RIO HONDO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

215 West Colorado Street
Rio Hondo, Texas 78583
August 8, 2011

The Board of Trustees of the Rio Hondo Independent School District met in a Regular Session on Monday, August 8, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, 215 W. Colorado Street, Rio Hondo, Texas, with Mrs. Garza, President, presiding.

TRUSTEES:	PRESENT -	President	Noemi Garza
		Vice President	Manuel Flores, Jr.
		Secretary	Susan G. Lopez
			Thomas E. Wiesman
			Rene Alfaro
			Tomas Gomez
	ABSENT -		Noe Alaniz, Jr.
SUPERINTENDENT:			Anneliese McMinn
RECORDER:			Florence Landry
ADMINISTRATION:			Richard Savage, Rita Lopez, Elda Garza, Veronica Puente, Ida Stevens, Annette Jaramillo, Guadalupe Garza
VISITORS:			See Attached List

Items 1 & 2 Mrs. Garza called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., after noting a quorum was present and that the meeting notice had been posted as required by law.

Item 3 Mrs. Garza led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 4 Welcome/Open Forum:

Mrs. Garza welcomed everyone and invited comments from the audience. There were none.

Item 5 A motion was made by Mr. Alfaro to approve consent agenda items 6 and 7. Seconded by Ms. Lopez, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 6 *Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 11, 2011, and Called Meeting of July 18, 2011, approved.

Item 7 *Budget Amendment # 8, approved.

Item 8 A motion was made by Mr. Wiesman to approve Monthly Financial Report, Cafeteria Report, and Tax Collection Report. Seconded by Mr. Gomez, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 9 A motion was made by Mr. Wiesman to Acknowledge Certification of 2011 Appraisal Roll as presented by the Cameron County Appraisal District. Seconded by Mr. Gomez, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 10 Report by Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP on Delinquent Tax Collections for Rio Hondo Independent School District.

Monica Solis, Attorney with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP, reviewed the Activity Report on Delinquent Tax Collections for the period September 1, 2010 through July 31, 2011, for Rio Hondo Independent School District.

Item 11 Guadalupe Garza, Elementary School Principal, Annette Jaramillo, Intermediate School Principal, Ms. Ida Stevens, Junior High School Principal, and Veronica Puente, High School Principal, reviewed their 2011-2012 Student Handbooks with the Board, emphasizing the changes made to the Student Handbooks.

Elementary School Principal Guadalupe Garza will review a revised Elementary Campus Student Handbook at another board meeting.

Item 12 Guadalupe Garza, Elementary School Principal, Mrs. Annette Jaramillo, Intermediate School Principal, Ms. Ida Stevens, Junior High School Principal, and Ms. Veronica Puente, High School Principal, reviewed their 2011-2012 Faculty Handbooks with the Board explaining the changes made to the Faculty Handbooks.

Item 13 A motion was made by Mr. Alfaro to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement and Memo of Understanding for Cameron County Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (JJAEP) for the 2011-2012 School Year, with changes to Page 8. Seconded by Mr. Gomez, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 14 A motion was made by Mr. Wiesman to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for Rio Hondo I.S.D. A.R.M.Y (Academy for the Rehabilitation and Motivation of Youth) Program and Cameron County Juvenile Probation for the 2011-2012 School Year. Seconded by Ms. Lopez, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 15 After Deputy Superintendent Richard Savage reviewed the Student Code of Conduct, a motion was made by Mr. Alfaro to approve the Student Code of Conduct. Seconded by Mr. Flores, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 16 A motion was made by Mr. Wiesman to designate Susan G. Lopez as the Delegate and Tomas Gomez as the Alternate for the 2011 Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Delegate Assembly in Austin, Texas, September 30, 2011 - October 2, 2011. Seconded by Mr. Flores, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 17 A motion was made by Mr. Flores to schedule the date of Monday, August 29, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. for Budget Hearing and to Set Tax Rate for the 2011-2012 School Year based on the 2011 Appraisal Roll. Seconded by Mr. Alfaro, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 18 A motion was made by Mr. Flores to table Item 18 and to go into Closed Session to address Item 22. Seconded by Mr. Alfaro, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 22 Mrs. Garza closed the regular session at 9:12 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. The regular session resumed at 9:30 p.m. Personnel items were as follows:

•Personnel:

Consider Approving Substitute Teacher List for the 2011-2012 School Year

A motion was made by Mr. Alfaro to approve the Substitute Teacher List for the 2011- 2012 School Year, as recommended by the Superintendent. Seconded by Ms. Lopez, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 18 RESUMED:

Robert Pena representing Texas Energy Consultants addressed the Board regarding the proposed Duke Energy Project.

A motion was made by Mr. Wiesman to Authorize Consideration by Board of Application from Duke Energy for a Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes. Seconded by Mr. Alfaro, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 19 A motion was made by Mr. Alfaro to Authorize the Superintendent to Review and Issue, as Appropriate, Notice of Completed Application Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes, with school district attorney's review. Seconded by Mr. Flores, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 20 **Dan Casey, Partner, Moak, Casey & Associates, Inc., Austin, Texas, explained the Application for Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes process.**

A motion was made by Mr. Flores to Approve Hiring Moak, Casey & Associates, Inc., Austin, Texas, to Assist the Board in its Consideration of Application for Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes, with the understanding that the cost would be paid by Duke Energy. Seconded by Mr. Gomez, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 21 **Discussion and Possible Action to Amend District Policy CCG(LOCAL).**

A motion was made by Mr. Wiesman to amend District Policy CCG(LOCAL), as presented. Seconded by Ms. Lopez, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 22 **ADDRESSED AFTER ITEM 17**

Item 23 **There being no further business before the Board, Ms. Garza adjourned the meeting at 9:33 p.m.**

Noemi Garza, President

Susan G. Lopez, Secretary

VISITORS/GUESTS

Persons wishing to have their comments heard tonight during the public comment period must first complete, and present to the Board President, the "Citizen's Public Comment Request Form."

VISITANTES/INVITADOS

Las personas que deseen presentar commentarios o problemas esta noche durante el periodo de comentarios publicos, primero deben completar y presentar al Presidente del Consejo Directivo Escolar la forma de "Peticion para commentos publicos".

RIO HONDO I.S.D. BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING ON August 8, 2011

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