



President Lori Ann Garza led the board members and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Flag Pledge.

**4.0** **VISION – INSPIRING LIFE-LONG LEARNING BY PROVIDING LIMITLESS OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUCCESS**

Trustee Larry Cantu read the following vision statement: “Inspiring Life-Long Learning by Providing Limitless Opportunities for Success.”

**MISSION – EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS TODAY TO PREPARE FOR TOMORROW**

Trustee Bobby Marroquin read the following mission statement: “Empowering Individuals Today to Prepare for Tomorrow.”

**5.0** **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no comments from the public.

**6.0** **INFORMATIONAL ITEM(S)**

**6A** TASA/TASB CONVENTION 2021 – SEPTEMBER 24-26, 2021 – DALLAS, TEXAS

Dr. Jose Moreno reminded the board members about the upcoming TASA/TASB Convention on September 24-26, 2021, in Dallas, Texas. If they had any questions, to please follow up with Ms. Padilla.

**6B** TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT -VIDEO CONFERENCE (ZOOM) BOARD MEETINGS

Dr. Jose Moreno mentioned that in reference to the Texas Open Meetings Act Video Conference (Zoom) Board meetings the school board has already been practicing the proper protocol. The Board can continue utilizing zoom but a quorum needed to be present, at the physical site, in order to have a meeting. Also, a board member who participates in a zoom meeting shall be considered absent from any portion of the meeting, during which any portion of the meeting with the board member is lost or disconnected.

**6C** SUPERINTENDENT MONTHLY UPDATES

Dr. Jose Moreno announced that the school district had been approved for the JET Grant in the amount of \$322,000.00. The money will be used for equipment for the welding lab for the next school year and it will be used as a hub. It will not be official until the school district receives the signed paperwork. The school district will have intersession during the week of September 28, 2021, through October 1, 2021. Also, they will have an early release day on September 24, 2021. He has scheduled a bus tour for board members on Friday, September 17, 2021, to view the school district’s properties. The first bus tour will be from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon, and the second bus tour will be from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m. Trustee Lori Garza, Trustee Cezar Martinez, and Trustee Ismael Gonzalez are scheduled for the first tour at 10:00 a.m., and Trustee Bertha Roldan has signed up for the second tour at 12:00 noon. He still has openings for the second bus tour from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m.

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#### PRESENTATION OF CURRENT ENROLLMENT AND ADA UPDATES

Dr. Jose Moreno presented a preliminary update of where they were at on the school district's enrollment. On September 24, 2021, any student that is a no-show has to be accounted for by the school district so that they don't become a potential dropout. The administration is continuing to push to get the students in. On the first day of school, they started off with 2053 students and ended up with 2453 on September 15, 2021. The projected enrollment was to be 2509, for a difference of 382 that have not enrolled. The students in grades 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> are the ones that the school district gets hit on accountability. These are students that ended the 2020-2021 school year with the school district but have not returned for the 2021-2022 school year. These students will impact the accountability as dropouts on 9/24/21. They are currently working on a total of forty students (RECHS-23, SCA - 4 and Seale-13). As of this time, they have a total of 98 being home-schooled and a total of 129 that have moved to other districts. Thus far, they have recovered 223 students for the 2021-2022 school year through enrollment initiatives: marketing, block walk on 6/27/21, two-minute televised commercials, district website, school bus advertisement, geo-tracking, and a banner on social media. During the block walk, they visited 120 student households, and 81 enrolled.

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#### PRESENTATION ON ROBSTOWN READS: POWER UP WITH READING

Dr. Jose Moreno announced that Ms. Jessica McComb would be presenting a new initiative called: Power Up With Reading. Ms. Jessica McComb reported that the program that they will be using is Beanstack. Beanstack is all about creating a cultural of reading and about free choice reading. The students can decide on what kind of books they would want to read. The program has students participating in challenges that occur every six weeks, by logging in their minutes read, completed book reviews, and other activities to earn badges and rewards from the library. The students can earn a total of 15 badges and prizes at increments of 200 minutes. The students will have the chance to be part of the Superintendent Super Readers Club and other library initiatives. The year end goal is six million minutes and they are currently at 220,000 minutes. Also, they have issued out 6,548 badges, and a literacy night will be held in October.

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#### RISD FOOD SERVICE UPDATE

Mr. Chris Teager presented an update on the school district's food service department. He reported that they have started the Roving Chef Class at Lotspiech Elementary School. The students learn how to design their own chef hat, tour the kitchen, make their own personal pizza, take home recipes cards and chef hat, and receive a roving chef class certificate. The class is from twenty-five minutes to an hour. He shared pictures of the students that graduated from the Chef Class. Their goal is to have one roving chef class a month at each of the elementary campus. They have transitioned their breakfast menu to a more country breakfast menu and have added a grab-and-go bakery for the students at the RECHS. Also, he shared different options that they are working on to grab the students, a survey has been conducted, a food service staff competition was held on line presentation on four different subcategories. They have been approved for the Seamless Summer Option for the

2020-2021 and 2021-2022, which will make it easier on documentation, classroom rosters aren't needed, less time spent on documentation and higher reimbursement rates. They have upcoming menu planning committees, more roving chefs, cooking with district Chef Nicole, and staff training on September 27<sup>th</sup> for this month.

6G LIST OF BILLS

Mrs. Vanessa Riggs reported that the list of bills for the month of August was \$2,181,715. The bills were high because of the debt service that was paid during the month of August which is why the amount was higher.

6H FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORT

Mrs. Vanessa Riggs reported that the General Fund revenues as of August 31, 2021, were at \$27,294,434, total expenditures were at \$26,382,780, and total other uses in the amount of \$176,954,00. At this point in time, the revenues exceeded the expenditures by a total of \$734,703, making the total fund balance \$9,618,465. The school district was able to re-cooperate a total of \$195,129 from the certified values audit that was held during the 2017-2018 school year. The school district has already received the ESSER funds, and they were able to put it in the General Fund. The Food Service revenues were at \$1,180,026, the total expenditures were \$1,490,054, and a total of \$200,000 in other uses. At this point in time expenditures exceeded revenues by \$110,027. The Interest and Sinking Fund total revenues were at \$4,794,746, total expenditures were at \$4,889,524, and a total of \$171,392 in other uses. It exceeded by \$76,613, for an ending balance of \$391,984. The total tax collection for the 2020-2021 school year was \$9,747,334.92 for a total of 97.18% of taxes collected.

**7.0** CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

7A APPROVAL OF MINUTES

7B APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS

7C DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF UPDATED LIST OF ADVANCED CLASSES IDENTIFICATION NO PASS, NO PLAY EXEMPTION FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

Dr. Jose Moreno recommended approving the Consent Agenda Items 7A, 7B, & 7C as presented.

Motion #6824 A motion was made by Trustee L. Cantu and seconded by Trustee C. Martinez to approve the superintendent's recommendation.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes, L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, I. Gonzalez – Yes, H. Lopez – Absent, and B. Roldan – Yes

Motion carried Yes – 6 No - 0 Absent – 1  
7:26 p.m.

**8.0** GOVERNANCE

8A DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING A NOMINATION FOR PLACE 7,

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, NUECES COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION

Dr. Jose Moreno informed the board members if they did not have a nomination for Place 7, Board of Directors, Nueces County Appraisal District Resolution, no action was needed.

- 8B DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF REVISIONS MADE TO THE ROBSTOWN ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES BOARD OPERATING PROCEDURES  
Dr. Jose Moreno recommended approving the following revisions to the Robstown ISD Board of Trustees Board Operating Procedures: 1) Item G was removed (Cell Phone usage during a board meeting), 2) To add the words and/or after the word superintendent on item F, page 7, and 3) To add on page 19 – Board Recognition for loss of Life: A board member(s) may request for flowers to be purchased on behalf of the school district and/or board of trustees for the loss of an immediate family member(s) and B. Definition of immediate family: A person’s parents, sibling, spouse, child by blood, adoption or marriage, grandparents, and grandchildren. After discussion, Dr. Moreno recommended approving the revisions made to the Robstown ISD Board of Trustees Board Operating Procedures as presented.

Motion #6825 A motion was made by Trustee B. Roldan and seconded by Trustee C. Martinez to approve the superintendent’s recommendation.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes, L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, I. Gonzalez – Yes, H. Lopez – Absent, and B. Roldan – Yes

Motion carried Yes – 6 No - 0 Absent – 1  
7:31 p.m.

**9.0 BUSINESS AND SUPPORT**

- 9A DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDER(S) EXCEEDING \$50,000 FOR SOFTWARE

Dr. Jose Moreno recommended approving the following two purchase orders exceeding the \$50,000 for software: 1) Annual license fee for Skyward for a total of \$54,090.80. The fees included access to the student and financial database as well as the Skylert module, and 2) The school district usually pays approximately \$43,450 each year for Edgenuity (credit recovery) software. This school year the school district wishes to add additional licenses and it’s possible the amount could exceed \$50,000. After discussion, Dr. Moreno recommended approving the purchase orders exceeding \$50,00 for software as presented.

Motion #6826 A motion was made by Trustee L. Cantu and seconded by Trustee B. Marroquin to approve the superintendent’s recommendation.

Roll Call L. Garza – Yes, L. Cantu – Yes, C. Martinez – Yes, B. Marroquin – Yes, I. Gonzalez – Yes, H. Lopez – Absent, and B. Roldan – Yes





