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UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC _____ Board Minutes _____

SUBMITTED BY: _____ Karen Winch _____ **OF:** _____ Board Secretary _____

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____ March 24, 2010 _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the United ISD Board of Trustees take action to approve Board Meeting minutes:

Regular Board Meeting – February 16, 2010
Special Called Meeting – February 23, 2010

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

BOARD POLICY REFERENCE AND COMPLIANCE:

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

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

February 16, 2010

In Attendance

Roberto J. Santos, Superintendent of Schools

Board of Trustees

Pat Campos – President - absent
Juan A. Molina, Jr. – Vice President
Juan Roberto Ramirez – Secretary
Ricardo Molina, Sr. – Parliamentarian
Judd Gilpin – Member – arrived during Closed Session
William "Bill" Johnson – Member
Ricardo "Rick" Rodriguez – Member

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

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of United ISD was held Tuesday, February 16, 2010, in the Student Activity Complex, Fine Arts Building, 5208 Santa Claudia Lane, Laredo TX 78043. An announcement was made by the Board President calling the meeting of the United Independent School District to order at 6:31 p.m. The record showed that a quorum of Board members was present, that the meeting had been duly called, and that notice of the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Item V – Recognitions was considered before Public Comments

IV. Public Comments: Comments are limited to three minutes per speaker. The Board Parliamentarian will be the timekeeper and will inform the speaker when they have one (1) remaining minute. No more than three (3) persons will be allowed to speak on any side of an issue. Should there be more than three (3) people who wish to speak on a particular issue they need to select not more than three (3) representatives to speak for them. Comments must address items listed on the agenda. The presiding officer or designee shall determine whether a person who wishes to address the Board has attempted to solve a matter administratively. If not, the person shall be directed to the appropriate policy, as noted in BED (LOCAL), to seek resolution before bringing the matter to the Board at a subsequent meeting. 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. When a speaker comes to the podium, please indicate what agenda item you will be addressing. Furthermore, please refrain from mentioning any employee's name and any complaint about any employee's duties or

responsibilities should be channeled through the appropriate grievance policy.

No one came forward to speak during Public Comments.

V. Recognitions

Pamela Juarez, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction introduced the schools and staff being recognized for outstanding honors.

A. Blue Ribbon School Honors

1. Trautmann Elementary School

Trautmann Elementary was one of only twenty-six schools in the state of Texas to receive the honor. They were then recognized by the Board of Trustees.

B. Fulbright Scholar Program

1. United South High School

Ms. Rosa Salazar, Social Studies teacher, was honored for being accepted into the Fulbright Scholar Program. She soon will be traveling to China as part of the program.

C. Texas 2009 College Readiness Awards

Ms. Juarez said that only 5% of high school campuses achieve this honor.

1. United High School

2. Lyndon B. Johnson High School

D. United Police Officer's Association

"El Cenizo Cook with a Cop"

UISD Chief of Police introduced the members of the United Police Officer's Association who held the fundraiser to raise money for Christmas gifts for children.

E. 2010 Texas Kids Aviation Art Contest

1. Clark Middle School

The Fine Arts Department introduced Alexandra Valdez who was featured in the 2010 Texas Kids Aviation Art Contest.

F. Adopt A Beach Program "2010 Treasures of the Texas Coast" Children's Art Contest

1. Clark Middle School

G. Texas Cheerleaders Open State Champions

1. Col. Santos Benavides Elementary School

H. NCA National Champions

- 1. Fasken Elementary**
- 2. Trautmann Middle School**
- 3. United Middle School**
- 4. J. B. Alexander High School**
- 5. United South High School**
- 6. United High School**

I. Cheer Power National Competition

- 1. Lyndon B. Johnson High School**

J. All Area Band

- 1. United High School**
- 2. J. B. Alexander High School**
- 3. United South High School**
- 4. LBJ High School**

K. L. B. Johnson High School Qualifying for the Texas All-State 4-A Band

VI. Closed Session: Board adjourned into Closed Session at 7:18 p. m. pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Act:

A. 551.071 – Consultation with the Board’s Attorney

551.072 Discussion on the Purchase, Exchange, Lease or Value of Real Property

Discussion of Proposals for Sale and/or Acquisition of Real Property

- 1. Report on the status of the negotiations and consideration of terms and possible execution of Agreement for Conveyance pertaining to the purchase of approximately 110 acres to be acquired as four contiguous or non-contiguous separate tracts from Verde Corporation as Trustee of the N.D. Hachar Trust located off of FM-1472 (Mines Road) East of Pico Road of Mines Road North approximately 900 lineal feet southwest of IH-35 identified as T-Q by Verde Corporation**
- 2. Report on the status of negotiations and consideration of terms and Possible Execution of Agreement for Conveyance pertaining to the**

purchase of an approximate 10.00 acres of land located in the *Las Blancas* Subdivision Unit 2 located in Webb County, Texas comprising all of Lot 2, Block 1 (approximately 3.1305 acres and adjoining property in the approximate amount of 6.86 acres) to be Conveyed by Home Mart, Inc.

3. Consideration of Conveyance and possible negotiations pertaining to approximately 60 acres of land at *La Bota* Ranch located north of Laredo just off Mines Road (FM 1472) to be conveyed by A.F. Muller Company

**D. 551.074 - Consultation with Board's Attorney
Discussion of Personnel or to Hear Complaints against Personnel**

**551.076 - Considering the Deployment, Specific Occasions for, or
Implementation of Security Devices or Personnel**

**1. Discussion re: Status report from Internal Auditor on Duties re:
the following matters:**

- a. Kronos - Cycle 3**
- b. C & T Eligibility – Carl Perkins Grant**
- c. ESEA Title I Part C Migrant Grant**
- d. IT Disaster Recovery**
- e. Status of On-going Audit**

VII. The Board returned from Closed Session at 8:00 p.m. and took appropriate action as discussed in Closed Session.

A. Discussion and possible action concerning the execution of a Purchase Agreement and possible purchase of approximately 110 acres to be acquired as four contiguous or non-contiguous separate tracts from Verde Corporation as Trustee of the N.D. Hachar Trust located off of FM-1472 (Mines Road) East of Pico Road of Mines Road North approximately 900 lineal feet southwest of IH-35 identified as T-Q by Verde Corporation

Mr. Juan Cruz, UISD General Counsel addressed the Board saying the recommendation is to authorize legal counsel to negotiate a Purchase Agreement regarding approximately 110 acres to be acquired as four contiguous or non-contiguous separate tracts from Verde Corporation as Trustee of the N.D. Hachar Trust located off of FM-1472 (Mines Road) East of Pico Road of Mines Road North approximately 900 lineal feet southwest of IH-35 identified as T-Q by Verde Corporation under the parameters as discussed in Closed Session.

Motion: So move.

Moved by: R. Molina

Seconded by: Ramirez

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

- B. Discussion and possible action concerning the execution of a Purchase Agreement of an approximate 10.00 acres of land located in the *Las Blancas* Subdivision Unit 2 located in Webb County, Texas comprising all of Lot 2, Block 1 (approximately 3.1305 acres and adjoining property in the approximate amount of 6.86 acres) to be Conveyed by Home Mart, Inc.**

Mr. Cruz advised the Board that no action was necessary on Item VII-B.

- C. Discussion and possible agreement to enter into negotiations and possible execution of a Purchase Agreement and possible purchase of approximately 60 acres of land at *La Bota* Ranch located north of Laredo just off Mines Road (FM 1472) to be conveyed by A.F. Muller Company**

Mr. Cruz addressed the Board saying the recommendation was to authorize legal counsel to enter into negotiations and possible execution of a Purchase Agreement for the possible purchase of approximately 60 acres of land at *La Bota* Ranch located north of Laredo just off Mines Road (FM 1472) to be conveyed by A.F. Muller Company under the parameters as discussed in Closed Session.

Motion: So move.

Moved by: Johnson

Seconded by: R. Molina

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

VIII. Consent Agenda Items

Mr. Johnson advised the Board that the Finance Committee had met the previous Tuesday and was recommending the approval of the following consent agenda items.

A. Approval of Monthly Disbursements

B. Approval of Budget Amendments

C. Approval of Tax Refunds

D. Approval of Awarding Bids, Proposals and Qualifications

E. Approval of Request from Pat Campos for Use of Board of Trustees Discretionary Funds for J. B. Alexander High School for \$4,702.00

F. Approval of Request from Ricardo Molina, Sr. for Use of Board of Trustees Discretionary Funds for United D.D. Hachar Elementary School for \$14,788.25

G. Approval of Contracts, Addendums, Letters of Assurance, for School Work / Year 2010-2011

H. First and Final Reading of Policy DEE (LOCAL) – Compensation and Benefits Reimbursement

Moved by: Johnson
Seconded by: R. Molina
Discussion: None
In Favor: Unanimous

IX. Items for Individual Consideration

A. Board Minutes

1. Public Hearing 1-20-10

2. Regular Meeting 1-20-10

Motion: So move.

Moved by: Johnson
Seconded by: R. Molina
Discussion: None
In Favor: Unanimous

B. Donations

Mr. Santos read the list of donations totaling \$1676.45 into the record and thanked all for their gracious donations.

Motion: So move.

Moved by: Ramirez
Seconded by: R. Molina
Discussion: None
In Favor: Unanimous

D. Request for Expedited State Waiver Application for Modified Schedule for March, April and May 2011, Early Release for December 17, 2010, and June 2, 2011, and Staff Development in Lieu of Instructional Days

Motion: So move.

Moved by: Ramirez
Seconded by: R. Molina
Discussion: None
In Favor: Unanimous

E. Application for Low Attendance Days Waiver for January 8, 2010

Motion: So move.

Moved by: Ramirez

Seconded by: R. Molina

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

F. Approval of Sale of Salvage Items

Mr. Mike Garza, Executive Director of Support Services, provided an overview of the sale of salvage items for the Board. Mr. Johnson asked if they would be advertising the sale. Mr. Garza responded that they would. That it was to be held in the main administrative complex on March 27, 2010.

Motion: So move.

Moved by: Ramirez

Seconded by: R. Molina

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

G. Approval of Board Travel for February 2010

Mr. Cruz advised the Board that Item IX-G was not on their agenda but had been posted in the online agenda and could be considered.

Motion: So move.

Moved by: Johnson

Seconded by: Gilpin

Discussion: None

In Favor: Unanimous

As Items IX – H and IX-I were first readings, Mr. Juan Cruz, UISD Legal Counsel, advised the Board that no action would be taken, at this time.

H. First Reading of CH (LOCAL) – Purchasing and Acquisition

I. First Reading of DC (LOCAL) – Employment Practices

X. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, the Regular Meeting of February 16, 2010 was adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Pat Campos – President

Juan Roberto Ramirez - Secretary

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

February 23, 2010

In Attendance

Roberto J. Santos, Superintendent of Schools

Board of Trustees

Pat Campos – President
Juan Molina – Vice President
Juan Roberto Ramirez – Secretary
Ricardo Molina, Sr. – Parliamentarian
Judd Gilpin – Member -
William "Bill" Johnson – Member
Ricardo "Rick" Rodriguez – Member

A Special Called meeting of the Board of Trustees of United ISD was held Tuesday, February 23,, 2010 in the UISD Administrative Building located at 301 Lindenwood Road, Laredo, TX. 78045.

I. Roll Call, Establish Quorum, Call to Order

II. An announcement was made by the Board President calling the meeting of the United Independent School District to order at 6:31 p.m. A quorum of Board Members was present, the meeting was been duly called, and that notice of this meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

III. Closed Session: The Board adjourned into Closed Session at 6:34 p.m. pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Act:

A. 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney

551.074 – Discussion of Personnel or to Hear Complaints Against Personnel

- 1. Level III Grievance of Employees of the Food Service Department**
- 2. Level III Grievance of Roberto X. Miranda**
- 3. Level III Grievance of Cynthia Garcia**

B. 551.071 Consultation with Board's Attorney

551.072 – Discussion on the Purchase, Exchange, Lease or Value of Real Property

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- 2. Consideration of Conveyance and possible negotiations pertaining to approximately 60 acres of land at La Bota Ranch located north of Laredo just off Mines Road FM-1472 to be conveyed by A.F. Muller Company.**

IV. Reconvened from Closed Session, the Board took appropriate action on items discussed in Closed Session.

A. Action re: Level III Grievance of Employees of the Food Service Department

- Motion: I move to grant the grievance of the food service production employees in the following manner:
- a. Mr. Salazar's letter of concern will become a reprimand;
 - b. Mr. Salazar will be placed on a growth plan, subject to an evaluation. If Mr. Salazar has the same or similar occurrences in the future, he will be subject to termination of employment.

Moved by: Ramirez
Seconded by: J. Molina
Discussion: None
In Favor: Campos, Gilpin, J. Molina, R. Molina, Ramirez, Rodriguez
Abstain: Johnson

B. Action re: Level III Grievance of Roberto X. Miranda

- Motion: I move we deny the Level III Grievance of Roberto X. Miranda.

Moved by: Rodriguez
Seconded by: R. Molina
Discussion: None
In Favor: Campos, Gilpin, J. Molina, R. Molina, Ramirez, Rodriguez
Abstain: Johnson

C. Action re: Level III Grievance of Cynthia Garcia

- Motion: I move to deny the Level III Grievance of Cynthia Garcia.

Moved by: J. Molina
Seconded by: R. Molina
Discussion: None
In Favor: Campos, Gilpin, J. Molina, R. Molina, Ramirez, Rodriguez

Abstain: Johnson

Mr. Juan Cruz, UISD General Counsel, advised the Board that there was no recommendation for Items D and E.

D. Discussion and possible action and possible execution of Agreement for Conveyance pertaining to the purchase of approximately 110 acres to be acquired as four contiguous or non-contiguous separate tracts from Verde Corporation as Trustee of the N.D. Hachar Trust located off of FM 1472(Mines Road) East of Pico Road of Mines Road North approximately 900 lineal feet Southwest of IH-35 identified as TQ by Verde Corporation.

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IV. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Trustees, the Special Called Meeting of February 23, 2010 was adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Pat Campos, President

Juan Roberto Ramirez - Secretary