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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 21, 2016, beginning at 6:30 PM in the ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Trustee	Present	Absent	Late Arrival
Mrs. Connie Prado	X		
Mrs. Stacey Estrada	X		
Mrs. Angelina Osteguín	X		
Mr. Trinidad Mata	X		
Mr. Carlos Longoria		X	
Mrs. Leticia Guerra	X		
Mrs. Helen Madla-Prather	X		

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Mrs. Guerra.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

1. *Angelica Olvera*, Community Member, addressed the Board regarding an anonymous letter.
2. *Pete Alaniz*, South San AFT, addressed the Board regarding the approval of the recommended Employee Sick Leave Bank.
3. *Tom Cummins*, South San AFT, addressed the Board regarding appreciation to the HR Director in her role on the Employee Sick Leave Bank.
4. *Maribel Flores*, addressed the Board regarding funding of the SA Youth program.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REMARKS (NO ACTION / REPORT ONLY)

Dr. Saavedra addressed the Board and audience regarding the departure of Yvette Valdovinos and introduction of Michelle Martinez as Superintendent's Administrative Assistant as well as two charter schools being built within the district and the impact on

the District.

RECOGNITION

1. Recognition of Principals.

Mrs. Delinda Castro presented the following recognition:

Five Palms Elementary	Positive Campus Culture
Hutchins Elementary	Highest Average Attendance-Elementary
Zamora Middle School	Highest Average Attendance-Secondary
Five Palms Elementary	Highest Increase in Attendance-Elementary
Kazen Middle School	Highest Increase in Attendance-Secondary
Benavidez Elementary	Greatest Academic Gains-Elementary
Dwight Middle School	Greatest Academic Gains-Secondary
Kindred Elementary	Most Distinctions Earned
Yvonne Hernandez	Outstanding First-Year Principal
Yvonne Hernandez	Principal of the Year

PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS

1. Presentation of the 2016 Distinction Designations awarded to South San Antonio ISD for Academic Achievement in English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Top 25% Student Progress, Top 25% Closing the Performance Gaps and Post-Secondary Readiness.

Mrs. Delinda Castro was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

2. Presentation of the FitchRating Report on South San Antonio Independent School District.

Dr. Abelardo Saavedra and Mr. Richard Acosta were called to present and answer questions related to this item.

3. Quarterly Investment report as of August 2016.

Mr. Jesus Martinez was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

4. Report on Enrollment.

Dr. Abelardo Saavedra and Ms. Angelica Garza were called to present and answer questions related to this item.

CONSENT

1. Approval of Board Policies: Update 105 and Update 106.

2. Approve amendment to Board Policy DEC(LOCAL).

Mrs. Monica Lopez was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

3. Approve amendment to Board Policy DNA(LOCAL).

4. Approve amendment to Board Policy DNB(LOCAL).

5. Approve the contract between Bexar County Elections and South San Antonio ISD for the November 8, 2016 School Board Elections for Single Member Districts 2, 3, 5 and 7 in the amount of \$37,420.21.

The amount was updated to \$36,200.81.

6. Approve the renewal of self-funded Excess Workers' Compensation insurance with Safety National for the 2016-17 school year. Renewal contract is not to exceed \$82,531.00.

Dr. Abelardo Saavedra and Mrs. Peggy Gonzales were called to present and answer questions related to this item.

7. Approve the memorandum of understanding between South San Antonio ISD and ChildSafe to provide online training for the identification and prevention of child abuse.

8. Approve the memorandum of understanding between South San Antonio ISD and Boy Scouts of America, Alamo Area Council to serve South San Antonio Student by building character, citizenship and personal wellness.

9. Approve the renewal subscription of Odysseyware for the 2016-2017 school year to provide students opportunities to attain high school course credit utilizing online courseware.

Mrs. Lorraine DeLeon was called to present and answer questions related to this item.

10. Approve an upgrade of computers in the High School Engineering Lab to support and facilitate student learning and inquiry at the secondary level to enhance digital and technological skills in high school Project Lead the Way (PLTW) STEM courses.

11. Approve the purchase of 30 Chromebooks and a charging cart for the Exploring Careers course at each middle school to support and facilitate student learning and inquiry at the secondary level to enhance digital and technological skills in middle school Exploring Careers courses.

Dr. Gardner and Mr. Scott Laleman called to present and answer questions related to this item.

12. Approve the purchase of three (3) Ford Interceptor utility vehicles for the police department from Silsbee Ford using TASB Buyboard Contract #430-13. The contract amount of the three (3) vehicles is \$105,775.75.

13. Approve the purchase of two (2) school buses for the transportation department from Rush Truck Centers using TASB Buyboard Contract #459-14. The contract amount of the two (2) school buses will not exceed \$180,339.00.

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

14. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes:

- A. August 17, 2016 Special Meeting**
- B. August 17, 2016 Regular Meeting**
- C. September 6, 2016 Regular Meeting**

Upon motion by Mr. Mata, seconded by Mrs. Madla-Prather, the Board of Trustees moved to approve consent agenda items 1 – 14 as presented. 6/0 Motion passed.

DISCUSSION / POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Discussion and possible action to approve two (2) Class Size Waivers pursuant to Texas Education Code 25.112 at Five Palms Elementary (First Grade) to ensure no disruption of the established instructional program.

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

Upon motion by Mr. Mata, seconded by Mrs. Madla-Prather, the Board of Trustees moved to approve two Class Size Waivers as presented.

Upon amended motion by Mrs. Prado, seconded by Mrs. Osteguin, the Board of Trustees moved to deny the waivers and the Superintendent utilize the appropriated CTU's that were appropriated in the budget process to hire the one extra teacher for Five Palms 1st grade. 4/2 Amendment passed.

Roll Call Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Mrs. Prado	X		
Mrs. Estrada	X		
Mrs. Osteguin	X		
Mr. Mata		X	
Mrs. Guerra	X		
Mrs. Madla-Prather		X	

Upon motion by Mrs. Prado, seconded by Mrs. Osteguin, the Board of Trustees moved to deny the waivers and the Superintendent utilize the appropriated CTU's that were appropriated in the budget process to hire the one extra teacher for Five Palms 1st grade.

4/2 Motion passed.

Roll Call Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Mrs. Prado	X		
Mrs. Estrada	X		
Mrs. Osteguín	X		
Mr. Mata		X	
Mrs. Guerra	X		
Mrs. Madla-Prather		X	

In accordance with TEC 39.111 the Board is directed to approve the recommendations by the Superintendent and approve the waivers.

Mrs. Prado asked that the record note The Board did approve the extra teacher at Five Palms Elementary for the first grade and denied the waiver in order to balance out the classes so the parents and the students will not have over 22 students in those 2 classes. At the direction of the Conservator, the Board was denied their vote.

2. Discussion and possible action to approve the memorandum of understanding between South San Antonio ISD and SA Youth to implement and develop a successful after school youth development and educational program for the 2016-17 school year.

Mr. David Abundis and Ms. Cynthia LeMonds were called to present and answer questions related to this item.

Upon motion by Mrs. Madla-Prather, seconded by Mrs. Estrada, the Board of Trustees moved to approve keeping SA Youth no later than October 15 and direct Dr. Saavedra to implement an afterschool program for the use of seven facilities. 6/0 Motion passed.

Roll Call Vote:	Yes	No	Abstained
Mrs. Prado	X		
Mrs. Estrada	X		
Mrs. Osteguín	X		
Mr. Mata	X		
Mrs. Guerra	X		
Mrs. Madla-Prather	X		

3. Discussion and possible action to approve a Board Policy that prohibits school board election campaign contributions from contractors and vendors that conduct business with South San Antonio ISD.

Mr. Kevin O'Hanlon, Mrs. Madla-Prather and Mr. Mata were called to present and answer

questions related to this item.

No action taken.

4. Discussion and possible action concerning secondary block scheduling.

Mrs. Estrada asked that this item be placed on the agenda.

No action taken.

5. Discussion and possible action on Board Resolution regarding employee reimbursement.

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

No action taken.

CLOSED / EXECUTIVE SESSION

Closed session began at 10:10 p.m.

Returned to open session at 11:24 p.m.

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

1. Discussion concerning personnel matters pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074.

No action taken.

2. Level III employee grievance hearings pursuant to Texas Government Code §§ 551.074.

Mrs. Estrada recommended the Superintendent accept the request of Ms. Maria Alaqueiz

3. Consultation with legal counsel and discussion regarding pursuing sanctions against an educator who has abandoned his contract pursuant to 19 TAC 249.14.

Upon motion by Mrs. Prado, seconded by Mrs. Osteguin, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously not to accept the resignation and to authorize the superintendent to pursue job abandonment complaint with the State Board for Educator Certification. 6/0 Motion passed.

4. Consultation with attorney and discussion and possible action regarding the Superintendent's Evaluation.

This item will be brought back to the next board meeting for discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mrs. Madla-Prather, seconded by Mr. Estrada, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:29 p.m.

ATTEST



Connie Prado, Board President



Angelina Osteguin, Board Secretary