appropriate action on items if necessary as discussed in Closed Session

A. Action Regarding Expulsion Appeal Hearing of L.C.

Judd Gilpin: I move that we uphold the decision that student L.C. committed an expellable offense and that she be removed for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year to STEP Academy.

Motion: So Moved
Moved By: Judd Gilpin
Seconded By: Javier Montemayor
Any Discussion: NONE
All In Favor: Aliza Flores-Oliveros, Javier Montemayor, Ricardo Molina,
Judd Gilpin, Ricardo Rodriguez

Abstain: Juan Roberto Ramirez

MOTION PASSES

B. Action Regarding Expulsion Appeal Hearing of T.B.

Judd Gilpin: I move that we uphold the decision that student T.B. committed an expellable offense and that he be removed for the remainder of the 2017-2018 to STEP Academy

Motion: So Moved
Moved By: Judd Gilpin
Seconded By: Ricardo Molina
Any Discussion: NONE
All In Favor: Aliza Flores-Oliveros, Javier Montemayor, Ricardo Molina,
Judd Gilpin, Ricardo Rodriguez

Abstain: Juan Roberto Ramirez

MOTION PASSES

V. Adjournment

Motion: So Moved
Moved By: Javier Montemayor
Seconded By: Aliza Flores-Oliveros
Any Discussion: NONE
All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

There being no further business before the Board, the Special Called Meeting of October 3, 2017, was adjourned at **9:07 PM**.

Juan Roberto Ramirez, Board President

Aliza Flores-Oliveros, Board Secretary