

RIO HONDO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

215 West Colorado Street

Rio Hondo, Texas 78583

November 13, 2006

The Board of Trustees of the Rio Hondo Independent School District met in a Regular Session on Monday, November 13, 2006, 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	Rolando Alfaro
		Secretary	Susan G. Lopez
			Linda V. Alaniz
			Richard A. Serra
			Rene Alfaro
	ABSENT -		Xavier Hernandez
SUPERINTENDENT:			Anneliese McMinn
RECORDER:			Florence Landry
ADMINISTRATION:			J. Montez, K. McKinney, M. Everett, I. Stevens, Elda Garza, R. Savage
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 ROTC Color Guard led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 4 Welcome/Open Forum:

Community Member Hoss Lozano commented on hiring certified personnel, the use of facilities funded by federal monies, and demands placed on administrators and student welfare.

The Board thanked Mr. Lozano for his comments.

Item 5 Student/Staff Recognition

High School Coach Mark Buddle introduced members of the girls cross-country team and commended the team for being District champs. Coach Buddle also recognized the boys cross-country team and congratulated them for their accomplishment of being 32-3A District champs and finishing 8th at regionals. One student competed at the State cross country meet in Round Rock, Texas, finishing 36th in the competition, he stated. Coach Buddle reported that there were 25 athletes in the boys and girls teams this year.

The Rio Hondo Bobcat Band presented their 2006 marching awards to the Board. These were all of the awards that the Band received during the 2006 marching season. Awards presented were as follows:

- USSBA Weslaco Invitational on 10-07-06 – Best Music and Best Marching, 1st runner up, class III.
- Crossroads Marching Contest on 10-14-06. Best Percussion, Best Colorguard, Best Drum Major, class III. 1st runner up.
- UIL Pigskin on 10-21-06 – 1st division
- UIL Area E Contest on 10-28-06 – Area Championship and advance to State
- State Marching Contest on 11-5-06 – 4th place in State Finals

Present at the meeting were Directors Mr. David Noyola, Mr. Juan Benavides, Mr. Rolando Reyes, and members of the percussion section, the colorguard, and members of the senior band class.

Item 6 Report from Intermediate Principal

Intermediate School Principal Kris McKinney presented a slide show of the different activities happening at Rio Hondo Intermediate. He reported on Open House, Family Literacy Night, Red Ribbon Week, and Awards Assembly events.

Item 7 A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to approve consent agenda items 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12. Seconded by Mrs. Alaniz, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 8 *Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 9, 2006, approved.

Item 9 *Notice of Grant Award (NOGA), SAS-A771-07, Texas Reading First Initiative-GR K-3 CY2 YR3, accepted.

- Item 10** *Statements of Monthly Financial Report, Cafeteria Report, and Tax Collection Report, approved.
- Item 11** *Proposal for Windstorm Certification Services on School District Buildings, approved.
- Item 12** *Purchase of Books and Supplies to Supplement and Enhance the current Reading Program at the Rio Hondo Junior High Campus.
- Item 13** A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to approve the request from Sponsor Mary Salas to take seven (7) Varsity Cheerleaders to the Hula Bowl Event in Hawaii, January 9-14, 2007. Seconded by Mr. Serra, the motion carried unanimously.
- Item 14** After Secondary Curriculum Director Richard Savage reviewed the District Improvement Plan, a motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to approve the District Improvement Plan for the 2006-2007 School Year. Seconded by Mrs. Alaniz, the motion carried unanimously.
- Item 15** Assistant Superintendent Elda Garza gave a report on the District's Status of Highly Qualified Teacher Requirements.
- Item 16** A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to approve the Student Health Educational Advisory Council (SHEAC) Members for 2006-2007 School Year. Seconded by Mr. Rene Alfaro, the motion carried unanimously.
- Item 17** A motion was made by Mr. Serra to Adopt Resolution allowing the District to participate in the Region One Electricity Aggregation Pool (ROEAP) Purchasing Program. Seconded by Mr. Rolando Alfaro, the motion carried unanimously.
- Item 18** After Mr. John D. Guevara, Attorney with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, reviewed the Resolution authorizing early turnover and additional penalty on delinquent personal property taxes, a motion was made by Mr. Serra to approve the Resolution authorizing early turnover and additional penalty on delinquent personal property taxes under Tex. Tax Code Section 33.11. Seconded by Mrs. Alaniz, the motion carried unanimously.
- Item 19** A motion was made by Mr. Serra to Adopt the Agreement for Tax Collection Services between Rio Hondo Independent School District and Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP. Seconded by Mr. Rolando Alfaro, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 20 Mrs. Garza closed the regular session at 8:44 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. The regular session resumed at 9:11 p.m. Personnel items were as follows:

Personnel:

a. Consider Accepting Resignations

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

Leal, Elydia G. Second Grade Teacher

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

b. Consider Employment of Personnel

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

Casas, Fortino Jr.	High School Speech Teacher
Perez, Dora L.	Junior High Special Education Teacher
Marquez, Yesenia	Elementary Classroom Teacher
Longoria, Christina	Elementary Classroom Teacher

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

**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. Seconded by Mrs. Alaniz, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 21 There being no further business before the Board, Mrs. Garza adjourned the meeting at 9:13 p.m.

Noemi Garza, President

Susan G. Lopez, Secretary

