Notice of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees
South Texas ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of South Texas ISD will be held August 26, 2014, beginning at 7:00 PM in the La Quinta Inn & Suites Conference Room, 128 North Expressway 77 Raymondville, TX.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice.

Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

1. Welcome.
3. Board Meeting called to order.
5. Moment of Silence.
6. Approval of Consent Agenda.
   In order to promote efficient meetings, the Board may act upon more than one item by a single vote through the use of consent agenda. Consent items shall be items placed on the Agenda marked with an asterisk (*) for which no Board discussion is anticipated and for which the Superintendent recommends approval. Prior to the meeting, at the request of any member of the Board of Directors, any item on the consent agenda shall be removed and given individual consideration. Requests for individual consideration are made at least a half-hour prior to Board meetings and requests must be directed to either the Board President or the Superintendent.
7. Public participation at South Texas ISD Board Meetings: Allotted time to hear persons who desire to make comments to the Board (BED Local) (S 1).
   A. *Report on professional vacancies.
   E. *Action: Review and act on announcement of vacancies for teacher tutors (S 1).
   H. *Action: Review and act on contracting with Student Alternatives Program, Inc. to provide education instruction to Disciplinary Alternative Education Program (DAEP) students.
   I. *Action: Review and act on request from teacher, Michael Pozuc, to use six consecutive days of state personal leave to lead a group participating in World Day for Families in Philadelphia, PA.
   J. *Action: Review and act on revisions of Policy BBF (LOCAL) Board Members Ethics.
   L. Action: Review and act on name for Cameron County Junior High.
   M. Action: Review and act on recommendation from the Facilities Naming Subcommittee on the naming of the Med High addition.
   N. Report on Localized Board Policy Update 100: First Reading

10. Buildings & Grounds - Richard Fleming, MD & Hector Gonzales, Co-Chairs
    A. Reports on the following (S 1):
       1. Med High addition
       2. Cameron County Academy
    C. Action: Review and act on the facilities/capital improvement projects for the 2014-2015 school year pending approval of budget.
    D. Action: Review and act on the following change orders:
       1. Wastewater Treatment Plant, Phase I, change order #1 to the contract
       2. Med High re-roof, change order #1 to contract
E. Action: Review and act on approving the Med High re-roofing project as substantially complete (S1).

11. Finance - Eliceo Muñoz, III & Israel G. Quintanilla, Co-Chairs

   1. South Texas Independent School District

B. *Action: Review and act on school district investment reports.
   1. Investments owned by the district.
   2. Investments held by Wilmington Trust for the South Texas ISD Public Facilities Corporation.

C. *Action: Review and act on checks written since last report.

D. *Report on Child Nutrition Program statement of revenues & expenditures(S1).

E. *Action: Review and act on contract with Moak, Casey & Associates for legislative services.

F. *Action: Review and act on continuing the Risk Management unemployment compensation program with TASB.

G. Action: Review and act on approving proposals for the property, liability and fleet insurance.

H. Action: Review and act on the following payment applications (S 1):
   1. D. Wilson Construction's application for payment #9 for construction services for the Med High addition project.
   2. D. Wilson Construction's application for payment #9 for construction services for the Cameron County Academy.
   3. Gomez Mendez Saenz Inc.'s application for payment #10 for the Med High addition project.
   4. 5-Star Construction's final application for payment for the MDF room upgrades.
   5. Rain Seal Roofing's application for payment #2 and final payment for the Med High re-roofing project.
   6. Gomez Mendez Saenz Inc.'s final application for payment #3 for the Med High re-roofing project.
   7. Ferris and Flinn, LLC's application for payment #11 for the waste water treatment plant.
   8. Gomez Mendez Saenz Inc.'s application for payment #5 for the Cameron County Academy.
   9. Mechanical Reps Inc.'s application for payments for the Edinburg Complex air handler replacement project.

I. Action: Review and act on Resolution adopting the tax rate for the 2014-2015 fiscal year.

J. Action: Review and act on Resolution adopting the 2014-2015 school year
K. Action: Review and act on designating $3 million of fund balance.


M. Action: Review and act on upcoming payments to:
   1. Infinite Campus
   2. ERO Architects

N. Action: Review and act on requisition #032904 to Touch of Life Technologies, Inc. for a dissecting table for Med High.

12. Superintendent's Report - M. Guerra, Ed.D.

   A. *Campus Reports.
      1. STPA - A. Castro
      2. Medical Academy - H. Goette
      3. BETA - N. Casarez, Ed.D.
      4. Med High - B. Heater, Ph.D.
      5. Science Academy - M. Aranda

   B. *Action: Review and act on the following out of district student/staff travel (S 1, 4, 5):
      1. IB Program Workshop, September 27-29, 2014, Denver, CO
      2. Universal Service Administrative Company E-Rate Conference, October 12-14, 2014, Minneapolis, MN

   C. *Action: Review and act on proposed South Texas Independent School District Education Foundation Memorandum of Understanding; and authorization to spend up to $5,000 for recognition and support of the South Texas ISD Education Foundation (S 2).

   D. *Quarterly report on South Texas ISD Education Foundation (S 2).
   F. *Action: Review and act on Texas Association of Sports Officials RGV Softball Chapter's request for the extended use of Med High Cafeteria.
   G. Action: Review and act on pending Certification (Election Code 2.052) of unopposed status of candidates for election to South Texas ISD trustee office:
      1. Robert J. Lerma, Cameron County Commissioner's Precinct 1
      2. Eduardo L. Cantu, Cameron County Commissioner's Precinct 3
      3. Douglas E. Buchanan, Willacy County Commissioner's Precinct 4
   H. Action: Review and act on Resolution declaring each unopposed candidate, as per certification, elected to the office of School Board Director and authorize an issuance of a certificate of election (Election Code 2.053).

13. *Correspondence.
14. EXECUTIVE SESSION: A closed or executive session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Chp. 268, Section 551.001 et al, 1993 Tex. Sess. Law 589 (Vernon), the Board may go into Executive Session to discuss the following:

A. 551.074, 551.071 Personnel Matters and possible consultation with school attorney regarding Personnel Matters: Closed Meeting
      a. Teachers
      b. Nurse
      c. Counselor
      d. Distance Learning Facilitators
   2. Rescission of employment teacher contract.

15. OPEN SESSION:

A. Personnel Matters:
      a. Teachers
      b. Nurse
      c. Counselor
      d. Distance Learning Facilitators


If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

The notice for this meeting was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act on ________________ at ________________.

For the Board of Trustees