



WESLACO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

319 W. Fourth Street
Weslaco, TX 78599-0266

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Dr. Priscilla Canales, Superintendent

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting:	Special Meeting
Place:	WISD Board Room
Location:	319 W. Fourth Street
Date:	April 24, 2019
Time:	5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

- I. The meeting was called to order by Isidoro Nieto, Board President.
- II. A quorum was established. The following board members were present.

Isidoro Nieto, President
Andrew Gonzalez, Secretary
Armando Cuellar, Trustee
Erasmio Lopez, Trustee
Dr. Jaime Rodriguez, Trustee

*Patrick Kennedy joined the meeting at 5:33 p.m.
Dr. Richard Rivera was absent.*

III. Approval of Out-of-Valley Trips

Dr. Canales recommended that the Board approve three (3) out-of-valley trips as presented. These trips will take place before the Regular Board Meeting scheduled on May 13, 2019.

Central Middle School

- The Band students will compete at the Texas Music Festival Competition in San Antonio, Texas, on April 27, 2019. The students will have an opportunity to compete with other musicians from across Texas.

B. Garza Middle School

- The National Junior Honor Society will attend a college field trip at the University of Texas at San Antonio, on Tuesday, April 30, and Wednesday, May 1, 2019. Exposure to institutes will give students the much needed confidence and encouragement that they too can achieve the goal of getting a college education as previous WISD students have.

Weslaco High School and Weslaco East High School

- The Automotive Technology students will compete at the Texas GreenPower F-24 Racing Competition on April 28-29, 2019 in Arlington, Texas. Greenpower runs engineering and technology challenges for schools based around designing and building a single seat electric powered racecar. The race will provide the test for student's design and build.

Andrew Gonzalez made the motion to approve the out-of-valley trips as presented. Dr. Jaime Rodriguez seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

IV. Closed Meeting to Discuss:

The Board convened in closed meeting at 5:34 p.m. to discuss the following items:

A. Personnel Matters (Tex. Gov't Code 551.074)

1. Employment of Personnel
2. Resignations
3. Deliberation Regarding the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee (Tex. Gov't Code 551.074 and 551.071)
 - a. Discussion of Renewal of Probationary Contract for Teachers for the 2019-2020 School Year
 - b. Discussion of Rescinding the Renewal of Term Contract for Teacher for the 2019-2020 School Year

B. Deliberation Regarding Acquisition of Real Property (Tx. Gov't Code 551.072)

C. Consultation with Attorney Regarding: a) Pending or Contemplated Litigation: b) a Settlement Offer: or c) a Matter in Which the Duty of the Attorney to the Weslaco ISD under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas Clearly Conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code (Tex. Gov't. Code 551.071)

V. Reconvene in Open Meeting

The Board returned to open meeting at 6:04 to take action on the following items:

Possible Action, If Necessary, on Items Discussed in Closed Meeting

A. Personnel Matters (Tex. Gov't Code 551.074)

1. Employment of Personnel

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve the contracts for certified professional personnel as discussed in closed meeting.

Name	Position	Location
1. Guillermo Cuellar	Physical Education Teacher/ISS	Weslaco High School

Andrew Gonzalez made the motion to approve the contracts for certified professional personnel as presented. Dr. Jaime Rodriguez seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2. Resignations

Non-action item.

Name	Position/Location	Reason/Effective Date
1. Rodger S. Nelson	Chemistry Teacher Weslaco East High School	Mr. Nelson is retiring after (29) years in education, with (19) years of service at Weslaco ISD, effective May 31, 2019.
2. Debra Roberts	4 th Grade Teacher Memorial Elementary School	Mrs. Roberts is retiring after (41) years in education, with (40) years of service at Weslaco ISD, effective May 31, 2019.

3. Deliberation Regarding the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee (Tex. Gov't Code 551.074 and 551.071)

a. Possible Action on the Renewal of Probationary Contract for Teachers for the 2019-2020 School Year

The Superintendent recommended that the Board renew the probationary contract for teachers for the 2019-2020 school year as recommended by their immediate supervisor.

Weslaco High School				
NAME	CNT 18-19	CNT 19-20	POSITION	CAMPUS
Cesar Castillo	PRB1	PRB1	Teacher Secondary A+Edmentum/Physical Education	WHS
Eric Cavazos	PRB1	PRB1	Teacher Secondary Criminal Justice/Physical Education	WHS

Weslaco East High School				
NAME	CNT 18-19	CNT 19-20	POSITION	CAMPUS
Mario A. Ramirez	PRB1	PRB1	Teacher Secondary JROTC	WEHS

Andrew Gonzalez made the motion to approve the renewal of probationary contract for teachers for the 2019-2020 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Patrick Kennedy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

b. Possible Action on Rescinding the Renewal of Term Contract for Teacher for the 2019-2020 School Year

The Superintendent recommended that the Board rescind the renewal of a term contract for a teacher for the 2019-2020 school year as recommended by their immediate supervisor.

Weslaco High School				
NAME	CNT 18-19	CNT 19-20	POSITION	CAMPUS
Tomas Perez	Term	Term	Teacher Secondary	WHS

Erasmus Lopez made the motion to rescind the Board's April 8, 2019 action of approving the renewal of a term contract only for the employee identified in closed meeting today. Andrew Gonzalez seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

B. Deliberation Regarding Acquisition of Real Property (Tx. Gov't Code 551.072)

Non-action item.

Board President Isidoro Nieto announced that the Superintendent and legal counsel would follow up on this request.

C. Consultation with Attorney Regarding: a) Pending or Contemplated Litigation: b) a Settlement Offer: or c) a Matter in Which the Duty of the Attorney to the Weslaco ISD under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas Clearly Conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code (Tex. Gov't. Code 551.071)

Non-action item.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.