



Brownsville Independent School District

Board of Trustees

Special Called Board Meeting (Amendment #1)

August 27, 2019

5:30 PM

Administration Building

1900 Price Road

Brownsville, Texas 78521-2417

A G E N D A

NOTE: The Board of Trustees may go into Closed/Executive Session to deliberate any item on this agenda as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Notice is hereby given that a quorum of the BISD Board of Trustees will be present at the BISD Board Room located at 1900 E. Price Rd., Brownsville, Texas and Board President, Mrs. Minerva Peña, will conduct said meeting at said location. Board Member, Ms. Laura Perez Reyes, will appear via video conference from San Antonio, Texas and will be physically present at the JW Marriott San Antonio located at 23808 Resort Parkway, San Antonio, TX 78261.

- I. Meeting Called to Order.
- II. Moment of Silence.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance.
- IV. Roll Call:
- V. Recommend approving the **agenda** of the **Special Called Board Meeting of Tuesday, August 27, 2019** with any corrections/deletions.
- VI. **BOARD MEMBER REQUEST(S):**

A. Action Item(s):

1. Discussion, consideration and possible action to return BISD band Instruments Budget as previously projected and or increase the same for 2019-2020. (Board Member Request - EC)
2. Discussion, consideration and possible action to appoint Philip Cowen as Delegate and Dr. Sylvia P. Atkinson as Alternate Delegate for the 2019 TASB Delegate Assembly scheduled to be held on September 21, 2019 in Dallas, Texas. (Board Member Request - MP)
3. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding a Board Resolution to promote 22:1 student teacher ratios at PreK – 5 grade levels; to include PreK 3 and PreK 4

regardless of funding sources. (Board Member Request - SPA)

4. Discussion, consideration and possible action to establish a suitable timeframe and/or deadline for reporting special education teaching vacancies throughout our district. (Board Member Request - SPA)
5. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding a Board Resolution to promote a positive culture of student and staff mental health awareness throughout our district. (Board Member Request - SPA)

VII. Consent Agenda:

A. Recommend approval of the following General Function Item(s):

1. Discussion, consideration and approval to proceed with request for qualifications for an attorney to act as a Hearing Officer on behalf of the Board of Trustees.
2. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 001/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District to participate in described purchasing programs of The Omnia Partners/National IPA/U.S. Communities for the 2019-2020 school year.
3. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 002/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District to participate in described purchasing programs of The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (TASB) for the 2019-2020 school year.
4. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 003/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District to participate in described purchasing programs of the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts for the 2019-2020 school year.
5. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 004/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District to participate in described purchasing programs of the Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative Purchasing programs for the 2019-2020 school year.
6. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 006/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District to participate in described purchasing programs of the Region One-Purchasing Cooperative for the 2019-2020 school year.
7. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 007/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District to participate in the Region One Education Service Center, Edinburg, Texas, Library Services and Instructional Resources Cooperative for the 2019-2020 school year, services to be rendered subject to the District's needs and funding.
8. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 008/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District Food and Nutrition Service Department to participate in the purchasing programs through Region One Education Service Center Child Nutrition Program-South Texas Cooperative during the 2019-2020 school year. There will be no fee paid for 2019-2020 as per Lori Ramos in Region One, Edinburg, Texas.
9. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 009/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District to participate in described purchasing program of the Region VIII Education Service Center (ESC8) (TIPS) for the 2019-2020 school year.
10. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 010/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District to participate in the Harris County Department of Education Cooperative programs for the 2019-2020 school year.

11. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 011/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District to participate in described purchasing program of the Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with the City of Fort Worth, Texas, for the 2019-2020 school year.
12. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 012/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District to participate in the Region XI Education Service Center, Fort Worth, Texas, Technology Resources Education Consortium (TREC), for the 2019-2020 school year, services to be rendered subject to the District's needs and funding.
13. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 013/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District to participate in the TASB Energy Cooperative purchasing program for the 2019-2020 school year.
14. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 014/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District to participate in the National Joint Powers Alliance purchasing program for the 2019-2020 school year.
15. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 015/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District to participate in the Education Service Center Region 19 (ESC19) purchasing program for the 2019-2020 school year.
16. Recommend approval of Resolution No. 016/19-20 for the Brownsville Independent School District to participate in described purchasing programs of the Education Service Center, Region 20 and the Pace Purchasing Cooperative for the 2019-2020 school year.

B. Recommend approval of the following Contract(s)/Agreement(s):

1. Recommend approval to amend the MOU (amendment No. 1) from \$393,470.00 to \$551,000.00 for the 2018-19 Texas 21st Century Learning Centers. This will allow TSC to pay for the overage that occurred. The modified MOU will remain in place until July 31, 2021 unless otherwise amended.
2. Recommend approval to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between Texas Southmost College and the Brownsville Independent School District, at no cost to the district, beginning September 1, 2019 and shall continue from year to year unless a thirty (30) days written notice is provided from either party.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD REGARDING AGENDA ITEM VII. C.

C. Recommend approval of the following Bid(s)/Proposal(s)/Purchase(s)

1. Recommend awarding CSP #20-111 Third Party Administration (TPA) and Excess Insurance For Self-Funded Worker Compensation to Tristar Risk Management Services, Corpus Christi, TX in the amount not to exceed \$305,000.00 for administrative fees & Excess Insurance to Montalvo Insurance Agency/Star Insurance Company in the amount not to exceed \$96,390.00 for a total of three (3) year term with the optional to renew for two (2) additional one (1) year term.
2. Recommend awarding CSP #20-112 TPA Service for the Self-Funded BISD Group Health, Pharmacy Benefit, Stop-Loss, AD&D and Wellness and Disease Management Plan to Blue Cross Blue Shield of Richardson, Texas in the amount not to exceed \$6,134,085.00 and Term Life/AD&D to Dearborn Life Insurance of Lombard, Illinois, in the amount not to exceed \$249,731.11 for a total of a three (3) year term with the option to renew for a two

(2) additional one (1) year term.

VIII. CLOSED MEETING: as pursuant to the Texas Government Code Sections: 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.082, and 551.084.

A. PERSONNEL MATTER(S):

1. Board of Trustees will conduct interviews for the Lead Internal Auditor vacancy for the 2019-2020 School Year.
2. Presentation, acceptance and approval of Retirements. (1)
3. Presentation, acceptance and approval of Resignations. (4)
4. Recommend approval of probationary contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Administrator for Fine Arts - Central Office. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (1)
5. Recommend approval of probationary contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Assistant Band Director. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (1)
6. Recommend approval of probationary contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Choir Director. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (1)
7. Recommend approval of probationary contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Counselor. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (1)
8. Recommend approval of probationary contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Deputy Superintendents - Central Office. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (2)
9. Recommend approval of probationary contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – JROTC Senior Army Instructor. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (1)
10. Recommend approval of probationary contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Nurses. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (2)
11. Recommend approval of probationary contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Principal - Oliveira Middle School. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (1)
12. Recommend approval of probationary contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Special Education Behavior Specialist. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (1)
13. Recommend approval of probationary contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Speech Language Pathologist. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (1)
14. Recommend approval of probationary contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Teachers. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (8)
15. Recommend approval of non-chapter 21 contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Assistant Administrators for Food and Nutrition Services. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (2)
16. Recommend approval of non-chapter 21 contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school

- year(s) – Athletic Trainer. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (1)
- 17. Recommend approval of non-chapter 21 contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Chief Financial Officer - Central Office. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (1)
- 18. Recommend approval of non-chapter 21 contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Lead Internal Auditor - Central Office. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (1)
- 19. Recommend approval of term-chapter 21 contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Chief Technology Officer - Central Office. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (1)
- 20. Recommend approval of term-chapter 21 contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Gear Up Counselor. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (1)
- 21. Recommend approval of term-chapter 21 contractual personnel for the 2019-2020 school year(s) – Teacher. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation. (1)
- 22. Recommend approval to adjust the working days of a professional employee (M.L.S.) for the 2019-2020 School Year.
- 23. Recommend approval to compensate professional employee (M.L.S.) for one (1) year experience earned but not paid in the following school years: 2015-2016, 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019.
- 24. Recommend approval to accept the rescinding agreement of resignation effective July 31, 2019 from professional employee.
- 25. Recommend approval of Superintendent Performance Goals for the 2019-2020 school year.
- 26. Board Self Evaluation.
- 27. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, and duties of the Superintendent.

B. ATTORNEY CONSULTATION

1. Staff Attorney

- a. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding Acacia Ameel vs Brownsville Independent School District.
- b. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding Rita Gracia vs Brownsville Independent School District & Victor Ramirez, Individually.
- c. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding Felisa Van Cise vs Brownsville Independent School District.
- d. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding Guile R. Vela vs Brownsville Independent School District.

2. Board Attorney

- a. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on Elia Lopez vs BISD, Cause No. 1:17-CV-240, pending in the Federal Southern District of Texas, Brownsville Division.

IX. BOARD RECONVENES - Board action on agenda items discussed in Executive Session.

X. Announcement(s):

A. **Next scheduled Board Meeting** of the Board of Trustees is on Tuesday, September 3, 2019.

XI. Adjournment.