



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC: Approval of board minutes for the month of August 2022

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

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____

DATE ASSIGNED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: September 21, 2022

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the United ISD Board of Trustees approve the Board Minutes for the month of August 2022.

Special Called Meeting – August 9, 2022 - CANCELLED
Regular Board Meeting – August 17, 2022
Special Called Meeting – August 23, 2022

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

August 9, 2022

In Attendance

David H. Gonzalez, Superintendent of Schools

Board of Trustees

Ramiro Veliz III, President, - ABSENT
Aliza Flores-Oliveros, Vice-President –ABSENT
Juan Roberto Ramirez, Member – ABSENT
Ricardo Molina Sr., Parliamentarian –PRESENT
Ricardo Rodriguez, Member – PRESENT
Javier Montemayor, Jr., Member – PRESENT
Francisco "Frank" Castillo, Member – PRESENT

A Special Called Meeting of the Board of Trustees of United ISD will be held Tuesday, August 9, 2022, beginning at 6:05 PM in the SAC Room #2, Fine Arts Building, 5208 Santa Claudia Lane, Laredo, Texas 78046.

MEETING CANCELLED, NO QUORUM.

- I. Roll Call, Establish Quorum, Call to Order

- II. Announcement by the Board President calling this 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 meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551

- III. Pledge of Allegiance

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

Mr. Javier Montemayor, calls this meeting to order at **6:29 PM**.

This meeting was **Cancelled** due to a lack of Quorum. No action was taken.

IV. Public Comments

Comments shall be limited to current Board agenda items, student recognitions, or charitable causes. Comments are limited to three minutes per speaker, except Non-English speakers who require a translator are limited to six (6) minutes. The presiding officer may waive or modify these time limits as appropriated. The speaker will be informed when he or she has one (1) minute remaining. Public comment shall not be used for personal attacks by the speaker against 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.

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

- A. TGC 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney; Closed Meeting
TGC 551.082 School Children; School District Employees; Disciplinary Matter or Complaint
TGC 551.0821 School Board; Personally Identifiable Information About Public Student
TGC 551.084 Investigation; Exclusion of Witness from Hearing
1. Conduct expulsion appeal hearing of student L.H. in accordance with the District's Student Code of Conduct and Texas Education Code Chapter 37
 2. Conduct student transfer appeal hearings

3. Conduct FNCA Level Three appeal hearing regarding objection to District's mandatory school uniform

B. TGC 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney; Closed meeting

1. Deliberation regarding expulsion appeal hearing of student L.H., including consultation with legal counsel
2. Deliberation regarding student transfer appeals, including consultation with legal counsel
3. Deliberation regarding FNCA Level 3 appeal, including consultation with legal counsel

V. 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 student L.H.
- B. Action regarding student transfer appeals
- C. Action regarding FNCA Level 3 appeal

V. Adjournment

Ramiro Veliz, III, President

Juan Roberto Ramirez, Secretary

These minutes were completed by Griselda Rodriguez, and submitted for approval by the UISD Board of Trustees at the September 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

**A Regular Board Meeting
Of United ISD
The State of Texas
County of Webb**

August 17, 2022

In Attendance:

David H. Gonzalez, Superintendent

Board of Trustees:

Ramiro Veliz, III, President - PRESENT

Aliza Flores-Oliveros, Vice President – IN AT 6:35 PM

Juan Roberto Ramirez, Secretary – ABSENT

Ricardo Molina, Sr., Parliamentarian – PRESENT

Francisco "Frank" Castillo, Member – PRESENT

Ricardo "Rick" Rodriguez, Member – PRESENT

Javier Montemayor, Jr., Member – IN AT 6:35 PM

A Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of United ISD will be held Wednesday, August 17, 2022, beginning at 6:00 PM in the UISD Student Activity Complex, Auditorium, located at 5208 Santa Claudia Lane, Laredo, Texas 78043.

The subjects to be discussed or considered are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice.

I. Roll Call, Establish Quorum, Call to Order

*Ramiro Veliz, calls this meeting to order at **6:01 PM**. Quorum is established.*

II. Announcement by the Board President calling this 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 meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551

III. Pledge of Allegiance

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

IV. Recognitions:

A. UNITED ISD SUMMER GRADUATIONS:

- *Lyndon B. Johnson
- *United South High School
- *John B. Alexander High School
- *United High School

V. Public Comments

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NO PUBLIC COMMENTS.

VI. Informational Items:

A. Texas Education Agency 2022 Accountability Ratings

Ms. Emma Leza presents the finalized ratings from the Texas Education Agency, which provided a scale score of 94, an "A" rating for United ISD. Ms. Leza says, the district was able garner an "A" in Student Achievement, School Progress an "A" and in Closing the Gaps an "A". The board congratulates the entire administrative team, the teachers and all United staff and students. "We are extremely proud of the work that you have done", said Mr. Veliz, board president. Mr. Castillo, Mr. Molina and Mr. Rodriguez also conveyed their congratulatory remarks to teachers, administration and made emphasize that this is the result of team effort.

B. Superintendent's Report

Mr. David H. Gonzalez, makes the audience aware that the result of cancelling classes on Monday, August 15th was not just the rain but mainly road closures from a lot of our colonia residents and that the decision was made with input from Chief Guillermo Hear, acknowledging the safety of all parties involved. On another note, Mr. Gonzalez wants to bring up the fact that in 2019 UISD had 22 campuses with an "A" (scale score of 94), and now in 2022 the district had 33 campuses with "A's". This is indicative he says, of the continued hard work of our teachers and the leadership of our principals. Mr. Gonzalez recognizes and commends all UISD faculty, staff, students and parents.

C. Discussion and presentation from UISD administration regarding state-mandated school safety action steps and matters incident thereto

A recommendation was made to table this item.

Motion:	So Move
Moved By:	Francisco Castillo
Seconded By:	Ricardo Molina
Any Discussion:	None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

VII. PUBLIC HEARING: The Board will take public comments regarding 2022-2023 Budget & Proposed 2022 Tax Rate

A motion is made to Open this Public Hearing at 6:13 P.M.

Motion:	So Move
Moved By:	Ricardo Rodriguez
Seconded By:	Francisco Castillo
Any Discussion:	None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS AT THIS TIME.

Ms. Laida Benavides informs the board that the required Notice of this Public Hearing was made public on Aug. 7th, 2022 and that booklets were sent to the board prior to this meeting.

A motion is made to Close this Public Hearing at 6:14 P.M.

Motion:	So Move
Moved By:	Francisco Castillo
Seconded By:	Ramiro Veliz
Any Discussion:	None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

VIII. Consent Agenda Items

- A. Approval of Monthly Disbursements**
- B. Approval of Budget Amendments**
- C. Submission of Appraisal Roll to the Governing Body**
- D. Approval of award Property & Casualty Insurance Renewal**
- E. Approval of awarding bids, proposals and qualifications**
- F. Discussion and possible action to recommend to the Board of Trustees approval for CSP 2022-033 District Wide Supply & Installation of Germicidal UV-C Lamps to HVAC Units**
- G. Approval of disposition of Mobile Learning Device (MLD) to graduating students at United High School, United South High School, John B. Alexander High School and Lyndon B. Johnson High School**
- H. Approval of addition Appraisers for the 2022-2023 school year**
- I. Approval of Interlocal Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding between Webb County Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (JJAEP) and United ISD for the 2022-2023 school year**
- J. Second and Final Reading of TASB Update 119 (Local)**
A motion is made to approve Items "A" through "J".

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Ricardo Rodriguez
Seconded By: Ricardo Molina
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

IX Items for Individual Consideration

A. Approval of Donations

Mr. Gonzalez asks that the board graciously accept the donations (23) totaling \$43,4590.00 and they will be attached to the minutes. (SEE LIST ATTACHED)

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Francisco Castillo
Seconded By: Ricardo Molina
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

B. Approval of Board minutes for the months of April, May June and July 2022

A motion is made to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Ricardo Molina
Seconded By: Francisco Castillo
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

C. Discussion and possible action to approve signatories on employee/educator service records

David Canales - We are here to request approval for signatures for our service records, to approve the Compensation Director, HR program coordinator, the associate superintendent to authorize to sign personal records of the institution.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Francisco Castillo
Seconded By: Ricardo Rodriguez
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

D. Adopt Official Budget for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year

Laida Benavides – Mrs. Benavides reviews the official budget which include the General Fund, Debt Service Fund and the Child Nutrition Fund. She reminds the board that the raises and new positions for the new middle school as well as new services for the coming school year were also included in the budget. You are adopting a budget of over \$418M for General Fund, Debt Service \$41.6M and Child Nutrition \$33.9M to start on September 1, 2022.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Ricardo Molina
Seconded By: Francisco Castillo
Any Discussion:

Francisco Castillo: Why do we have an excess? Are we deficient in any of the budgets.

Laida Benavides – What we are going to do, is we are going to cover the projected deficit with our ESSER III money. And we will be tracking our projected enrollment. We are starting to see more students come in so we feel we are going to hit our projected enrollment.

Francisco Castillo – The reason I ask is because the public will think that we are operating at a deficit. What is the explanation there?

Laida Benavides – The explanation is that we are covering any revenue shortfall with the ESSER III funds which we are allowed to use.

Francisco Castillo – Expresses that the district must always cover the teacher and substitute salaries, including increments.

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

E. Resolution to Adopt 2022 Tax Rate

The recommendation is that the Property Tax Rate be increased by the adoption of a Tax Rate of 1.022540 which is effectively a 16.47% increase in the Tax Rate.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Ricardo Molina
Seconded By: Francisco Castillo
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

F. Presentation by Clean Air Coalition regarding Ethylene Oxide and matters incident thereto, with possible action

The Clean Air Coalition Tricia Cortez, Edna Jimenez, Salo Otero, Joana Pillard Otero, Ethel Perez, Bobby Santos and Sheila Serna, present on the importance and urgency of monitoring the air toxicity levels in our community. Ms. Sheila Serna informs the audience that the people living around the are at greater risk and explain how some of these harmful agents can lead to cancer, damage the lungs, brain and nervous system. "According to EPA, Midwest Sterilization in Laredo is the company responsible for emitting the toxic chemicals such as Ethylene Oxide.

The Clean Air Coalition is recommending the use of Air Monitors at 3 – 5 campuses and provide a list of 5 schools that are in the proximity of Midwest Sterilization as well as vendors the district may use to monitor.

Francisco Castillo – Says he likes the idea of collaborating with the city and would like this air quality to be monitored internally. "The air does not belong to United ISD only" says Mr. Castillo. "We can do our part provided the others do their part". Secondly, Mr. Castillo expresses the concern as to when the readings or data come through, who will receive the information and who will analyze the findings, and what will be the purpose.

Ramiro Veliz – You begin this presentation with EPA naming this facility or business as one that is at high risk; Has there been any monitoring from EPA?

Shiela Serna – No, no there has not been any monitoring from EPA or from the state in that manner. We have asked repeatedly for it. We agree that this has to be a collaborating with LISD, the City and even the county. As far as what we do with this data, yes, we can share it with the City. And we can share it with Midwest and let them know what is going on.

Tricia Cortez – Ms. Tricia Cortez points out that other cities are not waiting for the EPA (environmental protection agency) or the TCEQ (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) to come save them.

The Clean Air coalition continue to provide information to persuade the district to monitor the air quality at some district campuses.

Ricardo Molina – “Even if you put canisters for monitoring, you are not going to stop the companies from polluting the air. My question is, why EPA has not shut the location down. We are going to put a lot of money from our kids, and that is not going to stop the pollution”. Another thing Mr. Ricardo Molina points out is that other districts like United, did not give the permission, authorization to build the plant/facility. Like the city that gave the permit to build and let them operate and allowed them to get to this problem. Where are those people.

Edna Jimenez – A parent that has lived in La Bota for 15 years, says she is tired of the government shifting the responsibility while her kids and family are at great risk.

The Clean Air Coalition make their request to please allow 3 -5 campuses to be monitored.

Ramiro Veliz – Have you made any requests directly to this company?

Sheila Serna – “Well, they won’t meet with us”.

David Gonzalez – I want to commend you and in addition to what was said earlier, about working with the county and the City, but also I want to remind everyone here, our number one priority is always safety, and obviously we are looking at school violence right now with what happened in Uvalde but, also the air quality. So, we do have an approved vendor, just to remind everybody. Just recently through funding that we received from the federal government, UISD invested \$5,333,132 dollars. We have invested in UVC lamps, which kills germs so looking at school safety. I will tell you that the quality air in our campuses is safer than the environment in our community. Now, I will also say that, whatever decision the board agrees to, we are going to abide as administration. Right now, the administration recommends that we collaborate with other entities, such as LISD, Laredo College, the city of Laredo and Webb County, on the oxide issues affecting our community and reach a possible solution. It is imperative that we keep our students safe at all times. No amount of dollar can compare to the welfare of a child, but this is not a UISD issue, this is a community issue and we are asking you to involve the other entities and we will work with them.

Aliza Oliveros – You have a good point Mr. Gonzalez. I want to ask, if our schools are equipped with this air purifying equipment, would that affect the studies that you are going to do, inside the school?

Sheila Serna – No, the molecule is so tiny, it gets measures in parts per billion or parts per trillion. So airflow has no effect, neither do masks.

Stephen Trautmann – I would also like to state, that we have had some internal meetings with the district and frankly the district does have it's own approved vendors to do testing, if they so wanted to move forward. But, there are options within in house.

Victor Treviño, Jr. – He takes a moment to commend the coalition and emphasizes the racial disparities. "Hispanic communities are the most impacted by pollution", says Mr. Treviño. Based on a 16-year Harvard study and explains how this is creating a not only systemic but generational problem. "We have a civic duty to act. It is our civic duty to protect our neighbors". Mr. Treviño continues to inform the audience with crucial information and reiterates how this is a community effort. Not just the EPA but local entities. "We have several stakeholders in this conversation, but we are here with you tonight".

Ricardo Molina – Mr. Molina reiterates his thoughts of addressing the facility who is polluting the city.

Victor Treviño – "Again, we do not have the data to prove causation". "But in the interim, thousands of children are inhaling this emission". Mr. Treviño says the district needs to err in the side of caution for the health of the community.

Mrs. Aliza Oliveros states her support to the Clean Air Coalition.

Francisco Castillo – I did want to give a final comment because I think I can relate to some people who are here. I reside in 78045 (zip code) so I know it not only impacts school aged children but it impacts all adults as well. I understand that our primary purpose is for the education of our children. And that is why I want to be careful and quite honest with you, be sure that we do have the data and this is way to do it, so be it. At the end of the day I will vote for it too. But, at the end of the day I might have standing in case anything happens in the future that this is allowed to continue.

The board asks legal counsel for the recommendation.

Stephen Trautmann – First of all administration did give a recommendation to work in collaboration with other entities and obtain more information. A motion can be acted on upon that and as far as monetary money is going to be committed, we would have to get with purchasing regarding RFQ's and things of that nature. We do not know who these vendors are. There has not been any sort of request for qualifications issued or anything received by the district.

Aliza Oliveros – I believe we were told we can do one or as many schools as we would like; If we were to make a commitment to at least one school with, not making a financial commitment but making the commitment to looking into the financial impact of the study at (I would guess Finley). Let us say Finley elementary school in collaboration with other local government entities and with the help of or accounting/finance departments. Looking into the financial impact to the district with our approved vendors.

Stephen Trautmann – That would be a motion right there.

Sheila Serna – According to the EPA data, Muller elementary exists in the highest risk.

Aliza Oliveros – Mrs. Oliveros amends her motion to select Muller instead of Finley.

Javier Montemayor – What schools would you pick?

Coalition – Explain how they would want to be as well informed so most likely they would not just pick one. “But we would recommend Mr. Montemayor five if you can or a minimum of three”. Muller, Finley, United HS.

Ramiro Veliz – Muller is the first one.

Aliza Oliveros – Muller as our prototype and see where that leads us. Certainly we would not stop there. If we could do all five we certainly would. But we have to start somewhere. The hesitation with some other local governments not yet committing to a collaboration, we will start that with the motion I just made and then expand on that once we are able to. If we are able to, I hope we are able to.

Motion:	So Move
Moved By:	Aliza Oliveros
Seconded By:	Javier Montemayor
Any Discussion:	

Francisco Castillo – I want to amend the motion, I believe that the five campuses they brought up, that are listed here and I agree. I am at 78045 it is a wider area, it might give an opportunity to catch more of the oxide. And I think I like to see that if I remember correctly this facility emits the oxide at different times of the day, My amendment (with all due respect) is to have all five of them. Let's do all five and see what we find.

A sub-motion is made to amend Mrs. Oliveros's motion.

Motion:	So Move
Moved By:	Francisco Castillo
Seconded By:	No second / Motion denied

Original motion by Mrs. Oliveros to direct the district administration to work in collaboration with other entities to possibly do an air monitoring study at Muller.

Aliza Oliveros – Yes, with the hopes of doing all five, but we have to have a starting point financially.

Javier Montemayor – I would agree to do that, and I want to be progressive about it. Do Muller and then grow into Finley and Matias and hopefully by then the other entities will start jumping on board.

Ramiro Veliz – Mrs. Oliveros if you wish to add a time on that collaboration, 60 days...

Aliza Oliveros – Tricia Cortez says tomorrow (chuckling); 30 days, does that sound good.

Ramiro Veliz – Maybe in 30 days we can have the district present to us a clear path as to which company we can utilize and move forward from there.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Aliza Oliveros
Seconded: Javier Montemayor, Ramiro Veliz, Ricardo Molina
All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

Mrs. Oliveros congratulates the Coalition; "I know that you said we would be the pioneers but that is by far the truth, you all are".

G. Nomination of Candidate for TASB Board of Directors for Region 1, Position B

The recommendation is to make a nomination between the two candidates: Janie Lopez and Sylvia Sanchez-Garza (Incumbent). Mr. Ramiro Veliz makes a motion to nominate Ms. Sylvia Sanchez-Garza (Incumbent).

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Ramiro Veliz
Seconded By: Ricardo Rodriguez
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

H. Approval of Request(s) from Board Member(s) in re: Use of Board of Trustees Discretionary Funds for Various Projects/Campuses

Mike Garza – Mr. Garza reads in 4 additional requests received from UISD PD.

*Police Mascot and equipment in the amount of \$4,450.00, sponsored by Ricardo Molina.

*Uniform shirts for Police Officers in the amount of \$4,820.00, sponsor Ricardo Rodriguez.

*Replacement Duty Belts for officers in the amount of \$7,964.00 sponsored by Ramiro Veliz and Ms. Aliza Oliveros.

*7 Delta 4-4 Bolt Mid Ballstic Helmets with Pro Tech R2S Suspension in the amount of \$3,348.50 sponsored by Javier Montemayor

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Francisco Castillo

Seconded By: Ricardo Molina
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

I. First and final reading of Board Policy BED (Local) – Board Internal Organization – Public Participation

Jaime Garcia – No major change just basically cleaning up a three to four page policy and condensing it. No substantive change to current public comment rules.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Ricardo Rodriguez
Seconded By: Ricardo Molina
Any Discussion:

Francisco Castillo – I just want to make sure Mr. Garcia, this does allow any member of the community to speak individually.

Jaime Garcia – Yes, that is a law now. If 100 people show up to speak, then all must be given the opportunity. The presiding officer however, can modify by law, the time limits.

Stephen Trautmann – And just to reiterate that public comments at regular board meetings, members of the public may still be able to comment on items that are not on the agenda. That has not changed.

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

J. First and final reading of Board Policy BDB (Local) – Board Internal Organization – Internal Committees

Jaime Garcia – This is another policy brought last month, we revised it to reflect comments and again there is no substantive change to the committee policy it is merely, cleaning up some of the language that better reflects what the board's actual practices are.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Ricardo Molina
Seconded By: Ricardo Rodriguez
Any Discussion:

Francisco Castillo – Again, this is where we as board members cannot be present at another committee. That is important for the public to know.

Jaime Garcia – To clarify, the members that are elected by the board to each standing committee being the Business and Instructional Committee, the only members allowed to preside over that meeting because each respective committee gives recommendations for approval to the board, however the board members are allowed to be present in the audience at each of those committees. Only three members are appointed to each committee however, if there are board members in the audience we allow that. They just cannot preside over the meeting in order to give recommendations to the board.

Francisco Castillo – So they can be in the audience.

Jaime Garcia – Yes sir.

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

K. Discussion and possible action regarding election of Board Officers

A motion is made to table Item IX.-K.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Francisco Castillo
Seconded By: Ricardo Rodriguez
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

L. Discussion and possible action regarding Board member assignments to the Business and Instructional Committees

The recommendation is to table Item IX.- L.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Ricardo Molina
Seconded By: Ricardo Rodriguez
Any Discussion: None
All In Favor:

MOTION PASSES

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

The board adjourns into Closed Session at 7:14 PM.

A. TGC 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney; Closed Meeting

1. Superintendent's Duties and Responsibilities
2. Consultation with legal counsel regarding status of negotiations regarding Mini-Billboard Marketing Agreement between Impacto Media, Inc. and United Independent School District and matters incident thereto
3. Consultation with legal counsel regarding potential settlement agreement pertaining to level three DGBA grievance appeal filed by Amanda Sanchez, et al. and matters incident thereto

**B. TGC 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney; Closed Meeting
TGC 551.074 Personnel Matters**

1. Legal consultation with respect to revising the terms of the proposed Purchase and Sale Agreement and possible execution once finalized of such Purchase and Sale Agreement regarding the acquisition of a tract of land of approximately 10.77 acres out of a 53.40-acre tract of land, which itself is out of a tract of land, described in the deed recorded in Volume 1089, Pages 586-587, Deed Records, Webb County, Texas. The tract is situated in Porcion 28, E. Martinez, Abstract 241, Webb County, Texas, such property being in the vicinity of the intersection of Saunders Blvd. and Loop 20 in Laredo, Webb County, Texas. The acquisition of said acres will be from L91 BC Properties, LLC

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

The board reconvenes from closed session at 8:04 PM.

- A. Discussion and possible action to authorize legal counsel to take further action regarding Mini-Billboard Marketing Agreement between Impacto Media and United Independent School District**

The recommendation is to authorize legal counsel to continue negotiations as discussed in closed session.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Aliza Oliveros
Seconded By: Ricardo Molina
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

- B. Discussion and possible action to amend Board Policy DEC (Local) – Compensation and Benefits – Leaves and Absences**

Aliza Oliveros – Makes a motion to amend Board Policy DEC (Local) to add 5 Local Leave Days to the 2022-2023 School Year.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Aliza Oliveros
Seconded By: Javier Montemayor
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

- C. Discussion and possible action regarding potential settlement agreement in level three grievance filed by Amanda Sanchez, et al.**

The recommendation is to approve the settlement agreement for the DGBA (Local) Level Three Grievance filed by Amanda Sanchez et al. as discussed in closed session and to authorize superintendent to execute all documents that are necessary.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Javier Montemayor
Seconded By: Aliza Oliveros
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

D. Discussion and possible action regarding Resolution of the Board regarding Extension of District-Provided Emergency Paid Sick Leave for Eligible District Employees

The recommendation is to approve the resolution regarding the District-Provided Paid Sick Leave as discussed in closed session.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Javier Montemayor
Seconded By: Aliza Oliveros
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

E. Possible action with respect to the possible revision of the proposed Purchase and Sale Agreement and the possible execution once finalized of such Purchase and Sale Agreement regarding the acquisition of a tract of land of approximately 10.77 acres out of a 53.40-acre tract of land, which itself is out of a tract of land, described in the deed recorded in Volume 1089, Pages 586-587, Deed Records, Webb County, Texas. The tract is situated in Porcion 28, E. Martinez, Abstract 241, Webb County, Texas, such as property being in the vicinity of the intersection of Saunders Blvd. and Loop 20 in Laredo, Webb County, Texas. The purchase of said acres will be from L91 BC Properties, LLC

The recommendation is to authorize legal counsel to continue negotiations as discussed in closed session.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Javier Montemayor
Seconded By: Ricardo Molina
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

XII. Adjournment

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Ramiro Veliz
Seconded By: Aliza Oliveros
Any Discussion: NONE

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

There being no further business before the United ISD Board of Trustees, this Regular Board Meeting of August 17, 2022 was Adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Ramiro Veliz, III, Board President

Juan Roberto Ramirez, Board Secretary

*Minutes completed by Griselda Rodriguez, Secretary.
Submitted for Approval at the September 2022, Regular Board Meeting.*



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC: Donations

SUBMITTED BY: David H. Gonzalez of Superintendent

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____

DATE ASSIGNED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: August 17, 2022

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees graciously accept the following, donation(s) and this will be attached to the minutes.

The following are donations of \$1000 or more

1. Health Services Department received a donation of 19,800 QuickVue Covid Tests valued at \$396,000.00 from Gateway Community Center.
2. UISD Aquatic Center received a donation of 3,500 backpacks with approximate value of \$7,880.00 from Webb County District Attorney, Isidro Alaniz to be used for the 2022 UISD Swim Camp.
3. UISD Aquatic Center received a donation of 2,000 backpacks with approximate value of \$5,000.00 from Stat Emergency to be used for the 2022 UISD Swim Camp.
4. UISD Athletics Department received a donation of Ponchos, Tumblers and Cooling Towels with approximate value of \$4,000.00 from Stat Emergency to be used for the 2022 Coaches Session.
5. UISD Aquatic Center received a donation of 700 backpacks with approximate value of \$3,000.00 from Texas A&M University to be used for the 2022 Swim Camp.
6. UISD Athletics Department received a donation of \$3,000.00 for the 2022 Golf Tournament from Solid IT Networks.
7. UISD Athletics Department received a donation of \$3,000.00 for the 2022 Golf Tournament from Trautmann & Garcia, Attorneys at Law.
8. UISD Aquatic Center received a donation of 2,000 backpacks valued at \$3,000.00 from Fuddruckers to be used for the 2022 UISD Swim Camp.
9. UISD Athletics Department received a donation of 250 (\$5.00) Gift Cards with a total value of \$1,250.00 from Fuddruckers to be used for the 2022 Coaches Session.
10. UISD Deputy Superintendent (Safety Department) received a donation of \$1,560.00 from Trautmann & Garcia Attorneys at Law to be used for Incentive bags for Leadership Meetings.
11. UISD Athletics Department received a donation of \$1,500.00 for the 2022 Golf Tournament from Limitless Learning Education & Tutoring Center.
12. UISD Athletics Department received a donation of \$1,000.00 for the 2022 Golf Tournament from Chick Fil A.
13. UISD Athletics Department received a donation of \$1,000.00 for the 2022 Golf Tournament from Sunbelt Air Conditioning & Refrigeration.
14. Salvador Garcia Middle School Principals Account received a donation of \$1,000.00 from Imelda Ortiz at Thrive Mortgage.

The following are donations under \$1,000

1. UISD Athletics Department received a donation of \$500.00 from Limitless Learning Education & Tutoring Center for the 2022 Golf Tournament.
2. UISD Athletics Department received a donation of two (\$200.00) Gift Cards with total value of \$400.00 from Inkbyrd for the 2022 Coaches Session.
3. UISD Aquatic Center received a donation of 200 backpacks valued at \$300.00 from Webb County Commissioner Wawi Tijerina to be used for the 2022 Swim Camp.
4. UISD Athletics Department received a donation of four water coolers with cupholders valued at \$250.00 from Home Depot to be used for the 2022 Coaches Session.
5. UISD Athletics Department received a donation of 20 large bags of caramel popcorn valued at \$250.00 from Boxx and Signs to be used for the 2022 Coaches Session.
6. UISD Athletics Department received a donation of gift cards with total value of \$200.00 from BP Newman, Inc. to be used for the 2022 Coaches Session.
7. UISD Aquatic Center received a donation of 100 backpacks with value of \$200.00 from Laredo College to be used for the 2022 Swim Camp.
8. UISD Aquatic Center received a donation of 100 backpacks with value of \$150.00 from Laredo Sports Medicine to be used for the 2022 Swim Camp.
9. UISD Athletics Department received a donation of \$150.00 from Cascos & Associates, PC for the 2022 Golf Tournament.

Grand Total: \$434,590.00

RATIONALE: Enclosed you will find the attachments that coincide with the donations

BUDGETARY INFORMATION: No Budget Impact

BOARD POLICY REFERENCE & COMPLIANCE: This is in compliance and in accordance with Board Policy CDC: Other Revenues, Grants from Private Sources

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

August 23, 2022

In Attendance

David H. Gonzalez, Superintendent of Schools

Board of Trustees

Ramiro Veliz III, President - PRESENT
Aliza Flores-Oliveros, Vice-President – PRESENT
Juan Roberto Ramirez, Member – PRESENT
Ricardo Molina Sr., Parliamentarian –PRESENT
Ricardo Rodriguez, Member – ABSENT
Javier Montemayor, Jr., Member – ABSENT
Francisco “Frank” Castillo, Member –PRESENT

A Special Called Meeting of the Board of Trustees of United ISD will be held Tuesday, August 23, 2022, beginning at 6:00 PM in the SAC Room #2, Fine Arts Building, 5208 Santa Claudia Lane, Laredo, Texas 78046.

- I. **Roll Call, Establish Quorum, Call to Order**

- II. **Announcement by the Board President calling this 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 meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551**

- III. **Pledge of Allegiance**
 - A. **Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.**

Mr. Ramiro Veliz, calls this meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

IV. Public Comments

Comments shall be limited to current Board agenda items, student recognitions, or charitable causes. Comments are limited to three minutes per speaker, except Non-English speakers who require a translator are limited to six (6) minutes. The presiding officer may waive or modify these time limits as appropriated. The speaker will be informed when he or she has one (1) minute remaining. Public comment shall not be used for personal attacks by the speaker against 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.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS.

V. Items for Individual Consideration:

A. Remote Conferencing Waiver Approval

Emma Leza – Ms. Emma Leza informs the board that the waivers are (if approved) to allow remote conferencing for students who's parents submitted the request and are eligible based on state information requirements such as 1) being unable to attend school due to a temporary medical condition, and 2) student cannot be out more than 20-days for the entire school year, with a Dr's note and or a positive result for a communicable condition. Ms. Leza explains that the process is to submit these waivers for the entire year.

Ramiro Veliz – So these are submitted at a district level, not by campus.

Emma Leza – Yes, we are making it as simple as we can for the parents with a physician's report that indicates that the child will be out for more than 20 instructional days in the year. We submit to the state then the state will approve each individual waiver. The important thing is that instruction is not interrupted for the student they are part of our remote conferencing.

Motion:	So Move
Moved By:	Aliza Oliveros
Seconded By:	Francisco Castillo

Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

B. Approval of resolution fore severe weather day employee compensation

David H. Gonzalez – Mr. Gonzalez asks the board for approval and consideration of a resolution for severe weather day, employee compensation. He reads out part of this resolution “Where as, the board has a substantial interest in protecting the health and safety of this district students staff and community and finds that an emergency need existed to close schools and departments on Monday, August 15, 2022, due to dangerous weather”. Mr. Gonzalez add that it was not so much the weather itself but the road closures of many of our “colonia” students. “Our buses could not get through and we had a great number of teachers calling in sick”, said Mr. Gonzalez

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Aliza Oliveros
Seconded By: Francisco Castillo
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

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

This meeting is adjourned into Closed Session at **6:08PM.**

- A. TGC 551.071 Consultation with Board’s Attorney; Closed Meeting**
- TGC 551.082 School Children; School District Employees; Disciplinary Matter or Complaint**
- TGC 551.0821 School Board; Personally Identifiable Information About Public Student**
- TGC 551.084 Investigation; Exclusion of Witness from Hearing**

- 1. Conduct expulsion appeal hearing of student L.H. in accordance with the District’s Student Code of Conduct and Texas Education Code Chapter 37**

**B. TGC 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney; Closed meeting
TGC 551.0821 School Board; Personally Identifiable Information About Public Student**

- 1. Conduct level three student/parent grievance appeal hearing of W.N. and B.N. on behalf of V.N. in accordance with Board Policy FNG (Local)**

C. TGC 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney; Closed Meeting

- 1. Deliberation regarding expulsion appeal hearing of student L.H., including consultation with legal counsel**
- 2. Deliberation regarding level three student/parent grievance appeal hearing of W.N. and B.N. on behalf V.N., including consultation with legal counsel**

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

This meeting reconvenes from Closed Session at **8:02 pm**.

A. Action regarding expulsion appeal hearing of student L.H.

The recommendation is to modify the expulsion term as discussed in Closed Session.

Motion:	So Move
Moved By:	Aliza Oliveros
Seconded By:	Francisco Castillo
Any Discussion:	None

All In Favor:	Unanimous
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MOTION PASSES

B. Action regarding level three student/parent grievance appeal hearing of W.N. and B.N. on behalf of V.N.

The recommendation is to overturn the lower level hearing decision as discussed in Closed Session.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Francisco Castillo
Seconded By: Ricardo Molina
Any Discussion: None

All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

VII. Adjournment

A motion is made for adjournment.

Motion: So Move
Moved By: Aliza Oliveros
Seconded By: Ricardo Molina
Any Discussion: None
All In Favor: Unanimous

MOTION PASSES

There being no further business of the UISD Board of Trustees, this Special Called meeting is adjourned at **8:03 P.M.**

Ramiro Veliz, III, President

Juan Roberto Ramirez, Secretary

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