

# Minutes of Special Meeting

## The Board of Directors South Texas ISD

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A Special Called Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of South Texas ISD was held Tuesday, May 21, 2019, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Biblioteca Las Americas Lecture Hall, 300 Med High Drive, Mercedes, Texas.

### 1. Welcome.

Doug Buchanan, Board President, welcomed the guests, staff and fellow Board members.

### 2. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order by Board President Doug Buchanan at 6:00 p.m. at which time he was assured by Superintendent, Dr. Marco Antonio Lara, Jr. that notices of this meeting were posted properly according to the laws of Texas and that a quorum of the Board was present.

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| Douglas E. Buchanan       | Raymondville   |
| Graciela Camargo          | Weslaco        |
| Abiel J. Cantú            | Raymondville   |
| Eduardo L. "Larry" Cantu  | Los Fresnos    |
| Martin Castillo, DC       | Edinburg       |
| Yolanda Cuellar           | Progreso Lakes |
| Homero Garcia             | Weslaco        |
| Hector Gonzales           | Lyford         |
| Henry LeVrier             | Brownsville    |
| Sylvia S. Lopez           | Brownsville    |
| Ramon Montalvo, III       | Weslaco        |
| Israel G. Quintanilla     | Raymondville   |
| Eduardo Roberto Rodriguez | Brownsville    |
| Jaime R. Solis            | Edinburg       |
| Rick Villarreal, D.D.S.   | Brownsville    |

The following Board members were absent:

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| Yolanda Chapa       | McAllen     |
| Javier Farias       | McAllen     |
| Richard Fleming, MD | Mission     |
| Adrian Garcia       | Brownsville |
| Margarita Garcia    | San Juan    |

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| Sylvia Sanchez Garza, Ph.D. | Edinburg    |
| Robert J. Lerma             | Brownsville |
| Irma Perez-Treviño          | Harlingen   |
| Rebecca Villarreal          | Peñitas     |

The following staff members were present:

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| Marco Antonio Lara, Jr., Ed.D. | Jeff Hembree   |
| J.P. Villarreal                | Marla R. Knaub |
| Sonia E. Rodriguez             | Amanda Odom    |

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board of Directors met on May 21, 2019 at 6:02 p.m. in a closed or executive session as pursuant to the Texas Government Code Section, 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.082, 551.084 and 551.001. The Presiding Officer appointed Mr. Henry LeVrier to record the minutes of the closed session to discuss the following::

- A. 551.074, 551.071 Personnel Matters and consultation with school attorney regarding Personnel Matters: Closed Meeting
  - 1. Recommendation to take final action to non-renew chapter 21 term employment contracts at the end of the 2018-2019 school year for the following: Teachers
    - a. Pursuant to 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, deliberations concerning final action on the non-renewal of the Chapter 21 term contract of employees (A.G., A.G., R.G.) employed in the South Texas Business, Education & Technology Academy due to program change.
- B. Deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property pursuant to Section 5541.072 of the Texas Government Code.

The Board of Directors ended the executive session at 6:32 p.m.

4. OPEN SESSION: Action on any Item Deliberated in Closed Meeting

- A. A.551.074, 551.071 Personnel Matters and consultation with school attorney regarding Personnel Matters:
  - 1. Action: Review and act on recommendations to take final action to non-renew chapter 21 term employment contracts at the end of the 2018-2019 school year for the following: teachers
    - a. Consider and take possible final action to non-renew chapter 21 term employment contracts for employees A.G, A.G. and R.G. due to program change at the end of the 2018-2019 school year.

A motion was made by Mr. LeVrier, seconded by Mr. Solis to non-renew the 2018-2019 Chapter 21 term contracts of teachers Rosa Gonzalez, Alejandro Garcia and Aaron Garza due to program change, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 contract period and authorize the Superintendent to

issue the required notices of such action, as required by law. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property and possible consultation with attorney regarding real property pursuant to Section 551.072, 551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

1. Possible action to authorize Superintendent to engage a real estate broker and explore District's options with regard to the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.

A motion was made by Dr. Castillo, seconded by Mr. Solis, authorizing the Superintendent to proceed as discussed in closed session. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Review and possible discussion of 2019-2020 Employee Compensation.

A motion was made by Mr. L. Cantu, seconded by Mrs. Cuellar tabling this agenda item due to information not yet available from the legislative session. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Adjournment.

A motion was made by Mr. A. J. Cantu, seconded by Mr. Solis, adjourning the board meeting at 6:36 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.