

NOTICE OF MEETING
La Joya Independent School District
Board of Trustee
Regular Called Meeting
Leadership Development Center
Wednesday, May 9, 2007
6:30 P.M.

At anytime during the course of this meeting, the Board may retire to Executive Session under Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (2) to confer with its legal counsel on any subject matter in this agenda in which the duty of the school district's attorney to the school district's Board of Trustees under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. At anytime during the course of this meeting, the Board of Trustees may retire to Executive Session to deliberate on any subject slated for discussion at this meeting, as may be permitted under one or more of the exceptions to the Open Meetings Act set forth in Title 5, Subtitle A, Chapter 551, Subchapter D of the Texas Government Code.

AT THIS MEETING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MAY DELIBERATE ON AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

I. Call Meeting to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of Minutes

1. Regular Called Meeting - April 25, 2007

IV. Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent will present and discuss the following items with the Board:

1. Enrollment Report for May 1, 2007
2. Recognition of La Joya Senior High School Student, Maria Cecilia Rodriguez and Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica Sponsor, Ana Santos
3. Recognition of Maria de Jesus Escamilla for Being Selected as the 1st Place (State Champ) Winner of the 2007 State Bar of Texas Law Day Photographer Contest
4. Recognition of District Librarians for Million-Book Milestone
5. Recognition of 4th & 5th Grade Students at Benavides Elementary who have Recently Been Recognized as Reading Renaissance Millionaires
6. Recognition of 4th Grade Student at Benavides Elementary who has Recently Been Recognized as the 1st 2 Million Reading Renaissance Millionaire
7. Recognition of Two 5th Grade Students at Benavides Elementary Nominated for Their Academic Achievement by the State of Texas Honor Roll
8. Recognition of Lloyd Bentsen Elementary Reading Renaissance Millionaires
9. Recognition of Career & Technology Education (CATE) Students who have Excelled in Competition
10. Recognition of Varsity Boys and Girls Soccer Teams
11. Recognition of UIL (Academics) Students who Advanced to Regional and State Competition
12. Community Recognition Initiative (Family of Jose Maria Garza and Eva C. Garza from Penitas)

V. Discussion Items

1. Discussion/Update on Elementary School No. 23 Mata Villarreal Garcia Design Group
2. Discussion on the Position of Career Placement Officers
3. Discussion of Grants in Process with Intent to Apply
4. Discussion on Social Security Questions for Employees

VI. Public Comments

VII. Consent Agenda

In order to promote efficient meetings, the Board may act on more than one item by a single vote through the use of a consent agenda. The consent agenda shall be comprised of items for which the Superintendent anticipates no board deliberation prior to action being taken on the item and for which the Superintendent recommends approval. Consent agenda items are items placed on this Agenda and marked with an asterisk (*). At the request of any member of the Board of Trustees, any item on the consent agenda shall be removed from the consent agenda and given individual deliberation and action. Requests for removal of an item from the consent agenda are to be made to the presiding officer at the time that the consent agenda is up for consideration.

A. Into Executive Session

- Deliberation on Employment of Professional, Classified & Auxiliary Personnel (Texas Government Code Sec. 551.074)
 - Personnel for Summer Programs

- Deliberation on Superintendent's Recommendation to Non-Renew Jose Guerra, One Year Term Contract for the 2007-2008 School Year Bentsen Elementary, 4th Grade Teacher
- Level III Grievance Hearing on Hermelinda Salinas, Bus Aide, Transportation Department
- La Joya ISD vs. Kell Muñoz Presentation by Counsel and Any Necessary Action
- Discussion/Update on Audit Report for the Business Office
- Discussion/Update on Ongoing Audit of Physical Plant Operations Department
- Discussion/Update on 2006 Bond Interest at Lone Star Bank
- Deliberation on Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property (Texas Government Code Sec. 551.072)

B. Out of Executive Session

VIII. C. Contracts

- 1.* *Discussion/Action to Pass a School District Resolution to Authorize the Submittal of Application to the Texas Department of Transportation's FY 2007-2008 Texas Safe Routes to School Grant Program*
- 2.* *Discussion/Action of Approval of Contract Services for Sonrisa Enterprises*
- 3.* *Discussion/Action of Annual Subscription Renewal for the Electronic Registrar Online (ERO)*
- 4.* *Discussion/Action of School District Participation in the Schlechty for Leadership in School Reform Network for the 2007-2008 School Year*
- 5.* *Discussion/Action of Pearson Digital Learning Software Service Contract, Learning Staff Development Training Days and Licenses for Two New Elementaries for the 2007-2008 School Year*
- 6.* *Discussion/Action of Bilingual/ESL Consultant Services by Dr. George Gonzalez for Summer School and Summer School Staff Development*
- 7.* *Discussion/Action of Contract to Allow 1st, 4th, 7th, and 10th Grade Students to Attend Field Trips to Museum of South Texas (MOST) History in Edinburg, Texas*
- 8.* *Discussion/Action of Renewal Contract to Extend Warranty on 31 Scanners Currently Used in District*
- 9.* *Discussion/Action to Approve Contract with the University of Texas - Pan American to Provide the Services of the Texas Prefreshman Engineering Program (TexPREP)*
- 10.* *Discussion/Action of Contract of AEIS-IT and WebCCAT Services Through Region One Education Service Center*
- 11.* *Discussion/Action of Renewal of Reading Renaissance Support for 2007-2008 School Year*
- 12.* *Discussion/Action of Yearly Contract for 2007-2008 with Intercultural Development Research Association (IDRA) for the Coca-Cola Valued Youth Program*
- 13.* *Discussion/Approval of Scholastic RED On-line Staff Development Contract for New Teachers to the District on Best Reading Practices*
- 14.* *Discussion/Action of 2007-2008 Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) Contract*
- 15.* *Discussion/Action to Purchase the Agile Mind Online Learning Service for all High Schools in La Joya ISD for 2007-2008*
- 16.* *Discussion/Action of READ 180 Contract for Technical Maintenance and Support for 30 Campuses*
- 17.* *Discussion/Action of READ 180 Contract for Stage A, Computer Based Reading Program with Technical Support Package*
- 18.* *Discussion/Action of Renewal of Region One Library and Media Cooperative for the 2007-08 School Year*

D. Bids

- 1.* *Discussion/Action of Automated External Defibrillators Quotation # 2007-886 (Through Purchasing Cooperatives)*
- 2.* *Discussion/Action of Print Shop Color Copier Utilizing the Texas Building & Procurement Commission CISV Quote # 2007-881*
- 3.* *Discussion/Action of Dr. Americo Paredes Elementary Fencing Project Quotation Utilizing the Chain Link Fence & Related Supplies Catalog Bid # 2006-029*
- 4.* *Discussion/Action of Updated Interlocal Participation Agreement and Resolution # 2007-01 for the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard)*
- 5.* *Discussion/Action of Custodial Supplies Catalog Bid # 2007-021*

E. Business and Finance

- 1.* *Discussion/Action of Application and Certificate for Payment of Contractor's Fees No. 17 for La Joya ISD Americo Paredes Elementary (Elementary School No. 20)*
- 2.* *Discussion/Action of Application for Payment of Engineering Fees No. 14 for La Joya ISD Americo Paredes Elementary (Elementary School No. 20)*
- 3.* *Discussion/Action of Application and Certificate for Payment of Contractor's Fees No. 4 for La Joya ISD William J. Clinton Elementary (Elementary No. 21)*
- 4.* *Discussion/Action of Application for Payment of Engineering Fees No. 4 for Geotechnical and Testing Services Performed at La Joya ISD William J. Clinton Elementary (Elementary No. 21)*
- 5.* *Discussion/Action of Application and Certificate for Payment of Contractor's Fees No. 5 for La Joya ISD Elementary No. 22 (Liberty Blvd)*
- 6.* *Discussion/Action of Application for Payment of Engineering Fees No. 5 for Geotechnical and Testing Services Performed at La Joya ISD Elementary School No. 22 (Liberty Blvd)*
- 7.* *Discussion/Action of Application and Certificate for Payment of Contractor's Fees No. 12 for La Joya ISD Dr. Javier Saenz Middle School (Middle School No. 7)*
- 8.* *Discussion/Action of Application for Payment of Architectural and Engineering Fees No. 23 for the New La Joya ISD High School - La Homa*
- 9.* *Discussion/Action of Application and Certificate for Payment of Contractor's Fees No. 2 for the New La Joya ISD High School - La Homa Road*
- 10.* *Discussion/Action of Application and Certification for Payment of Contractor's Fees No. 4 for La Joya ISD Dr. Javier Saenz Middle School and William J. Clinton Elementary Wastewater Treatment Plant Project*
11. Discussion/ Action for Approval to Refund Attorney's Fees to Taxpayers
12. Discussion/ Action of Proposal Submitted by 3F Utility Construction Inc. for Sanitary Sewer Improvements for Kika de la Garza and Diaz-Villarreal Elementary Schools
13. Discussion/ Action to Employ an Architectural Firm to Oversee Continuation and Completion of La Joya ISD Dr. Javier Saenz Middle School (Middle School No. 7)
14. Discussion/ Action on Acceptance of Final Completion for La Joya ISD Americo Paredes Elementary (Elementary School No. 20)
15. Discussion/ Action of the 24th Annual NALEO Conference for School Board Members and the Superintendent of Schools to Attend in Orlando, Florida on June 28-30, 2007

F. Instruction

- 1.* *Discussion/Action of Section 504/Dyslexia Department Purchase of the Herman Method Sets A and B*
- 2.* *Discussion/Action of Two Instructional Days for Staff Development to be Applicable for Time Equivalency Program During the 2007 Summer and the 2007-2008 School Year*
- 3.* *Discussion/Action of Pre-Kindergarten Texas Early Education Model (TEEM) Grant*
- 4.* *Discussion/Action of READ 180 for Stage A, Computer Based Reading Program with Technical Support Package*
- 5.* *Discussion/Action on Purchase of Service for Accelerated Math Renaissance Place Services for all Middle Schools and High Schools in La Joya ISD*
- 6.* *Discussion/Action of Funding for Fast ForWord Professional Development Plan and Product Support for Elementary and Middle School Campuses*
- 7.* *Discussion/Action of Funding for Fast ForWord Professional Development Plan and Product Support for Two New Elementary Campuses*
- 8.* *Discussion/Action to Approve Purchase of Professional Development Services from Texas Instruments for High School Math Using the TI-Navigator Institute*
9. Discussion/ Action to Approve District Goals
10. Discussion/ Action of the Expansion of Half Day Pre-Kindergarten Classrooms to Full-Day Pre-Kindergarten Classrooms for the 2007-2008 School Year
11. Discussion/ Action to Declare a Third High School to U.I.L. on September 2007 for the 2008-2009 School Year

G. Human Resources

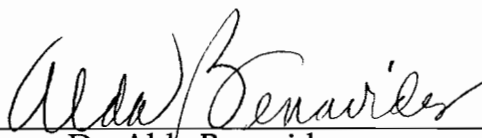
1. Discussion/ Action to Implement an Alternate Summer Work Schedule

2. Discussion/ Action on Elementary, Middle School, and High School Counselors and Their Clerks Contract Days for 2007-2008

H. Personnel

1. Employment of Professional Personnel
 - Personnel for Summer Programs
2. Action on Superintendent's Recommendation to Non-Renew Jose Guerra, One Year Term Contract for the 2007-2008 School Year Bentsen Elementary, 4th Grade Teacher
3. Employment of Classified Staff
 - Para-Professional Personnel
 - Employment of Auxiliary Personnel
4. Action on Level III Grievance Hearing on Hermelinda Salinas, Bus Aide, Transportation Department
5. Staff Resignation(s)
 - Professional Personnel
 - Para-Professional Personnel
 - Auxiliary Personnel

I. Adjournment



Dr. Alda Benavides
Superintendent of Schools

Posted: May 4, 2007
by: Irma Herrera
@ 5:00 p.m.