REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – AUGUST 08, 2022 (AGENDA POSTED: August 05, 2022, 5:19 P.M.)

Call to Order and Roll Call:

The Karnes City ISD Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, August 08, 2022, in the Karnes City ISD Board Room. Alex Kotara called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The following members were present: Alex Kotara, Terry Johnson, Debbie Witte, Trini Gamez, Melissa Padron-Valdez, and Mike Rosales.

Pledge and Moment of Silence:

Alex Kotara led the pledge to the United States and Texas flags and called for a moment of silence.

Awards and Recognitions:

FFA students were recognized for receiving their Lone Star Farmers Degree

Public Comments:

None.

Consent Agenda:

Motion was made by Debbie Witte and seconded by Trini Gamez to approve the (Regular) July 18, 2022, and amend and approve the (Special) July 28, 2022, with an update to the roll call showing that Terry Johnson was absent, board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

General Operating Bills:

\$1,228,452.51

Tax Collection Report:

98.73%

Motion was made by Mike Rosales Jr and seconded by Melissa Padron-Valdez to approve payment of the monthly bills, budget summary, investment report, and tax collection report. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent's Report:

Mrs. Kaiser went over the Preliminary 2021-2022 FIRST Ratings.

Chris Shula discussed the upcoming Homecoming Parade and plans.

Mr. Madrigal gave an update on the LSVA campuses.

Matt Sommer and Mrs. Kaiser presented the Certified Appraisal Values.

Upcoming Special meeting date was discussed.

Items for Consideration and Possible Action:

Motion was made by Mike Rosales Jr. and seconded by Debbie Witte to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Karnes City for the School Resource Officer Program as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Debbie Witte and seconded by Trini Gamez to authorized the Superintendent and Board President to commence/execute the negotiation of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Uvalde Consolidated Independent School District for virtual learning as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Item regarding adopting updated Board Policy: CK(Local) and DH(Local) was moved to closed session.

Motion was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Debbie Witte to approve the annual tax collector report and delinquent tax report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Melissa Padron-Valdez and seconded by Trini Gamez to approve the updated 2022-2023 Clerical/Paraprofessional Pay Plan as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

No motion was made regarding the Amended 2022-2023 Stipends.

Motion was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Trini Gamez to approve the increase in adult meal prices as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Debbie Witte to approve the Hazardous Traffic Conditions Resolution as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Debbie Witte and seconded by Trini Gamez to approve updated TTESS Staff Appraisal Appraisers as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Mike Rosales Jr. to approve the Annual Retainer Agreement with Walsh Gallegos Trevino Kyle and Robinson PC as General Counsel as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Alex Kotara called for a break at 7:30 p.m.

Reconvened from break at 7:42 p.m.

First Closed Meeting pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.101:

Alex Kotara, Terry Johnson, Debbie Witte, Trini Gamez, Melissa Padron-Valdez and Mike Rosales went into Closed Session at 7:42 p.m. to discuss employment. Closed Session ended at 7:53 p.m.

Reconvene from First Closed Meeting and Continue with Items for Consideration and Possible Action:

Motion was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Trini Gamez to accept the personnel recommendations of Katherine Kuenstler as Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction as presented in closed session. Motion carried unanimously.

Second Closed Meeting pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.101:

Alex Kotara, Terry Johnson, Debbie Witte, Trini Gamez, Melissa Padron-Valdez and Mike Rosales went into Closed Session at 7:54 p.m. to discuss Pursuant to Texas Gov't code 551.071, attorney consultation regarding legal issues concerning the Guaranteed Maximum Price Amendment (GMP #1) for the Elementary School Project, Pursuant to Texas Gov't code 551.071, attorney consultation regarding legal issues related to establishing School Guardian Program, Pursuant to Texas Gov't code 551.074, deliberate the possible appointment of a public officer(s) or employee(s) to School Guardian Program, Pursuant to Texas Gov't code 551.076 and 551.089, deliberate the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices and Review and possible adopting updated Board Policy: CK(Local) and DH(Local). Closed Session ended at 8:42 p.m.

Reconvene from Second Closed Meeting and Continue with Items for Consideration and Possible Action:

No motion was made regarding the Guaranteed Maximum Price Amendment (GMP #1) for the Elementary School Project.

Motion was made by Debbie Witte and seconded by Trini Gamez to adopt the updated Board Policies CK(Local) and DH(Local) with the amended wording adding "Or Board Members after Employees" each time as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Debbie Witte and seconded by Trini Gamez to adopt the resolution establishing the School Guardian Program and attach said resolution to the minutes of this meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

President/Kotara adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

PRESIDENT, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – AUGUST 22, 2022 (AGENDA POSTED: August 19, 2022, 4:20 P.M.)

Call to Order and Roll Call:

The Karnes City ISD Board of Trustees met in Special Session on Monday, August 22, 2022, in the Karnes City ISD Board Room. Alex Kotara called the Special Meeting to order at 5:30 pm. The following members were present: Alex Kotara, Terry Johnson, Debbie Witte, Trini Gamez, Melissa Padron-Valdez and Mike Rosales.

Pledge and Moment of Silence:

Alex Kotara led the pledge to the United States and Texas flags and called for a moment of silence.

Public Comments:

Debbi Liska spoke regarding the Guardian Program.

Superintendent's Report:

Goliad ISD representatives gave a presentation regarding the Guardian Program.

Items for Consideration and Possible Action:

Motion was made by Debbie Witte and seconded by Trini Gamez to approve the amended 2022-2023 Stipends as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Trini Gamez to approve an order authorizing the defeasance and redemption of a portion of the district's outstanding unlimited tax bonds and approve an escrow agreement and all other instruments and procedures related thereto as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mike Rosales Jr and seconded by Debbie Witte to approve the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of 0.981400, which is effectively a 48.73 percent increase in the tax rate, as well as approve the resolution to set the tax rate. We also hereby appoint the District Tax Collector as the designated officer responsible for calculating and reporting the no-new-revenue tax rate and the voter-approval tax rate as determined by state law as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Meeting pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.101:

Alex Kotara, Terry Johnson, Debbie Witte, Trini Gamez, Melissa Padron-Valdez and Mike Rosales went into Closed Session at 6:32 p.m. to discuss employment and Pursuant to Texas Gov't code 551.071, attorney consultation regarding legal issues related to establishing School Guardian Program, Pursuant to Texas Gov't code 551.076 and 551.089, deliberate the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel, critical infrastructure or security devices. Closed Session ended at 7:39 p.m.

Reconvene from Closed Meeting and Continue with Items for Consideration and Possible Action:

No action was taken regarding employment.

No action was taken regarding resolution establishing the School Guardian Program.

Adjournment:

President Kotara adjourned the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

PRESIDENT, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SECRETARY, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING - AUGUST 31, 2022 (AGENDA POSTED: August 26, 2022, 4:40 P.M.)

Call to Order and Roll Call:

The Karnes City ISD Board of Trustees met in Special Session on Monday, August 22, 2022, in the Karnes City ISD Board Room. Alex Kotara called the Special Meeting to order at 6:03 pm. The following members were present: Alex Kotara, Terry Johnson, Debbie Witte, Trini Gamez, Melissa Padron-Valdez and Mike Rosales.

Pledge and Moment of Silence:

Alex Kotara led the pledge to the United States and Texas flags and called for a moment of silence.

Public Comments:

None

Town Hall Meeting:

President Alex Kotara started the town hall meeting by addressing the audience, explaining what the meeting was concerning, going over the meeting expectations and going into detail about what the Guardian Program is.

Goliad representative presented regarding the Guardian Program.

At this time the floor was opened up to the community regarding any questions, concerns or comments.

82 people signed in for attendance for the town hall meeting. Approximately 30 community members, staff or parents spoke regarding the Guardian Program. Questions or comments ranged from; What was the first year start up cost? How does the confidentiality process work? What is an SRO, Are the kids going to be trained for different scenarios that have to do with the Guardian Program? Has the school investigated the difference between the Marshall Program and the Guardian Program? How are we going to let people/intruders know that KCISD is no longer a soft target? What is the goal of Guardians per campus? Many stated that they were in favor of the program.

Adjournment:

President Kotara adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

PRESIDENT, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SECRETARY, BOARD OF TRUSTEES