

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HARLINGEN CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
AUGUST 14, 2007**

The Board of Trustees of the Harlingen Consolidated Independent School District met in a Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, August 14, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Harlingen CISD Administration Building located at 407 N. 77 Sunshine Strip, Harlingen, Texas. Cesar Maldonado, Board President, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cesar Maldonado, George McShan, Javier De Leon, Verna Young, Omar Cano and Lyle Garza

MEMBERS ABSENT: Gerry Fleuriet

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Linda Wade, Art Cavazos, Tricia Morrow, Ramiro Flores, Julio Cavazos, Rosalinda Vargas, and Sonia Brown

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS: Gil Tello was recognized by the Board for having been selected by the Family and Consumer Sciences Teachers Association of Texas to receive the 2007 Outstanding Career and Technology Administrator Award.

Joy Gutierrez was recognized by the Board for having been selected by the Family and Consumer Sciences Teachers Association of Texas to receive the 2007 Outstanding Counselor Award.

Thomas Segel, Valley Morning Star freelance reporter, was recognized by the Board for having been recently named to the Media Honor Roll, a program sponsored by TASB. The Media Honor Roll recognizes media representatives statewide who deserve recognition for fair and balanced reporting of news about public schools.

ARCHITECTS' REPORTS: Ramiro Flores reported on the following construction projects: **Boggus Stadium** – American Contracting is nearing completion with the masonry veneer and about 80% complete with the new restrooms. The parking lot has been blue topped and the ornamental fencing is 35% complete. The contractor is currently re-plastering the press box as well. **New Elementary School** – All permits have been acquired and the contractor has been given notice to proceed. The project is underway with a start date of August 1, 2007.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

CONSENT AGENDA: A motion was made by George McShan to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- a. Minutes of the July 10, 2007 Regular Board Meeting as written, July 25, 2007 Special Board Meeting as written and July 25, 2007 Public Facility Corporation as corrected.
- b. Budget Amendments as recommended by the Administration.
- c. August tax refunds as recommended by the Administration.

- d. Award of Proposals as follows: 1) Library Books Catalog Term Bid, 2) Library Supplies Catalog Term Bid, 3) Periodicals, 4) Renewal – Fleet Liability Insurance, 5) Renewal – School Professional and General Liability Insurance, 6) Landscaping & Irrigation for Three HCISD Campuses, 7) Athletic Baseball Supplies Line Items, 8) Athletic Baseball Supplies Catalog Term Bid, 9) Athletic Softball Supplies Line Items, 10) Athletic Softball Supplies Catalog Term Bid, 11) Paper Products Line Item Term Bid, 12) Paper Products Catalog Term Bid, 13) Tango TPRI Software Line Item, and 14) Tango TPRI Software Catalog Term Bid.
- e. Approval of an Interlocal Agreement between Harlingen CISD and the Harlingen Performing Arts Theater Board as recommended by the Administration.
- f. Revision of Board Policy DAA (Local) on 2nd reading as recommended by the Administration.

Javier De Leon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **(Budget Amendments, Tax Refunds, Award of Proposals, and Interlocal Agreement between HCISD and HPAT are filed with these minutes.**

APPROVAL OF TEXAS EDU. EXEL. GRANT CYCLE II:

A motion was made by Verna Young to approve the Texas Educator Excellence Grant Cycle II as recommended by the Administration. Omar Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **(Texas Educator Excellence Grant Cycle II is filed with these minutes.)**

APPROVAL OF PROCESS FOR SECURING ELEC. ENERGY PROVIDER:

A motion was made by George McShan to approve the retail electric providers (REP) and to delegate authority to the Superintendent or designee to execute a binding contract with the REP submitting the most advantageous pricing to the District. Javier De Leon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF REVISED EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS:

A motion was made by Verna Young to approve the revision of the employment applications for professionals and classified staff as presented by Rosalinda Vargas. Omar Cano seconded the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MOU FOR SAVE & RESOURCE OFFICERS:

A motion was made by Omar Cano to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for SAVE and School Resource Officers as presented by Tricia Morrow. Javier De Leon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **(Memorandum of Understanding is filed with these minutes.)**

APPROVAL OF WORKER'S COMP. INS.:

A motion was made by George McShan to approve the Worker's Compensation Insurance for 2007-2008 as presented by Julio Cavazos. Verna Young seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **(Worker's Compensation Insurance tabulations are filed with these minutes.)**

APPROVAL OF REPAINTING OF MASCOTS AT BOGGUS STADIUM:

A motion was made by Javier De Leon to approve the repainting of the mascots on the press box at Boggus Stadium as presented by Ramiro Flores. Omar Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF SUPT'S PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: A motion was made by Javier De Leon to approve the Superintendent's Performance Objectives for 2007-2008 as recommended by the Superintendent. George McShan seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **(Superintendent's Performance Objectives are filed with these minutes.)**

APPROVAL OF DELEGATE & ALTERNATE FOR 2007 TASB ASSEMBLY : A motion was made by Javier De Leon to appoint George McShan as the Delegate for the 2007 TASB Delegate Assembly. Omar Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Omar Cano to appoint Javier De Leon as the Alternate for the 2007 TASB Delegate Assembly. George McShan seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CAREER & TECHNOLOGY REPORT: Gil Tello, Director of Career & Technology, presented a Career & Technology report highlighting all the programs offered to students throughout the year.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT, DUAL ENROLL. REPORT: Judy Nading, Director of Advanced Placement Services, provided a PowerPoint presentation analyzing the Advanced Academic Programs for HCISD for the 1994-2007 school years. Mrs. Nading stated that the Advanced Placement, Dual Enrollment and Adjunct Instructor Programs continue to grow.

MONTHLY TAX COLLECTION INFORMATION: Julio Cavazos provided monthly tax collection information for the Board's review. **(Monthly Tax Collection Information is filed with these minutes.)**

SPECIAL REVENUES FUND INFORMATION: Julio Cavazos provided Special Revenues Funds Information for the Board's review. **(Special Revenues Fund Information is filed with these minutes.)**

MONTHLY FINANCIALS REPORT: Julio Cavazos provided a Monthly Financials Report for the Board's review. **(Monthly Financials Report is filed with these minutes.)**

CERTIFIED TAX ROLL, CERTIFIED TAX COLLECT. RATE & TAX COLLECTION INFORMATION: Julio Cavazos presented information provided by the Cameron Appraisal District, Tax Office and information compiled by the Administration. Mr. Cavazos reported the appraisal district is certifying our appraisal roll. Appraised Market Value is \$3,620,007,389. Taxable Value is \$2,920,308,734. Market Value still under review by the Appraisal Review Board is \$1,209,727. The tax office is anticipating 100% collection of property taxes to include penalties and interest. **(Certified Tax Roll, Certified Tax Collection Rate & Tax Collection Information is filed with these minutes.)**

EXECUTIVE SESSION: **Presiding Officer Cesar Maldonado called for an Executive Session at 8:58 p.m. in accordance with Sections 551.071, 551.074 and 551.082, the Texas Open Government Code (The Texas Open Meetings Act) to discuss:**

- a. Discuss Employment of Teachers and Other Professional Staff
- b. Discuss Employment of Coordinator for Special Programs
- c. Discuss Employment of Assistant Principal for Zavala Elementary School
- d. Discuss Employment of Director of Child Nutrition
- e. Discuss Administrators' Contract Recommendations for the 2007-2008 School Year

OPEN SESSION: The meeting reconvened into Open Session at 9:26 p.m.

**EMPLOYMENT
OF TEACHERS
AND OTHER
PROFESSIONAL
STAFF:**

A motion was made by George McShan to approve the employment of the following teachers and other professional staff for the 2007-2008 school year: David L. Casebeer, Maria Castellanos, Marlene Carper, Roberto E. Cavazos, Yesenia Cavazos, Maria De La Fuente, Marybel Esquivel, Vanessa Flores, Teri Graham, Jaime Gomez, Mark Gonzalez, Arthur Hayes, Heather Bothwell, Jessica Daniell Hruska, Karen M. Hutchinson, Debra A. Ingram, Darla Jackson, Lora Jalomo, Gregory P. Kerr, Joe R. Martinez, Claudia Mendez, Erasmo E. Montelongo, Viviana Mora, Brynn K. Myers, Janette McKinney, Adriana Orozco, Jose Fidencio Ortiz, Lisa L. Padron, Hector Penaflor, Jennifer Perez, Roxanne Rangel, Rolando Reyes, Joseph Rigdon, Rodney Rodriguez, Rosemary Rudd, Elizabeth S. Salazar, Brenda Rae Saenz, Benjamin Silva, Elizabeth Simo, John Tamez, Amanda Tijerina, Erika Vela, Sun Mi Yoo and Hector Zamora as recommended by the Superintendent. Lyle Garza seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**EMPLOYMENT
COORD. OF
SPECIAL PROGS.:**

A motion was made by Javier De Leon to approve the employment of Diana Rosales to fill the position of Coordinator of Special Programs as recommended by the Superintendent. Omar Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**EMPLOYMENT
OF ASST. PRIN.
AT ZAVALA:**

A motion was made by Javier De Leon to approve the employment of Herminia Ramirez to fill the position of Assistant Principal at Zavala Elementary School as recommended by the Superintendent. Verna Young seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**EMPLOYMENT
DIR. OF CHILD
NUTRITION:**

A motion was made by Verna Young to approve the employment of Judy Baker to fill the position of Director of Child Nutrition as recommended by the Superintendent. Lyle Garza seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF
ADMIN.
CONTRACT
RECOMMENDATIONS:**

A motion was made by George McShan to approve the Administrators' Contract Recommendations for the 2007-2008 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Verna Young seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

READ AND APPROVED:

PRESIDING OFFICER

DATE