Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 28, 2023 5:30 PM Tejano Center for Community Concerns 2950 Broadway St. Houston, TX 77017

#### <u>Agenda</u>

- 1. CALL TO ORDER (2 minutes) 5:30 pm; David Corpus
- 2. PRAYER (3 minutes) Jessica Granados
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/TEXAS PLEDGE (2 minutes) Marco Martinez
- 4. **ROLL CALL** (3 minutes) David Corpus

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived	Departed
David Corpus	Board Chair	Present	5:30 pm	
Anthony Magdaleno	Board Vice Chair	Present	5:41 pm	
Margaret Dunlap	Board Secretary	Absent		
Maria Gonzalez	Board Member	Absent		
Sonia Gonzales	Board Member	Absent		
Joaquin Martinez	Board Member	Absent		
Gina De Leon	Board Member	Present	5:35 pm	
Marco Martinez	Board Member	Present	5:30 pm	
Genesis Loera	Board Member	Present	5:32 pm	
Laura Mayorga	Board Member	Present	5:33 pm	

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT** (7-10 minutes) Any individual wishing to address the Board of Directors of Tejano Center for Community Concerns must sign in with Jessica Villarreal, Board Services, by emailing a request to speak, at least 72-hours prior to scheduled meeting. The request must include the name of speaker, telephone, number and email address of the speaker, and the topic of the intended comments, to Jessica.villarreal@tejanocenter.org. Those doing so will be allowed to address the board for a maximum of three minutes. Individuals will address the board in the order that they have signed in. Alternatively, the individual may email comments to the above email address.

#### 6. PRESIDENT'S PRESENTATIONS & UPDATES

6.a. Update on OST Lofts

**Speaker(s):** Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Donna Rickenbacker, DWR Development Group

 6.b. Update on Sunrise Lofts
 Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Stephan Fairfield, CEO of Community Covenant Capital

#### 7. ACTION ITEMS

7.a. Approval of Minutes of the October 26, 2023 Meeting of Tejano Center for Community Concerns/Raul Yzaguirre Schools for Success Board of Directors. Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools

Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Gina De Leon; motion passed.

7.b. Approval of August 2023 Unaudited Financials for Raul Yzaguirre Schools for Success and Tejano Center for Community Concerns\_Non-School **Speaker(s):** Dr. Jesus Amezcua, HCDE Chief Financial Officer Consultant

# Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Marco Martinez; motion passed.

7.c. Approval of Budget Amendment #4 in the Amount of \$60,000 to Pay for Extra Duty Pay for High School Organization 001. This is a Transfer from Other Funds and Will not Affect Net Assets.
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr.

Jesus Amezcua, HCDE Chief Financial Officer Consultant; Justin Fuentes, Chief Schools & Operations Officer

# Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Gina De Leon; motion passed.

7.d. Approval of Budget Amendment #5 in the Amount of \$11,700 to Move Funds to Object 6299 Contracted Services in the Early College STEM Academy (High School). This is a Transfer Between Functions with no Effect on Net Assets. Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools;Dr. Jesus Amezcua, HCDE Chief Financial Officer Consultant; Justin Fuentes, Chief Schools & Operations Officer

## Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Gina De Leon; motion passed.

7.e. Approval of Budget Amendment #6 for the Food Service Program in the Amount of \$150,000 Due to Increased Enrollment.
 Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, HCDE Chief Financial Officer Consultant; Justin Fuentes, Chief Schools & Operations Officer

# Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Gina De Leon; motion passed.

7.f. Approval of Budget Amendment #7 in the amount of \$75,000 to set up various organizational codes to account and report information in compliance with FIRST Ratings. This is a transfer between functions with no effect on net reserves. Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools;Dr. Jesus Amezcua, HCDE Chief Financial Officer Consultant; Justin Fuentes, Chief Schools & Operations Officer

## Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Gina De Leon; motion passed.

7.g. Approval of RYSS Expansion Financing MTI Structure in which Equitable Facilities Fund (EFF) and RAZA Development are the First Lender Members. Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, HCDE Chief Financial Officer Consultant

## Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Marco Martinez; motion passed.

 7.h. Approval of RYSS Expansion Financing Counsel, Cantu Harden Montoya LLP, 12 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100, Houston, Texas 77046, Agreement.
 Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools

## Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Marco Martinez; motion to tabled passed.

7.i. Approval of Adding Antonio Zambrano, New Chief Financial and Operations Officer to the Bank Accounts; Deleting Dr. Jesus Amezcua, HCDE Chief Financial Officer Consultant and Adam Dominguez, Business Manager from the Bank Accounts. Speaker(s): Dr. Jesus Amezcua, HCDE Chief Financial Officer Consultant

## Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Gina De Leon; motion passed.

7.j. Approval of Level Field Partners' Professional Service Agreement for the BRYSS Expansion (Brownsville).
 Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, HCDE Chief Financial Officer Consultant; Justin Fuentes, Chief Schools & Operations Officer

Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Gina De Leon; Anthony Magdaleno motion to tabled seconded by Gina De Leon. Motion to tabled passed.

7.k. Approval of 2-Year Lease Renewal for 6200 Gulf Freeway Suite 200, Houston, Texas 77023.
Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, HCDE Chief Financial Officer Consultant

## Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Gina De Leon; motion passed.

7.1. Approval of Acceptance of \$100,000 Grant from CenterPoint Energy Foundation. Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graci Garces, Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer; Gabby Luna, Director of Affordable Housing and Community Redevelopment

Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Marco Martinez; motion passed.

7.m. Approval of Acceptance of \$3,500 Prosperity Bank Donation for Housing Program.

**Speaker(s):** Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Gabby Luna, Director of Affordable Housing and Community Redevelopment

## Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Gina De Leon; motion passed.

 7.n. Approval of Student Technology Devices Purchase Funded by the TCLAS Technology Lending Grant
 Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Jesus Amezcua, HCDE Chief Financial Officer Consultant; Justin Fuentes, Chief

Schools & Operations Officer

## Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Gina De Leon; motion passed.

7.o. Approval of the 2023-2024 District and Campus Improvement Plans
 Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools;
 Justin Fuentes, Chief Schools & Operations Officer

## Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Gina De Leon; motion passed.

 7.p. Approval of Requalification and Re-election of David Corpus to the Tejano Center for Community Concerns Board of Directors.
 Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools

# Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Marco Martinez; motion passed.

 7.q. Approval of Re-qualification and Re-election of Anthony Magdaleno to the Tejano Center for Community Concerns Board of Directors.
 Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools

#### Motion made by Marco Martinez seconded by Gina De Leon; motion passed.

 7.r. Approval of Re-qualification and Re-election of Margarita Dunlap to the Tejano Center for Community Concerns Board of Directors.
 Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools

## Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Marco Martinez; motion passed.

7.s. Ratification of Disbursement Report/Vendor cumulative payments for November 2023 to include procurement processes and expenditure approvals.
 Speaker(s): Dr. Jesus Amezcua, HCDE Chief Financial Officer Consultant

## Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Gina De Leon; motion passed.

 7.t. Ratification of Contract with Harris County Department of Education for Four Staff Members to Provide Business Support Services for the Period of July 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023, in the Amount of \$160,700.
 Speaker(s): Dr. Jesus Amezcua, HCDE Chief Financial Officer Consultant

Motion made by Anthony Magdaleno seconded by Marco Martinez; motion passed.

#### 8. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 8.a. Texas Homeowners Assistance Fund Grant Award Update Decommission of \$371,880.48 from the \$527,400.50
  Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Gabby Luna, Director of Affordable Housing and Community Redevelopment
- 8.b. Child Placing Agency Monthly Report Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graci Garces, Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer; Brenda Navarette, Director of Child Placing Agency
- 8.c. GRADcafe Monthly Report Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graci Garces, Chief Strategy & External Affairs; Melissa Martinez, Director of GRADcafe/NOVA Academy for Adult Education
- 8.d. Homebuyer & Homeowner Services Monthly Report. **Speaker(s):** Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graci

Garces, Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer; Gabby Luna, Director of Affordable Housing and Community Redevelopment

8.e. La Tiendita Program Monthly Report

**Speaker(s):** Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graci Garces, Chief Strategy & External Affairs Officer; Jorge Gonzalez, Director of Resolve Program (interim oversight of La Tiendita)

- 8.f. Resolve Program Monthly Report Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graci Garces, Chief Strategy & External Affairs; Jorge Gonzalez, Director of Resolve Program
- 8.g. Best Christmas Ever Update

**Speaker(s):** Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools;Graci Garces, Chief Strategy & External Affairs

8.h. 5th Annual State of the Center Luncheon Update Speaker(s): Dr. Adriana Tamez, President/CEO & Superintendent of Schools; Graci Garces, Chief Strategy & External Affairs

#### 9. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

# 10. EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE §§ 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, AND 551.082, TO ADDRESS:

a. Private consultation with attorney concerning privileged issues from agenda matters and pending or threatened litigations.

b. Deliberations concerning the purchase of real property

c. Deliberations concerning the duties of the CEO and CFO regarding supervision of personnel

d. Consider complaints against directors and senior staff

e. Discussion of duties and evaluation of administrative personnel, including complaints regarding school staffing, academic and organizational changes for the 2022-2023 school year

#### ADJOURNMENT @ 6:27 pm

**Board Secretary**