



**MINUTES
SPECIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

Socorro Independent School District
12440 Rojas Drive, El Paso, TX 79928
August 31, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

David O. Morales, Board President; Ricardo O. Castellano, Board Vice President; Eduardo Mena, Board Secretary; Pablo Barrera; Paul Guerra; Cynthia A. Najera; Michael A. Najera; and Marta C. Carmona, M.Ed., Interim Superintendent

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Board President David O. Morales. All members were present and a quorum was established.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SOCORRO ISD BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE NEW ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMPUSES WITHIN EASTLAKE FEEDER PATTERN FOR THE 2022-2023 AND 2023-2024

Administration provided a presentation concerning boundary adjustments for the new elementary and middle school campuses within Eastlake feeder pattern for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years. Discussion followed regarding the growth within the district and student numbers. No action was taken on this agenda item.

WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE RFP NO. E1908, 3 YEAR EXTENSION

A motion was made by Paul Guerra, seconded by Eduardo Mena, to approve the 3-year extension to the contract saving the district a combined amount of \$49,866 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAM – GRANT AWARD

The Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) is a federally assisted program providing free fresh fruits and vegetables to children at eligible elementary schools during the school day. The goal of the FFVP is to introduce children to fresh fruits and vegetables, to include new and different varieties, and to increase overall acceptance and consumption of fresh, unprocessed produce among children. The FFVP also encourages healthier school environments by promoting nutrition education. A motion was made by Eduardo Mena, seconded by Pablo Barrera, to approve the item as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting was closed at 6:13 p.m. to consider administrative recommendations for Assistant Superintendents of Schools and Assistant Principals at Socorro High School under *Texas Government Code* Section 551.074.

The meeting reconvened at 6:53 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

Mrs. Carmona recommended Lisa M. Estrada-Batson to assume all roles and responsibilities as Assistant Superintendent of Schools. A motion was made by Paul Guerra, seconded by Cynthia Najera, to approve

the item as presented. The motion carried with a 5-2 vote. Aye: Paul Guerra, Cynthia Najera, Michael Najera, Eduardo Mena and David Morales. Nay: Ricardo Castellano and Pablo Barrera.

Mrs. Carmona recommended Adalberto Garcia to assume all roles and responsibilities as Assistant Superintendent of Schools. A motion was made by Paul Guerra, seconded by Cynthia Najera, to approve the item as presented. The motion carried with a 5-2 vote. Aye: Paul Guerra, Cynthia Najera, Michael Najera, Eduardo Mena and David Morales. Nay: Ricardo Castellano and Pablo Barrera.

Mrs. Carmona recommended Enrique Herrera to assume all roles and responsibilities as Assistant Superintendent of Schools. A motion was made by Cynthia Najera, seconded by Paul Guerra, to approve the item as presented. The motion carried with a 5-2 vote. Aye: Paul Guerra, Cynthia Najera, Michael Najera, Eduardo Mena and David Morales. Nay: Ricardo Castellano and Pablo Barrera.

Mrs. Carmona recommended Miriam Esparza to assume all roles and responsibilities as Assistant Principal at Socorro High School. A motion was made by Paul Guerra, seconded by Eduardo Mena, to approve the item as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON AUGUST 17, 2021.