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Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees South San Antonio ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of South San Antonio ISD was held Wednesday, September 20, 2017, beginning at 6:00 PM in the ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Section start time: 6:00 PM.

Trustee	Present	Absent	Late Arrival/Departed Early
Mrs. Angelina Osteguín	X		
Mr. Louis Ybarra Jr.	X		
Mrs. Linda Longoria	X		
Mrs. Leticia Guerra	X		
Mrs. Connie Prado	X		
Mrs. Helen Madla-Prather	X		
Mrs. Elda Flores	X		

- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by student, Gianna SiFuentes.
- TEXAS PLEDGE led by student, Gianna SiFuentes.
- PRAYER led by Principal's Secretary, Elizabeth Padron.
- CALL TO ACTION led by Principal's Secretary, Elizabeth Padron.

Section end time: 6:02 PM.

Motion to change the order of the day by Mrs. Osteguín, seconded by Mrs. Flores, and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0 to approve.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Section start time: 6:02 PM.

Ben Castillo, lawyer, addressed the audience in regard to the guidelines and disruptions during citizens to be heard.

1. *Rosalynn Gonzalez*, student, addressed the Board regarding transportation.
2. *Stephanie Perez*, student, addressed the Board regarding transportation.
3. *Navyih Herrera*, student, addressed the Board regarding transportation.
4. *Manuel DelaO*, community member, addressed the Board regarding transportation.
5. *Juan Vigil*, uncle of a former student, addressed the Board regarding the student being withdrawn from the district, and addressed Conservator, Dr. Judy Castleberry, regarding transportation and community input being acknowledged.
6. *Stacey Alderete*, parent, addressed the Board regarding transportation, current student enrollment, and the Superintendent's evaluation.
7. *Seany Sotello*, student, addressed the Board regarding transportation.

Section end time: 6:15 PM.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REMARKS (NO ACTION / REPORT ONLY)

Section start time: 6:15 PM.

Dr. Saavedra addressed the Board and audience regarding transportation. He said the City of San Antonio did not approve a crossing guard at Hutchins and Zamora. He advised that bus schedules will be adjusted to stop at Ansley and Zarzamora to provide transportation for some of the students in that area. He invited parents to sign up with Mr. Zamora that night to receive transportation on buses that have space available. Dr. Saavedra stated that 750 transportation letters were sent out to the families that live between 1 ½ to 2 miles from their campus. This form will offer the opportunity to sign up for buses that have available capacity. He encouraged parents to fill out the form and turn it back in. Dr. Saavedra stated that he and 3 Trustees visited with media outlets, Express News Editorial Board and the Rivard Report, regarding Systems of Great Schools as well as various academic and athletic successes.

Section end time: 6:22 PM.

RECOGNITIONS

Section start time: 6:22 PM.

1. September's Superstar Employee of the Month

Item start time: 6:22 PM.

Jocelyn Durand, Communication Officer, was called to recognize staff for receiving September's Superstar Employee of the Month.

Item end time: 6:24 PM.

2. Recognition of South San Antonio Schools and Principals for Exemplary Achievement.

Item start time: 6:24 PM.

Delinda Castro, Chief Academic Officer, was called to recognize campuses and principals for Exemplary Achievement.

Item end time: 6:31 PM.

Section end time: 6:31 PM.

PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS

Section start time: 6:31 PM.

1. Middle Schools Redesign: Update on the Academies of Choice

Item start time: 6:31 PM.

Delinda Castro, Chief Academic Officer, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

Item end time: 6:52 PM.

2. Report on 2017-2018 SSAISD Student Enrollment

Item start time: 6:52 PM.

Abelardo Saavedra, Superintendent, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

Item end time: 7:06 PM.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM 2

Section start time: 7:06 PM.

2. Approve the 2017-18 District Improvement Plan & Campus Improvement Plans to create innovative school experiences that will raise student achievement.

Item start time: 7:06 PM.

Delinda Castro, Chief Academic Officer, Raul Nuques, Principal, Arla Maldonado-Chapa, Bilingual Director, Cynthia Bills, GT Coordinator, and Juan Carlos Zamora, Chief Financial Officer were called to present and answer questions related to this item.

Mrs. Madla-Prather moved to approve the item as presented, Mrs. Guerra seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0 to approve. Motion passed.

Item end time: 7:31 PM.

CLOSED / EXECUTIVE SESSION

NOTICE: The Board of Trustees may elect to go into Closed Meeting any time during the meeting to discuss matters listed on the Agenda when authorized by the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. In the event the Board of Trustees elects to go into Closed Meeting regarding an Agenda Item, the Board of Trustees will hold a Closed Meeting to discuss individual personnel matters including termination, litigation and other matters the Board deems necessary. Upon completion of Closed Meeting, the Board of Trustees may, in the open session, take such action as appropriate on items discussed in a Closed Meeting. If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item listed on the agenda should be held in Closed Meeting, the Board will convene in such Closed Meeting in accordance with Texas Government Code Sections 551.001 - 551.088. The Board members may take action in the open portion of the meeting on items discussed in the Closed Meeting but no action will be taken in closed session.

The Board will return to open session and take appropriate action, if any, on items discussed in closed session. No Action will be taken in closed session. Further, Board Members are reminded that all items discussed in closed session must remain confidential so as to avoid liability to the district. The Board will consider and discuss, the following items:

Closed Meeting pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code §§ 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, and 551.0821

Entered Closed Session at 7:31 PM.

1. Discussion concerning personnel matters pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074.
2. Discussion to sanction an educator for abandonment of contract.
3. Discussion concerning the evaluation of the Superintendent.

Returned from Closed Session at 8:22 PM.

CONSENT

Policy BE (Local) states that the consent agenda shall include items of a routine and/or recurring nature grouped together under one action item. All such items shall be acted upon by one vote without separate discussion, unless a Board Member requests that an item be withdrawn for individual consideration. The remaining items shall be adopted under a single motion and vote.

Section start time: 8:22 PM.

1. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes:
 - A. August 22, 2017 Regular Called
 - B. August 22, 2017 Public Hearing
 - C. September 6, 2017 Special Called
2. Memorandum of Understanding between Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) and South San Antonio ISD regarding the After School Challenge Program.

Item start time: 8:22 PM.

Mrs. Flores moved to approve the consent agenda items 1 as presented, Mrs. Guerra seconded and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0 to approve the item as presented. Motion passed.

Item end time: 8:23 PM.

CONSENT Item pulled

Section start time: 8:23 PM.

Item #2 -

Item start time: 8:23 PM.

Abelardo Saavedra, Superintendent, was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

Mrs. Madla-Prather moved to approve consent item #2 as presented, Mr. Ybarra seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0 to approve the item as presented. Motion passed.

Item end time: 8:27 PM.

Section end time: 8:27 PM.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

Section start time: 8:27 PM.

1. Action to sanction an educator for abandonment of contract.

Item start time: 8:27 PM.

The Board of Trustees moved to find that Olga Lopez and Gilbert Bower, certified educators had abandoned their contracts with the South San Antonio Independent School district and they failed without good cause to comply with the Texas Education Code sanctions 21.105 A/B, The Board of Trustees further moved on behalf of the district to authorize administration and legal counsel to seek sanctions against them and file a complaint with the State Board of Educator certification pursuant to TEC 21.105C and 19 TAC 249.14 as discussed in closed session.

Mrs. Osteguín moved to approve the item as presented, Mrs. Madla-Prather seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0 to approve. Motion passed.

Item end time: 8:28 PM.

3. Discussion and action to approve the stipend changes for PBIS due to funding.

Item start time: 8:28 PM.

Abelardo Saavedra, Superintendent, Lorraine Deleon, Executive Director of Curriculum & Instruction, and Monica Lopez, Director of Human Resources, were called to present and answer questions related to this item.

Mrs. Madla-Prather moved to approve the item as presented, Mrs. Flores seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0 to approve. Motion passed.

Item end time: 8:31 PM.

4. Discussion and possible action to approve Garza/Gonzalez & Associates for the 2016-2017 Annual Financial Audit.

Item start time: 8:31 PM.

Abelardo Saavedra, Superintendent, and Juan Carlos Zamora, Chief Financial Officer, were called to present and answer questions related to this item.

Mrs. Madla-Prather moved to approve the item as presented, Mr. Ybarra

seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 4/3 to approve. Motion passed.

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Mrs. Flores	X		
Mrs. Madla-Prather	X		
Mrs. Prado		X	
Mrs. Guerra		X	
Mrs. Longoria		X	
Mr. Ybarra	X		
Mrs. Osteguín	X		

Item end time: 8:37 PM.

5. Discussion and possible action to approve Superintendent's Evaluation.

Item start time: 8:37 PM.

Mr. Ybarra moved to postpone the item until the October 11th meeting, Mrs. Madla-Prather seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted 7/0 to approve. No action taken.

Item end time: 8:38 PM.

Section end time: 8:38 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Flores moved to adjourn the meeting, Mrs. Madla-Prather seconded, and the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 PM.

ATTEST

Angelina Osteguín, Board President

Linda Longoria, Board Secretary

NOTICE: This meeting of the Board of Trustees is authorized in accordance with the Texas Government Code, Sections 551.001 - 551.146. Verification of Notice of Meeting and Agenda are on file in the Office of the Superintendent. Closed meeting, if required and if authorized by the statute, will be conducted prior to the conclusion of the meeting for any item listed on this agenda.