

RIO HONDO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

215 West Colorado Street

Rio Hondo, Texas 78583

August 28, 2006

The Board of Trustees of the Rio Hondo Independent School District met in a Called Session on Monday, August 28, 2006, at 6:30 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	Rolando Alfaro
		Secretary	Susan Lopez
			Linda V. Alaniz
			Richard A. Serra
			Xavier Hernandez
			Rene Alfaro
	ABSENT -		None
SUPERINTENDENT:			Anneliese McMinn
RECORDER:			Florence Landry
ADMINISTRATION:			M. Everett, Elda Garza, R. Lopez, R. Savage
VISITORS:			See Attached List

Items 1 & 2 Mrs. Garza called the meeting to order at 6:30 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 A motion was made by Mrs. Alaniz to approve providing, on a trial basis, University Interscholastic League (UIL) Passes for home events for Rio Hondo ISD retirees who meet requirements as presented. Seconded by Mr. Rolando Alfaro, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 5 Discuss and Consider Approving High School Funding Allotment Monies.

After Superintendent McMinn reviewed the High School Allotment information, a motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to approve the High School Funding Allotment Monies as presented. Seconded by Mr. Alaniz, the motion carried unanimously.

- Item 6** A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to approve 2006-2007 School District Budget, to include High School Funding Allotment Monies. Seconded by Mr. Serra, the motion carried unanimously.
- Item 7** A motion was made by Mr. Serra to Adopt the Ordinance Levying New Tax Rate of \$1.3400 for the purpose of Maintenance & Operations (M & O) and \$.2551 for Interest & Sinking (I & S), for a Total Tax Rate of \$1.5951 for the 2006-2007 School Year. Seconded by Mr. Hernandez, the motion carried unanimously.
- Item 8** A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to approve discounts for early payment of Taxes of 3%, 2%, and 1% for October, November, and December, respectively. Seconded by Mr. Hernandez, the motion carried unanimously.
- Item 9** A motion was made by Mr. Serra to hire Control Engineer, as the engineering company to assess District Buildings for Windstorm Certification. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rolando Alfaro. Votes in favor: Mrs. Garza, Mr. Rolando Alfaro, Mrs. Lopez, Mrs. Alaniz, Mr. Serra, and Mr. Rene Alfaro. Mr. Hernandez abstained. The motion carried.
- Item 10** A motion was made by Mrs. Alaniz to approve Master Agreement for Mutual Aid with-in the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Region. Seconded by Mr. Serra, the motion carried unanimously.
- Item 11** A motion was made by Mr. Serra to approve Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Brownsville I.S.D. for Regional Day School Program for the Deaf for 2006-2007 School Year. Seconded by Mr. Hernandez, the motion carried unanimously.
- Item 12** Discuss District Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Results and Review Academic Areas to Address for 2006-2007 School Year.

Secondary Curriculum Director Richard Savage stated he was happy to report that the Texas Education Agency notified the District that based on the 2006 AYP Status released in August 2006, Rio Hondo ISD has met AYP. Mr. Savage reviewed the District scores with the Board in detail. Mr. Savage stated that Campus Action Plans include strategies to improve scores in the academic areas for the 2006-07 school year. Mr. Savage also reviewed information on SAT and ACT scores.

Roel Pisenno, Executive Director, Educational Partnerships, The Princeton Review, and Ernesto Ayala, Course Manager, reviewed last year's SAT and ACT scores and focused on a renewal for continuing the SAT program with the ACT program as a result of looking at the history of our scores.

- Item 13** Mrs. Garza closed the regular session at 8:05 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. The regular session resumed at 8:27 p.m. Personnel items were as follows:

Personnel:

a. Consider Accepting Resignations

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

Marissa Betancourt

Speech Therapist

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

b. Consider Employment of Personnel

A motion was made by Mr. Rene Alfaro to offer a contract for the 2006-2007 school year,
as recommended by the Superintendent to:

Tricia Silva

High School Speech Teacher

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Lopez. Votes in favor: Mrs. Garza, Mr. Rolando Alfaro, Mrs. Lopez, Mr. Hernandez, and Mr. Rene Alfaro. Votes opposed: Mrs. Alaniz and Mr. Serra. Motion carried.

**c. Consider Approving Addendum to the Substitute Teacher List
for the 2006-2007 school year.**

A motion was made by Mr. Serra to approve the Addendum to the Substitute Teacher List for the 2006-2007 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent. Seconded by Mr. Hernandez, the motion carried unanimously.

- Item 14** There being no further business before the Board, Mrs. Garza adjourned the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Noemi Garza, President

Susan G. Lopez, Secretary

