

Minutes of Special Meeting

The Board of Directors South Texas ISD

A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of South Texas ISD was held Wednesday, September 26, 2018, beginning at 5:45 PM in the Biblioteca Las Americas Lecture Hall, 300 Med High Drive, Mercedes, Texas.

1. Welcome.

Joe L. Lopez, Board President, welcomed his fellow Board members.

2. Pledges of Allegiance.

The pledges were led by Board member Irma Perez Treviño.

3. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order by Board President Joe L. Lopez at 6:05 p.m. at which time he was assured by Superintendent, Marla M. Guerra that notices of this meeting were posted properly according to the laws of Texas and that a quorum of the Board was present.

The following Board members were present:

Douglas E. Buchanan	Raymondville
Graciela Camargo	Weslaco
Eduardo L. "Larry" Cantu	Los Fresnos
Abiel J. Cantú	Raymondville
Yolanda Chapa	McAllen
Yolanda Cuellar	Progreso Lakes
Javier Farias	McAllen
Homero Garcia	Weslaco
Margarita Garcia	San Juan
Sylvia Sanchez Garza, Ph.D.	Edinburg
Hector Gonzales	Lyford
Maria G. Leal	Palmhurst
Henry LeVrier	Brownsville
Joe L. "Joey" Lopez	Brownsville
Ramon Montalvo, III	Weslaco
Berta Palacios	San Juan
Irma Perez-Treviño	Harlingen
Israel G. Quintanilla	Raymondville
Rebecca Villarreal	Peñitas
Rick Villarreal, D.D.S.	Brownsville

The following Board members were absent:

Richard Fleming, MD	Mission
Adrian Garcia	Brownsville
Robert J. Lerma	Brownsville
Eliceo Muñoz, III	Brownsville

The following staff members were present:

Marla M. Guerra, Ed.D.
Sonia E. Rodriguez

The following guests were present:

Gary Patterson - Superintendent Search Educational Consultant
Paige Kyle – Walsh Gallegos

4. Moment of Silence.

The Board held a moment of silence.

5. CLOSED MEETING: The Board met on September 26, 2018 at 6:05 p.m. in a closed or executive session in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section, 551.074. The Presiding Officer appointed Sonia E. Rodriguez to record the minutes of the closed session to discuss the following

- A. Pursuant to Tex. Govt. Code 551.074, conduct interviews of applicants for the superintendent position.
- B. Pursuant to Tex. Govt. Code 551.074, consider and discuss applicants for the superintendent position and possible naming of finalist.
- C. Pursuant to Tex. Govt. Code 551.071, attorney consultation regarding legal issues related to employment of new Superintendent.

The Board of Directors ended the executive session at 6:41 p.m.

6. OPEN MEETING

- A. Consider and take possible action to name finalist for the Superintendent position.

A motion was made by Doug Buchanan, seconded by Maria Leal, naming Dr. Marco Antonio “Tony” Lara, Jr. as the finalist for the Superintendent position. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Adjournment.

A motion was made by Henry LeVrier, seconded by Yolanda Cuellar, adjourning the board meeting at 6:42 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.