

Minutes of Special Meeting

Charter Holder School Board Horizon Montessori Public Schools

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Horizon Montessori Public Schools was held on Thursday, June 24, 2021, beginning at 2:00 PM at 2402 E Business 83, Weslaco, Texas.

Trustees Present:

Alim U. Ansari
James O. Hayes
Dr. Hassan Ahmad
Dr. Omar M. Al-Qudah
Randall L. Summers
Aurora Sáenz

Trustees Absent:

Dr. Patricia Quesada

1. Call to Order: Trustee James O. Hayes called the meeting to order at 2:17 PM. Those trustees present were Alim U. Ansari, Dr. Hassan Ahmad, Randall L. Summers, and Aurora Saenz.
2. Moment of Silence
3. Public Comments: No action taken.
4. Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Trustee Randall L. Summers and second by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad to approve the consent agenda item. Motion passed.
 - A. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting held on Thursday, May 13, 2021
5. Superintendent's Report:
 - A. Teacher vacancies to accommodate district expansion
 - B. District State Tests—Summer Session: STAAR and EOC
 - C. Horizon High School Student Recruitment for 2021SY
 - D. District Student Enrollment Target for 2021SY
 - E. ESSER II & III Funding—expenditure goals focusing on technology
 - F. Teacher population at Horizon Montessori Pearland
 - G. Downtown Weslaco Building Renovation—Horizon High School Center
6. Action Items:
 - A. *Public Information Policy*. A motion was made by Trustee Randall L. Summers and second by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad to approve policy. Motion passed.
 - B. *Wellness Policy*. A motion was made by Trustee Aurora Saenz and second by Trustee Randall L. Summers to approve policy. Motion passed.
 - C. *2021-2022 HMPS Employee Handbook*. A motion was made by Trustee Aurora Saenz and second by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad to approve handbook. Motion passed.
7. Curriculum:
 - A. *Information—Back to School Guidelines 2021-2022*. No action taken.
 - B. *2021-2022 Academic Proposal*. A motion was made by Trustee Randall L. Summers and second by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad to approve proposal. Motion passed.
 - C. *2021-2022 Academic Stipends Proposal*. A motion was made by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad and second by Trustee Randall L. Summers to approve proposal.

Motion passed.

- D. *District Improvement Plan 2021-2022*. A motion was made by Trustee Randall L. Summers and second by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad to approve plan. Motion passed.
- E. *UT High School Partnership Proposal*. A motion was made by Trustee Randall L. Summers and second by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad to approve proposal. Motion passed.
- F. *Revised 2021-2022 District School Calendar*. A motion was made by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad and second by Trustee Randall L. Summers to approve revised calendar. Motion passed.

8. Items over \$5,000:

- A. *Facilities Operations Enhancements Initiative Proposal*. A motion was made by Trustee Randall L. Summers and second by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad to approve purchases for touchless faucets and hand dryers. Motion passed.
- B. *Purchase of Student Headphones District-wide*. A motion was made by Trustee Randall L. Summers and second by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad to approve purchase selecting IT Savvy. Motion passed.
- C. *Purchase of iPad Charging Carts District-wide*. A motion was made by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad and second by Trustee Randall L. Summers to approve purchase selecting School Outfitters. Motion passed.
- D. *Purchase of Teacher Laptops District Initiative*. A motion was made by Trustee Randall L. Summers and second by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad to approve purchase selecting Apple, Inc. Motion passed.

9. Finance:

- A. *Information—ESSER II & III*. No action taken.
- B. *EDGAR Handbook*. A motion was made by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad and second by Trustee Randall L. Summers to approve handbook. Motion passed.
- C. *2021-2022 Allotment & TEKS Certification Agreement*. A motion was made by Trustee Randall L. Summers and second by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad to approve agreement. Motion passed.
- D. *Teacher Salary Pay Scales 2021-2022*. A motion was made by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad and second by Trustee Randall L. Summers to approve pay scales. Motion passed.

10. Executive Session: The board entered executive session at 3:05 PM and reconvened at 3:12 PM.

11. Action, If Necessary on the Items Discussed in Closed Meeting: No action taken.

12. Adjournment: A motion was made by Vice-Chair Dr. Hassan Ahmad and second by Trustee Randall L. Summers to adjourn meeting at 3:13 PM.

Alim U. Ansari
Chairman/Superintendent

James O. Hayes
Secretary

Date