# REGULAR VIDEOCONFERENCE BOARD MEETING

# **Minutes**

# Tuesday, February 9, 2021 Immediately After the Public Hearing

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Members of the public who desire to address the board regarding an item on this agenda must comply with the registration procedures before the beginning of the meeting by emailing <u>tgonzales@donnaisd.net</u> or calling 956-464-1642.

The open portions of this meeting will be recorded and made available to the public upon request. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice. For more information on public comment, see Policy BED.

## I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Board President Dr. Maricela Valdez called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. with the following Board of Trustees were in attendance:

Dr. Maricela Valdez, President

Mr. David De Los Rios, Vice President (via Zoom)

Mr. Jose L. Valdez, Secretary

Mr. Fernando Castillo, Trustee

Col Roberto Perez, Trustee

Mr. Jose Rogelio Reyna Jr., Trustee

Mrs. Eva Castillo Watts, Trustee

The following administrators were in attendance:

Dr. Hafedh Azaiez, Superintendent

Mrs. Velma Rangel, Assistant Superintendent of Special Services (via Zoom)

Mr. Rana, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction (via Zoom)

Dr. Anthony Sorola, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources (via Zoom)

Ms. Ludivina Cansino, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations (via Zoom)

Dr. Debra Aceves, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Leadership (via Zoom)

Ms. Rebecca Castaneda, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Leadership (via Zoom)

Mr. Tony Torres, Attorney

Mrs. Linda Romeros, TEA Conservator

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE

Dr. Maricela Valdez led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

The order of these agenda items may be changed. Consideration of items may include deliberation and/or action.

#### II. OPEN FORUM

Dr. Hafedh Azaiez stated the next item on the agenda is the public comment. The public comment portion of our meeting is available to members of the public who wish to address an agenda item to be considered by the Board on tonight's agenda.

Anyone who wants to speak during public comment must sign in prior to the start of the meeting and list the agenda item they want to discuss. Each public comment speaker will be allowed a maximum of 3 minutes. Any public testimony speaker who requires a translator, will receive up to 6 minutes.

The public comment portion of the meeting will allow all speakers who have signed up before the start of the meeting to address the Board at this time regarding an item on today's agenda. I ask that you not discuss students who are not your own child.

Policies DGBA, FNG and GF are available for specific complaints regarding employee, parent and community member complaints respectively. Thank you our first speaker is Mrs. Raquel Martinez. Mrs. Raquel Martinez addressed the Open Forum on the Resolution Indicating the Board's Decision to Nominate Superintendent for Texas Superintendent of the Year and the Internet Tower Update. Mr. Daniel Nuñez also addressed the Open Forum on the Internet Tower Update.

#### III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

## 1. District Highlights

Dr. Hafedh Azaiez presented the district highlights.

2. Recognition of Donna ISD Teachers from Garza
Elementary and Salinas Elementary for their Lesson Study
Publication on the Texas Gateway Online Resources by the
Texas Education Agency

Mrs. Sylvia Vela presented the recognition of Donna ISD Teachers from Garza Elementary and Salinas Elementary for their Lesson Study Publication on the Texas Gateway Online Resources by the Texas Education Agency.

# 3. Feburary LSG Monitoring Report

Goal 2

GPM 2.1

**GPM 2.2** 

**GPM 2.3** 

Superintendent Evaluation of Goal 2 and Next Steps Superintendent Constraint 2

**CPM 2.1** 

**Board Accept/Reject Report** 

Dr. Hafedh Azaiez presented the February LSG Monitoring Report A. Goal 2, GPM 2.1, GPM 2.2, GPM 2.3, B. Superintendent Evaluation of Goal 2 and next steps, C. Superintendent Constraint 2, CPM 2.1 and D. Board accept/reject report.

Trustees Valdez, J. Valdez, Perez, Reyna, De Los Rios, Watts and Castillo accepted the February LSG Monitoring Report A. Goal 2, GPM 2.1, GPM 2.2, GPM 2.3, B. Superintendent Evaluation of Goal 2 and next steps and C. Superintendent Constraint 2 CPM 2.1. report.

4. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Resolution Indicating the Board's Decision to Nominate Superintendent for Texas Superintendent of the Year

Trustee Perez made a motion to approve the Resolution Indicating the Board's Decision to Nominate Superintendent for Texas Superintendent of the Year. Trustees Valdez, Reyna and Watts voted in favor. Trustee Castillo and De Los Rios voted against. Trustee J. Valdez abstained. The motioned carried.

## 5. Internet Tower Update and Discussion

Mr. Albert Chavez and Dr. De Los Santos presented the Internet Tower Update and Discussion.

6. Discussion and Possible Action to Amend DC (Local)
Policy - Employment Practices

No action on this item.

#### IV. CONSENT AGENDA

#### A. BUSINESS AND FINANCE

- 1. Approve Accounts Payable
- 2. Approve Budget Amendments for the Month of February, 2021
- 3. Approve Report on Monthly Tax Collections for the Month of December, 2020
- 4. Approve Financial Statements for the Month of December, 2020
- 5. Approve to Award Benz Lawn Services for Garza Elementary, Muñoz Elementary, Singleterry Elementary and Adame Elementary Schools RFP #101320-566 in the Amount of \$39,588 for One Year
- 6. Approve to Award Benz Lawn Services for Donna North High School RFP # 101320-565 in the Amount of \$54,000 for One Year
- 7. Approve the Renewal of TEAMS Support Maintenance Cloud Hosting, Disaster Recovery, Student Information Systems (On Premise) Unlimited Usage for Internal Employees and Backup Agreement for 2021-2022
- 8. Approve Payment Application No. 3 in the Amount of \$56,930.37 to Quantum-Mechanical Contractors, LLC for HVAC Replacement Project RFP #080320-555
- 9. Approve to Declare Donna ISD's "Non-Operable" Vehicles to be Taken to the Auction

#### B. ACADEMIC SERVICES

- 1. Approve Comprehensive Professional Development Plan as Required by §89.1207 Exceptions and Waivers
- 2. Approve Letter Agreement Between Donna ISD and Grads Give

#### C. SUPPORT SERVICES

1. Approve Minutes for Regular Videoconference Board Meeting January 12, 2021 and Special Videoconference Board Meeting January 25, 2021

Trustee De Los Rios made a motion to approve Consent Agenda (A. Business and Finance – 1. Approve Accounts Payable, 2. Approve Budget Amendments for the

month of February, 2021, 3. Approve Report on Monthly Tax Collections for the Month of December, 2020, 4. Approve Financial Statements for the Month of December, 2020, 5. Approve to Award Benz Lawn Services for Garza Elementary, Muñoz Elementary, Singleterry Elementary and Adame Elementary Schools RFP #101320-566 in the Amount of \$39,588 for One Year, 6. Approve to Award Benz Lawn Services for Donna North High School RFP # 101320-565 in the Amount of \$54,000 for One Year, 7. Approve the Renewal of TEAMS Support Maintenance Cloud Hosting, Disaster Recovery, Student Information Systems (On Premise) Unlimited Usage for Internal Employees and Backup Agreement for 2021-2022, 8. Approve Payment Application No. 3 in the Amount of \$56,930.37 to Quantum-Mechanical Contractors, LLC for HVAC Replacement Project RFP #080320-555, 9. Approve to Declare Donna ISD's "Non-Operable" Vehicles to be Taken to the Auction, B. Academic Services - 1. Approve Comprehensive Professional Development Plan as Required by §89.1207 Exceptions and Waivers, 2. Approve Letter Agreement Between Donna ISD and Grads Give, C. Support Services – 1. Approve Minutes for Regular Videoconference Board Meeting January 12, 2021 and Special Videoconference Board Meeting January 25, 2021). It was second by Trustee Watts. Trustees Valdez, J. Valdez, Reyna, Castillo and Perez voted in favor. The motioned carried.

### V. GOVERNANCE

1. Conservator Monthly Report for December 2020

Mrs. Romeros presented the Conservator Monthly Report for December 2020.

2. Discussion and Possible Action on Board Quarterly Self Evaluation

Trustee Perez made a motion to approve the Board Quarterly Self Evaluation. It was second by Trustee Watts. Trustees Valdez, Reyna, Castillo, J. Valdez and De Los Rios voted in favor. The motioned carried.

- VI. The Board Convened into EXECUTIVE SESSION as Authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.075, 551.076, 551.082, 551.083 and 551.084. (7:57 p.m.)
  - A. Discussion of Superintendent's Recommendation of Personnel
    - Recommendations for Professionals to Include

## **Hiring and Termination Recommendations**

- Update of District Personnel
- B. Conduct and Discuss Level III Grievance of Dr. Diana Villanueva
- C. Discussion and Private Consultation with Attorney Regarding Pending or Contemplated Litigation, Settlement Matters, and/or Matters Where the Professional Duty Under State Board Requires Private Consultation with the School Attorney

The board reconvened back into open session at 8:37 p.m.

# VII. OPEN SESSION - Take possible action on matters discussed in Executive Session.

- A. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Superintendent's Recommendation of Personnel
  - Approval of Recommendation for Professionals to Include Hiring and Termination Recommendations

Trustee De Los Rios made a motion to approve the Superintendent's Recommendation of Personnel, \* Approval of Recommendation for Professionals to Include Hiring and Termination Recommendations. Trustees Castillo, Valdez, Reyna, J. Valdez and Perez voted in favor. The motioned carried.

B. Discussion and Possible Action Level III Grievance of Dr. Diana Villanueva

No action on this item.

C. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Pending or Contemplated Litigation, Settlement Matters, and/or Matters Where the Professional Duty Under State Board Requires Private Consultation with the School Attorney

No action on this item.

# VIII. ADJOURN

Trustee Watts made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was second by Trustee J. Valdez. Trustees Reyna, De Los Rios, Perez, Castillo and Valdez voted in favor. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

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Board of Trustees

Donna ISD

Date Approved: March 9, 2021