

**RIO HONDO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**215 West Colorado Street**

**Rio Hondo, Texas 78583**

**August 11, 2008**

**The Board of Trustees of the Rio Hondo Independent School District met in a Regular Session on Monday, August 11, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, 215 W. Colorado Street, Rio Hondo, Texas, with Mrs. Garza, President, presiding.**

**TRUSTEES:**

**PRESENT -**

**President**

**Noemi Garza**

**Vice President**

**Thomas E. Wiesman**

**Rolando Alfaro**

**Xavier Hernandez**

**Susan G. Lopez**

**Manuel Flores, Jr.**

**ABSENT -**

**Secretary**

**Rene Alfaro**

**SUPERINTENDENT:**

**Anneliese McMinn**

**RECORDER:**

**Florence Landry**

**ADMINISTRATION:**

**Elda Garza, Richard Savage,  
Michelle Everett, Ida Stevens,  
Annette Jaramillo, Juan Montez**

**VISITORS:**

**See Attached List**

**Items 1 & 2 Mrs. Garza called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., after noting a quorum was present and that the meeting notice had been posted as required by law.**

**Item 3 Mrs. Garza led in the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Item 4 Welcome/Open Forum:**

**Mrs. Garza welcomed everyone and invited comments from the audience. Community member Michael St. John expressed his appreciation for the Rio Hondo ISD Police Department and commented on the good job they are doing.**

**Item 5 A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to approve consent agenda items 6 and 7. Seconded by Mr. Hernandez, the motion carried unanimously.**

**Item 6 \*Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 14, 2008, approved.**

**Item 7 \*Notice of Grant Award (NOGA) SAS # A 769-09, Pre-Kindergarten Expansion Grant, accepted.**

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- Item 8 Report on Hurricane Dolly – Damage and Insurance to Date.**
- Superintendent McMinn and Maintenance Director Joel Carmona reviewed the sustained damages incurred by Hurricane Dolly and explained the insurance coverage.
- Item 9 A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to approve the Monthly Financial Report, Cafeteria Report, and Tax Collection Report. Seconded by Mr. Hernandez, the motion carried unanimously.**
- Item 10 Report by Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP on Delinquent Tax Collections for Rio Hondo Independent School District.**
- Mr. Jeffrey Garcia with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP reported on the agency's procedures describing the process used to collect the District's taxpayer delinquent property taxes.
- Item 11 After Ina Tamez, Director of Human Resources, reviewed the District's Employees' Handbook, a motion was made by Mr. Hernandez to approve the Revised District Employees' Handbook. Seconded by Mr. Rolando Alfaro, the motion carried unanimously.**
- Item 12 Campus Principals Juan Montez (Elementary), Annette Jaramillo (Intermediate), Ida Stevens (Junior High), and Veronica Puente (High School) reviewed the 2008 – 2009 Student Handbooks for Elementary, Intermediate, Junior High, and High School Campuses.**
- Item 13 Campus Principals Juan Montez (Elementary), Annette Jaramillo (Intermediate), Ida Stevens (Junior High) and Veronica Puente (High School) reviewed the 2008 – 2009 Faculty Handbooks for Elementary, Intermediate, Junior High, and High School Campuses.**
- Item 14 A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement and Memo of Understanding for Cameron County Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (JJAEP) for the 2008-2009 School Year. Seconded by Mr. Wiesman, the motion carried unanimously.**
- Item 15 After Deputy Superintendent Richard Savage reviewed the Student Code of Conduct, a motion was made by Mr. Hernandez to approve the Student Code of Conduct. Seconded by Mr. Rolando Alfaro, the motion carried unanimously.**
- Item 16 A motion was made by Mr. Hernandez to designate Mr. Manuel Flores, Jr. as the Delegate and Susan G. Lopez as the Alternate to the 2008 Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Delegate Assembly in Dallas, Texas, September 26-28, 2008. Seconded by Mr. Wiesman, the motion carried unanimously.**

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**Item 17** A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to schedule the Date and Time of Monday, August 25, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. for the Budget Hearing, and to set Tax Rate for 2007-2008 School Year.

**Item 18** Mrs. Garza closed the regular session at 8:19 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. The regular session resumed at 8:40 p.m. Personnel items were as follows:

**Personnel:**

**a. Consider Accepting Resignations**

A motion was made by Mr. Wiesman to approve the resignation, as recommended by the Superintendent, from:

**Galvan, Hector      Intermediate School Counselor**

Seconded by Mr. Rolando Alfaro, the motion carried unanimously.

**b. Consider Employment of Personnel**

A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to offer a contract for the 2008-2009 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent, to:


**Fabian, Cliseria      Intermediate School Counselor**

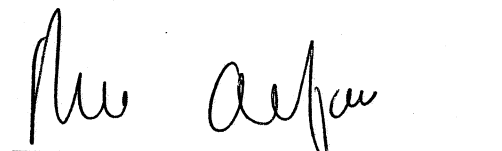
Seconded by Mr. Flores, the motion carried unanimously.

**c. Consider Approving the Substitute Teacher List for the 2008-2009 School Year**

A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to approve the Substitute Teacher List for the 2008-2009 school year. Seconded by Mr. Flores, the motion carried unanimously.

**Item 19** There being no further business before the Board, Mrs. Garza adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

  
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Noemi Garza, President

  
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Rene Alfaro, Secretary

## VISITORS/GUESTS

Persons wishing to have their comments heard tonight during the public comment period must first complete, and present to the Board President, the "Citizen's Public Comment Request Form."

## VISITANTES/INVITADOS

Las personas que deseen presentar comentarios o problemas esta noche durante el periodo de comentarios publicos, primero deben completar y presentar al Presidente del Consejo Directivo Escolar la forma de "Petición para comentarios publicos".

**RIO HONDO I.S.D. BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING ON  
August 11, 2008.**

1. <i>Veronica Puente</i>	26.	_____
2. <i>M. Everett</i>	27.	_____
3. <i>Dr. Granillo</i>	28.	_____
4. <i>Julio Arvizu</i>	29.	_____
5. <i>Joel Cannon</i>	30.	_____
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