

**Harris County Department of Education  
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting  
September 18, 2019**

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The Harris County Board of School Trustees met in a regular board meeting on September 18, 2019 in the Board Room, at 6300 Irvington Boulevard, Houston, Texas. Josh Flynn, Board President, called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m. and declared a quorum present, that the meeting was duly called, and that notice of the meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Gov't. Code §551.041 and §551.051.

**Board Members Present:** Josh Flynn, Board President; George Moore, Board Vice President; Eric Dick; Richard Cantu; Danny Norris; Don Sumners; and Mike Wolfe

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Board Attorney:** Sarah Langlois

**Administration:** James Colbert, Jr., County School Superintendent; Jesus Amezcua, CPA, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services; and Jonathan Parker, Assistant Superintendent for Academic Support; Kimberly McLeod, Assistant Superintendent for Education and Enrichment

Danielle Bartz, Chief of Staff; Darlene Breaux, Director Research and Evaluation Institute; Lisa Caruthers, Director CASE for Kids; Danielle Clark, Chief Communications Officer; Marion Cooksey, Principal Highpoint East; Carie Crabb, Senior Director Therapy Services; Curtis Davis, Director Records Management; Stephanie De Los Santos, Director Client Engagement; Jeff Drury, Director Choice Partners; Dave Einsel, Director Communications and Creative Services; Melissa Godbout, Executive Assistant to Board of Trustees; Victor Keys, (AB West) Principal Academic Behavior School West; Anthony Mays, Senior Director Schools Division; Bill Monroe, Director Purchasing; Anthony Moten, Principal Fortis Academy; Brenda Mullins, Director Curriculum and Compliance Services; Venita Peacock, Director Head Start; Gayla Rawlinson, Director Center for Grants Development; Stephanie Ross, Director Adult Education; Donna Jones, (AB East), Principal Academic Behavior School East; Natasha Truitt, Executive Director Human Resources; Richard Vela, Senior Director Facilities; Frances Watson-Hester, Senior Director Teaching and Learning Center;

Stephanie Wright, Chief Accounting Officer; Linda Zatopek, Director Educator Certification and Professional Advancement

**Visitors:**

Crystal Bessix, Patrick Butler, Joy Davis, Andrew Wagner, Erica Hooper, Andrea Duhon, Ruei Tuo, Johnathan Miller, Amari Mercado, Debra Kerner, David Brown

1. **Invocation** - Kelly Tummy, Teaching and Learning Center
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the US flag** - Dr. Colina Poullard, Teaching and Learning Center
3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag** - Dr. Colina Poullard, Teaching and Learning Center
4. **Open Forum** - Gov't Code 551.003 (5) - Public Participation. Pursuant to Policy BED (Local), a citizen who wishes to speak may do so by completing a participation request card available at the Board room at least 10 minutes prior to a Board meeting.

*Josh Flynn announced changes to the Texas Open Meetings Act provisions governing public comment.*

*Crystal Bessix addressed the board, thanking the board members on behalf of EdOp Solutions, for which she is President. She stated that EdOp has been a vendor with HCDE for the past 6 years and she is excited to continue her journey with the HCDE programs in the upcoming contract year.*

*Ruei Tuo addressed the board regarding agenda items 7.A. and 7.C. She stated that reducing the tax rate would only save approximately \$48.00 per year and that money could come in handy for the students who are in need of the services. She further stated that she would appreciate if policies were published first so that the public would have a chance to look at them before they are voted on.*

*Johnathan Miller addressed the board regarding the tax rate. He requested that the board act ethically and urged the Board to keep the tax rate at the current rate. He stated that Board President Josh Flynn wants a 100% reduction of the tax rate, is orchestrating a coup to destroy the Board, and is working to eliminate important programs to Harris County and privatize those programs. He urged the county attorney to investigate the board for unethical behavior.*

*Joy Davis addressed the board regarding ethical practices within the board. She read the Board Members' Code of Ethics and stated that if someone was*

*actively working against HCDE, that person should not be in this position. She stated that the decrease in the tax rate works against HCDE. She stated that the elected officials on the board needed to be voted out.*

*Amari Mercado addressed the board regarding lowering the tax rate. He requested that the board not lower the rate and he was happy to pay the \$1.00 per month that he was paying to fund HCDE's programs. He stated that there should be transparency and the public needed to be aware of what was going on, specifically regarding agenda item 7.C.*

*Andrea Duhon addressed the board regarding the tax rate. She stated that HCDE requires the board to have certain qualifications to serve on the board, including the requirement that individuals must be in sympathy with the free, public schools. She referenced a questionnaire completed by Mr. Flynn, stating that Mr. Flynn's answers to the questionnaire proves unequivocally that Mr. Flynn does not support public free schools. She stated that Mr. Flynn wants to lower the tax rate to \$0, and if that happens, the 1,000 HCDE employees would lose their jobs. She stated that it would hurt people by lowering the tax rates and that the board needed to support the tax rate and the public education system.*

*Debra Kerner address the board, stating that she is a former HCDE board member. She stated that the proposed tax rate was about \$5.00 per year at a home valued at \$100,000, which is the cost of about two cups of coffee. She stated that the children in this county are worth at least that much and HCDE provides many needed services and programs. She stated that these are needed to provide a quality public education and an educated workforce. She stated that the Texas Constitution requires the provision of a quality public education. She referenced that when she served on the HCDE board, a bi-partisan group of board members, the superintendent, and ISDs testified in favor of HCDE before the House Public Education Committee. She stated that the ISDs want the services provided by HCDE and we need to continue to provide them. She stated that we need to be fiscally responsible and set the tax rate at a rate to fund the valuable services HCDE provides.*

*David Brown addressed the board regarding lowering the tax rate. He stated that he was a first generation high school and college graduate and was proud of HCDE and all the good that it does for the lower-served communities. He requested that the board keep the tax rate where it is and continue to do what's right.*

*Andre Wagner addressed the board, stating that a lot of people in Harris County depend on HCDE to be able to fund the education system. He stated that the*

*Republican-controlled Texas Supreme Court has said that public education is not effectively funded. He further stated that although the Texas legislature put money into public education, we are still grossly negligent on our funding. He stated that there are a lot of resources that we could be pouring into the smaller school districts. He requested that the board keep the tax rate at its current level now because there is so much more that could be done in the school districts.*

**5. Reports and presentations:**

**A. Annual Update from Teaching and Learning Center** - Dr. Frances Watson-Hester, Senior Director

**B. Superintendent Monthly Report** - James Colbert, Jr.

*Superintendent Colbert commended the other superintendents of Harris County, stating that he was impressed by the collaboration that was shown by the superintendents in making the decision regarding school closure during the storm. He stated that this week he would be traveling to Dallas for the TASA/TASB conference along with Trustee Norris. He stated that every year Texas has 2 conferences and the one in the fall was geared much more towards board members. He announced that on September 30<sup>th</sup>, TLC Division would be hosting the 2019 Leadership Symposium and that 9 superintendents would be attending and speaking at the event, along with a representative from TEA. He recognized Trustee Richard Cantu for being recognized by Dignity Memorial and receiving the Angel in the Community Award as part of Hispanic Heritage Month on September 22<sup>nd</sup>.*

**C. Report of the Board Feasibility Subcommittee** - Don Sumners

*No report*

**D. Other reports from Board members** concerning attendance or participation in a board or HCDE-related conference, event, activity, or committee; accolades for an HCDE staff member or other deserving person.

*Richard Cantu commended the Superintendent and his staff for an awesome convocation event and that it was an exciting event with lots of energy. He congratulated them for all their work to energize the staff for the year.*

**E. Monthly Financial Reports through 08/31/2019** - Jesus Amezcua, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services

*Don Sumners requested to pull item 6.D.6. from the consent agenda.*

*Richard Cantu requested to pull item 6.C.2. from the consent agenda.*

*Motion made by Danny Norris, seconded by George Moore to approve all items on the consent agenda with the exceptions of 6.D.6. and 6.C.2.*

*Motion passes with 6-0 voting to approve all items on the consent agenda with the exceptions of 6.D.2 and 6.C.2.*

## 6. ACTION ITEMS - CONSENSUS

### A. Consider approval of the following Business Services items:

1. Monthly Budget Amendment Report
2. August Disbursement Report
3. Monthly Investment Report for August 2019

### B. Consider approval of the following Board Meeting Minutes

1. 08-16-2019 Policy Committee Meeting
2. 08-16-2019 Called Board Meeting
3. 08-21-2019 Regular Board Meeting

### C. Consider approval of the following items for the HCDE Choice Partners Cooperative:

1. **Contract renewal option for job no. 15/047CG for Road Products, (Signage, Chemicals, Gravel, and Concrete) Equipment, and Related Items with the following vendor:** Southwest Geo-Solutions, Inc. dba Geo-Solutions, Inc. (#15/047CG-02) for the period 11/17/2019 through 11/16/2020.
3. **Contract renewal option for job no. 17/052CG for M&O Parts and Equipment with the following vendors:** Best Plumbing Specialties, Inc. (#17/052CG-04); HDP Ltd dba Hunton Distribution (#17/052CG-07); Johnson Supply & Equipment Corporation dba Johnson Supply (#17/052CG-08); Kleen Supply Company (#17/052CG-09); Total Maintenance Solutions dba TMS-South (#17/052CG-11), and Zimmerer Kubota & Equipment, Inc. (#17/052CG-12) for the period 11/29/2019 through 11/28/2020.

4. **Contract renewal option for job no. 18/068MR for Security Services, Supplies and Related Items with the following vendors:** 1st Response Security (#18/068MR-01); Blue Knight Security, LLC (#18/068MR-02); Enseco, Inc. (#18/068MR-04); J&B Imaging Services, Inc. dba JABIS Security Services (#18/068MR-05), and Premier Wireless Business Technology Solutions (#18/068MR-06) for the period 11/14/2019 through 11/13/2020.
  5. **Contract award for job no. 19/042MJ for Disaster Mitigation Commodities/Services - JOC Disaster Recovery Services with the following vendors:** BMS CAT, Inc. dba Blackmon Mooring of Texas (#19/042MJ-01); Enterprise Builders, LLC (#19/042MJ-02); ERC Environmental & Construction Services, Inc. dba ERC (#19/042MJ-03); Gerloff Company, Inc. (#19/042MJ-04); Horizon International Group, LLC (#19/042MJ-05), and Texas General Contractors, Inc. (#19/042MJ-06) for the period 09/18/2019 through 09/17/2020.
  6. **HCDE Interlocal Agreements with:** Galveston County Food Bank, Galveston, Texas; Tyler Junior College, Tyler, Texas; Harlingen Waterworks System, Harlingen, Texas; City of Buda (Signature Only), Buda, Texas; I Am Learning, Houston, Texas; Kanawha County Schools, Charleston, West Virginia; Atlanta ISD (Signature Only, Atlanta, Georgia, and Tyler ISD, Tyler, Texas.
- D. Consider approval of the following items for Internal Purchasing:
1. **Contract renewal option for job no. 17/002LB for Property and Casualty Insurance with the following vendor:** McGriff, Seibels & Williams of Texas, Inc. for the period of 10/01/2019 through 09/30/2020.
  2. **Contract renewal option for job no. 17/051YR for CASE for Kids After School and Summer Direct Service Providers with the following vendors:** A.I. R. Project; ALAR Institute, Inc.; Baked with Confidence; Go-Strategic Management Services; Houston Urban Debate League; and Science of Sport for the period of 10/18/2019 through 10/17/2020.
  3. **Contract award for job no. 19/053KJ Real Estate Brokerage/Consulting Services for Harris County Department of Education to the proposers offering the best value to HCDE and meeting the specifications outlined in the RFP:** Arvo Realty Advisors, Colliers International Houston, Inc., Pollan Hausman Real Estate Services, LLC., and Winfrey Real Estate and Development, Inc. for the period of 10/01/2019 through 09/30/2020, with an

option to renew annually for up to (4) additional years, subject to annual appropriations of funding.

4. **Contract award for RFQ 19/054KJ Certified General Appraiser for Harris County Department of Education** to the proposers who have demonstrated competence and qualifications, for a fair and reasonable price, and meeting the specifications outlined in the RFQ: CBRE Valuation & Advisory Services, JLL Valuation & Advisory Services, LLC., and Valbridge Property Advisors, for the period of 10/01/2019 through 09/30/2020, with an option to renew annually for up to (4) additional years, subject to annual appropriations of funding.
  
5. **Contract award for job no. 19/013IA-3 for CASE for Kids After School and Summer Direct Service Providers to the proposers offering the best value to HCDE and meeting the specifications outlined in the RFP:** 5 Star Academy; Adaptive Instructional Modeling, LLC.; Bayou City Fencing Academy; CoHeart Yoga; For The Children Consulting; FotoFest, Inc. Girlstart; Histriox Learning; Javier Lopez; Laddering Your Success, LLC.; MatScience, Inc.; Monica Lewis School of Etiquette; New Spectrum Educational Consultants; NO EGO APPAREL; Ondi Love Center Ministries; One Way Education, LLC.; Productive Ventures; Solel International; The Ensemble Theatre; Victory Group; Virtuous Star, Inc.; WayOut Kids; World Youth Foundation, Inc.; Young Audiences, Inc. of Houston; and Young Picassos Houston. The initial contract period shall be for a term of one (1) year, from 10/01/2019 through 09/30/2020, with an option to renew annually for up to (4) additional years, subject to annual appropriations of funding. Contract is in accordance with Texas Education Code 44.031.

E. Consider approval of the following Revenue Agreements:

1. **Consider approval of Interlocal (revenue) contracts for FY 2020 in the aggregate amount of \$726,554 with Academic and Behavior School East with the following districts:**  
Dickinson ISD for eight (8) out-of-county annual contracts in the amount of \$190,824 (\$23,853 each);  
Houston ISD for fifteen (15) in-county annual contracts in the amount of \$309,075 (\$20,605 each);  
Huffman ISD for five (5) in-county annual contracts in the amount of \$103,025 (\$20,605 each);  
Pearland ISD for six (6) in-county annual contracts in the amount of \$123,630 (\$20,605 each) for the contract period of 8/26/19 through 06/05/20.
  
2. **Interlocal (revenue) contracts for FY 2020 in the aggregate amount of \$738,429 with Academic and Behavior School West with the following**

**districts:**

Conroe ISD for fifteen (15) out-of-county annual contracts in the amount of \$357,795 (\$23,853 each);

Houston ISD for fifteen (15) in-county annual contracts in the amount of \$309,075 (\$20,605 each);

Santa Fe ISD for three (3) out-of-county annual contracts in the amount of \$71,559 (\$23,853 each) for the contract period of 8/26/19 through 06/05/20.

3. **Amendment #1 to Interlocal (revenue) contract between Academic and Behavior School West and Fort Bend ISD** to increase the aggregate amount of additional units (monthly) from \$40,000 to \$60,000, (an increase of \$20,000) for out-of-county contract for FY 2019.
  4. **Amendment #1 to Interlocal (revenue) contract between Academic and Behavior School West and Houston ISD** to increase the aggregate amount from \$304,500 to \$372,100 (an increase of \$67,600) for thirteen (13) additional units for FY 2019 Extended School Year Services (ESY) Summer School (in-county \$5,200) for the time period of 06/10/2019 through 07/11/2019.
  5. **Consider approval of Certification Contribution Agreement (Revenue Agreement) between the HCDE CASE for Kids Division and the Gulf Coast Workforce Board** for the period of 10/01/2019 through 09/30/2020. HCDE will certify \$1,500,000 to receive matching funds from the Gulf Coast Workforce Board for the CASE Partnership Project in the amount of \$1,753,386. This contract will create one new FTE and 4 quarter-time positions for CASE for Kids.
- C. 2. **Contract renewal option for job no. 16/060CG for Security Officers and Related Items with the following vendor:** Executive Threat Solutions, Inc. (#16/060CG-01) for the period 11/15/2019 through 11/14/2020.

*Motion made by Richard Cantu, seconded by Danny Norris to approve the contract renewal option for job no. 16/060CG for Security Officers and Related Items with the following vendor: Executive Threat Solutions, Inc. (#16/060CG-01) for the period 11/15/2019 through 11/14/2020.*

*Motion passes with 7-0 voting to approve.*

- D. 6. **Contract award for job no. 19/056KJ Adult Education Short Term Vocational Training Programs for Harris County Department of Education to the proposers offering the best value to HCDE and meeting the specifications outlined in the RFP:** Accelerated Career Training, Bell Tech Career Institute, Inc., HTEC-Houstons Training Education Center, Inc., and KS Phlebotomy School, LLC, for the period of 10/01/2019 through



09/30/2024, with an option to renew annually for up to (4) additional years, subject to annual appropriations of funding.

*Motion made Danny Norris, seconded by Mike Wolfe to approve the contract award for job no. 19/056KJ Adult Education Short Term Vocational Training Programs for Harris County Department of Education to the proposers offering the best value to HCDE and meeting the specifications outlined in the RFP: Accelerated Career Training, Bell Tech Career Institute, Inc., HTEC-Houstons Training Education Center, Inc., and KS Phlebotomy School, LLC, for the period of 10/01/2019 through 09/30/2024, with an option to renew annually for up to (4) additional years, subject to annual appropriations of funding, as amended to eliminate the phrase "with an option to renew annually for up to (4) additional years, subject to annual appropriations of funding".*

*Motion passes with 7-0 voting to approve.*

## 7. ACTION ITEMS - NON-CONSENSUS

- A. **Discussion of "Truth in Taxation" calculations, Effective Tax Rate, Rollback Tax rate and approval of Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. Consider a proposed Tax Rate** of \$0.005029 per \$100 assessed property value for Tax Year 2019 (Fiscal Year 2019-2020). The Effective Tax Rate has been calculated at \$0.005030 per \$100 assessed property value. The recommended tax rate is below the Effective Tax Rate. If approved, the proposed tax rate will not require additional public hearings and notices.

*Motion made by Danny Norris, seconded by Richard Cantu to discuss "Truth in Taxation" calculations, Effective Tax Rate, Rollback Tax rate and to approve a Tax Rate of \$0.005029 per \$100 assessed property value for Tax Year 2019 (Fiscal Year 2019-2020).*

*Motion made by Don Sumners, seconded by Mike Wolfe to amend the tax rate to \$0.0050 per \$100 assessed property value.*

*Motion made by Josh Flynn, seconded by Mike Wolfe to amend the tax rate to \$0.0042 per \$100 assessed property value.*

*Motion made by Danny Norris, seconded by George Moore to call the question.*

*Motion passes with 5-2 voting to call the question with Eric Dick and Josh Flynn voting nay.*

*Motion to amend the tax rate to \$0.0042 fails 2-5 with Richard Cantu, Danny Norris, Eric Dick, George Moore, and Don Sumners voting nay.*

*Motion to amend the tax rate to \$0.0050 passes 4-3 with Richard Cantu, Danny Norris and Josh Flynn voting nay.*

*Motion to approve a Tax Rate of \$0.0050 per \$100 assessed property value for Tax Year 2019 (Fiscal Year 2019-2020) passes 4-3 with Richard Cantu, Danny Norris, and Josh Flynn voting nay.*

- B. Consider approval (expenditure) of a license agreement between Cityspan Technologies (Job no. 19/030KJ) and HCDE (CASE for Kids) for the maintenance of FY 2019/2020 afterschool attendance and project management database for a total amount not to exceed \$75,000.**

*Motion made by Danny Norris, seconded by George Moore to approve the (expenditure) of a license agreement between Cityspan Technologies (Job no. 19/030KJ) and HCDE (CASE for Kids) for the maintenance of FY 2019/2020 afterschool attendance and project management database for a total amount not to exceed \$75,000.*

*Motion passes with 7-0 voting to approve.*

- C. Consider second reading and approval of the following revised local policies:**

1. CAA(LOCAL)
2. CDA(LOCAL)
3. CH(LOCAL)
4. CJA(LOCAL)
5. CK(LOCAL)
6. CQ(LOCAL)
7. CV(LOCAL)
8. DCB(LOCAL)
9. DEA(LOCAL)
10. DEC(LOCAL)
11. DED(LOCAL)
12. DFD(LOCAL)
13. DH(LOCAL)
14. DHE(LOCAL)
15. DIA(LOCAL)
16. FMA(LOCAL)
17. FNG(LOCAL)
18. GF(LOCAL)

- 19. GKA(LOCAL)
- 20. GKB(LOCAL)

*Motion made by George Moore, seconded by Danny Norris to approve the revised local policies.*

*Motion made by Don Sumners, seconded by Josh Flynn to postpone this item until after Closed Session.*

*Motion passes 6-1, with George Moore voting nay, to postpone the item to after Closed Session.*

**D. Consider first reading of revised Policy BED (Local)**

*No action taken*

- E. Consider approval of First Amendment to Services Contract between HCDE and EdOpp Solutions LLC (Adult Ed Program) to increase the not-to-exceed amount from \$49,000 to \$69,000. The contractor will prepare and deliver Certificate programs for customer service, administrative assistants and tech programs.**

*Motion made by Danny Norris, seconded by Richard Cantu to approve the First Amendment to Services Contract between HCDE and EdOpp Solutions LLC (Adult Ed Program) to increase the not-to-exceed amount from \$49,000 to \$69,000. The contractor will prepare and deliver Certificate programs for customer service, administrative assistants and tech programs.*

*Motion passes with 7-0 voting to approve.*

- F. Consider approval of contract between CASE for Kids (revenue agreement) and the City of Houston for the period of 09/18/2019 through 06/30/2020 in the amount up to \$770,000 for CASE for Kids to provide after-school programs and/or out-of-school activities and projects. This agreement is pending Houston City Council approval and signatures.**

*Motion made by Richard Cantu, seconded by Danny Norris to approve the contract between CASE for Kids (revenue agreement) and the City of Houston for the period of 09/18/2019 through 06/30/2020 in the amount up to \$770,000 for CASE for Kids to provide after-school programs and/or out-of-school activities and projects. This agreement is pending Houston City Council approval and signatures.*

*Motion passes with 7-0 voting to approve.*

G. **Discussion and possible action to fill HCDE Trustee Position 1, Precinct 2, including process for filling seat.**

*Motion made by Danny Norris, seconded by Don Sumners to discuss a process to fill HCDE Trustee Position 1, Precinct 2. Danny Norris and Don Sumners withdrew their motion.*

*Motion made by Danny Norris, seconded by Don Sumners to approve a process for filling the vacant position of Position 1, Precinct 2, with the process to include a one-page letter of interest, a resume, and a notarized affidavit affirming the individual's eligibility qualifications, to further include that no formal interview process will occur; if board members desire to meet with a candidate, they can do so, provided a quorum of the Board is not invoked; the process will be published via an advertisement at the Harris County Courthouse and on HCDE's website in a prominent location; the advertisement shall be posted for a period of three weeks, and the deadline for submission of applications is October 14, 2019.*

*Friendly amendment to motion add that any action item regarding filling the vacant Trustee Position 1, Precinct 2 shall only be considered at regular meetings of the HCDE Board.*

*Motion passes with 5-0-2 voting to approve with George Moore and Mike Wolfe abstaining.*

*The Board entered into Closed Session at 3:00 p.m.*

8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** Under the Texas Government Code pursuant to any and all purposes permitted by Sections 551.001-551.084, including, but not limited to: 551.071; 551.074
- A. Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline and/or dismissal of HCDE employees.

*The Board entered into Open Session at 3:55 p.m.*

9. **RECONVENE** for possible action on items discussed in executive session
7. C. **Consider second reading and approval of the following revised local policies:**
1. CAA(LOCAL)
  2. CDA(LOCAL)

3. CH(LOCAL)
4. CJA(LOCAL)
5. CK(LOCAL)
6. CQ(LOCAL)
7. CV(LOCAL)
8. DCB(LOCAL)
9. DEA(LOCAL)
10. DEC(LOCAL)
11. DED(LOCAL)
12. DFD(LOCAL)
13. DH(LOCAL)
14. DHE(LOCAL)
15. DIA(LOCAL)
16. FMA(LOCAL)
17. FNG(LOCAL)
18. GF(LOCAL)
19. GKA(LOCAL)
20. GKB(LOCAL)

*Motion made by Josh Flynn, seconded by Richard Cantu to approve the revised local policies, with the exception of number 15. DIA(LOCAL).*

*Motion passes with 7-0 voting to approve the revised local policies, with the exception of number 15. DIA(LOCAL).*

*Motion made by Josh Flynn, seconded by Mike Wolfe to exclude the word "sex" from Policy DIA (LOCAL) until there is a decision from the U.S. Supreme Court providing a definition of the word "gender" .*

*Motion fails 2-5 with Richard Cantu, Danny Norris, Eric Dick, George Moore, and Don Sumners voting nay.*

*Motion made by Danny Norris, seconded by Richard Cantu to approve revised Policy DIA(LOCAL).*

*Motion passes with 5-2 voting to approve with Josh Flynn and Mike Wolfe voting nay.*

## 10. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### A. **Human Resources Information Items**

### B. **August 2019 Employee Count**

- C. **Contract award 19/013IA and 19/013IA-02 for CASE for Kids After School and Summer Direct Service Providers was awarded** by the Board of Trustees on 02/27/2019 and 07/17/2019. The agenda item stated it was for a 5-year term. The actual term as stated on the RFP, is for the more restrictive one-year term with an option to renew annually for up to (4) additional years, subject to annual appropriation of funding. Execution of Offers are being revised to reflect the more restrictive terms.

11. **ADJOURN** - Next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 16, 2019, Board Room, 6300 Irvington Blvd., Houston, Texas, 77022, at 1:00 p.m.

*Motion made by George Moore, seconded by Danny Norris to adjourn the meeting.*

*Motion passes with 7-0 voting to adjourn.*

*Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.*

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Board President

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Board Secretary