



BOARD UPDATE

February 26, 2019

Action Items

The Board of Directors took action on the following items.

- Approved Minutes of January 22, 2019, Board of Directors Meeting;
- Approved Budget Amendments for January 2019;
- Approved Expenditure Reports as of January 31, 2019;
- Approved Child Nutrition Program-south Texas Cooperative Further Processing of USDA Foods for SY19 RFP 19-AGENCY-000038, Extension 1 of 3;
- Approved Local ESC Policy Update, affecting local policy CBF: Revenue Sources Investments;
- Approved Resolution to Update Individuals Authorized to Initiate Banking Transactions at Lone Star National Bank;
- Approved Resolution to Resolution to Update Individuals Authorized to Transmit and Inquire about Funds for Investment in TexPool;
- Approved Revision to the 2018-2019 Part Time Positions Salary Schedule;
- Approved Change Order #1: Asbestos Abatement – Laredo Extension Office;
- Approved Resolution Declaring Unopposed Region One ESC Board Candidates Elected. ❖

Executive Director's Report

- As part of his Executive Director's Report, Dr. Gonzalez invited Anabel Rangel, Director, Brownsville Extension Office to provide an office update. Rangel reported that in their fifth year of operation, the Brownsville Extension Office continues to serve the districts in the Cameron County area, including charter and private schools. Demand for training sessions is on the rise as Rangel notes that many Saturdays are scheduled throughout the year into the summer months to accommodate teachers' schedules. Special initiatives include the Megabyte Initiative, Mathematics Collaborative, TEKS for ELAR, Instructional Coaching, Lesson Study, and BTLPT Cohort groups.
- The Brownsville Extension Office also houses the ECI staff that serves the Cameron County area. Ms. Theresa Cantu, ECI Administrator, provided an ECI Program update to Board Members. Currently, the ECI program is serving over one-thousand babies, exceeding the state benchmarks. As of September 1, 2019, Cantu reported that the ECI Program currently under the administration of the Texas Health and Human Services, will be managed by the Texas Education Agency.
- Dr. Gonzalez provided a construction update to the Board reporting on the purchase of the right of way property from the Hidalgo County Irrigation District. The property encompasses and 80 foot right of way from the center of the street along Schunior Road and a 40 foot right of way on the East side of the Region One property. Dr. Gonzalez shared that the purchase of the right of way property will help to facilitate the construction of the Region One Conference Center.
- In his Personnel Services Report, Dr. Gonzalez announced the following New Staff Additions: Brenda Amtrani, *Specialist, Project RISE*; Alma Leticia Cavazos, *Coordinator, GEAR UP/College Now, College Connected*; Norma Gonzalez, *Senior Accountant, College, Career, & Life Readiness*; Lucio Mendoza, *Director of Finance, Office of Finance & Internal Operations*; Maria Del Rosario Nava, *Diagnostic/Assessment Specialist, SIAC*; and Rosey Solis-Guerra, *Specialist-SIAC/Turnaround, SIAC*. Dr. Gonzalez also announced the following Resignations: Andrea Cruz, *Director, Project P.a.C.E.*; Fidela Hinojosa, *Coordinator, Office of Administrative Leadership, School, and Community Support*. ❖

Next Board of Directors Meeting
April 16, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.
at Region One ESC, Edinburg, TX

Region One Board Members Unopposed *Board Election Cancelled*



Laura McCoy
Place 3



Dr. Manuel Gomez, Jr.
Place 6

The Region One Education Service Center was scheduled to hold an election for two places on the Region One ESC Board of Directors expiring on May 31, 2019. The seats up for election were Place 3 representing Webb County, currently filled by Ms. Laura McCoy, of Laredo, Texas, and Place 6 representing Cameron County, currently filled by Dr. Manuel Gomez, Jr., of Harlingen, Texas.

Other than the two incumbents, McCoy and Dr. Gomez, there were no other applicants filing by the February 20, 2019 filing deadline. The Board took action at the regularly called meeting and unanimously passed a resolution, as per Policy BBB (LOCAL), declaring that no election will be held and that the unopposed candidates will be elected to office.

Ms. McCoy has held her Place 3 seat for one term having first been elected to the Board in 2016. Dr. Gomez has served on the Board since 2001. Board members are elected to a three (3) year term by school board members of the 37 school districts within Region One. ❖

Board of Directors 2018-2019

Ricardo Gutierrez, Chairperson
Place 2 – Jim Hogg County, Starr County
& Zapata County

Ruben Cortez, Jr., Vice-Chairperson
Place 5 – Cameron County

Raul R. Chapa, Secretary
Place 7 – Willacy County

Alicia E. Requenez
Place 1 – Hidalgo County

Laura A. McCoy
Place 3 – Webb County

Sonia A. Falcon
Place 4 – Hidalgo County

Dr. Manuel Gomez, Jr.,
Place 6 – Cameron County

Roberto Moroles
Charter Schools Representative

Administration

Dr. Cornelio Gonzalez
Executive Director

Dr. Eduardo Cancino
Deputy Director, Instructional Leadership,
School Improvement, & College Readiness
Support

Mr. Heriberto Villarreal
Deputy Director, Administrative Leadership,
School & Community Support

Connie Lopez, CPA
Deputy Director, Business,
Operations & Finance Support

Ali Kolahdouz
Chief Technology Officer
Division of Technology for Learning



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Upcoming Board Events

March 11-15, 2019
Spring Break/ESC Closed

March 30-April 1, 2019
2019 National School Board Association (NSBA) Conference

April 16, 2019
Region One ESC Board of Directors Meeting

April 19, 2019
Easter Holiday/ESC Closed

April 22, 2019
Inclement Weather Day/ESC Closed

May 16, 2019
Region One ESC Board of Directors Meeting

May 17-18, 2019
Region One School Board Association Spring Conference