RIO HONDO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

215 West Colorado Street
Rio Hondo, Texas 78583
January 12, 2009

The Board of Trustees of the Rio Hondo Independent School District met in a Regular Session on Monday, 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	Thomas E. Wiesman
		Secretary	Rene Alfaro
			Rolando Alfaro
			Xavier Hernandez
			Susan G. Lopez
			Manuel Flores, Jr.
	ABSENT -		None
SUPERINTENDENT:			Anneliese McMinn
RECORDER:			Florence Landry
ADMINISTRATION:			Elda Garza, Rita Lopez Richard Savage, Michelle Everett, Ida Stevens, Annette Jaramillo, Juan Montez
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 ROTC Color Guard 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 **Presentation of Appreciation Certificates to Board Members**

Superintendent McMinn expressed appreciation to the board members for their valuable and dedicated service to the District. The board members were presented with appreciation certificates by the administrators.

Item 6 **Principals' Report: Update on Instruction**

Principals Puente, Stevens, Jaramillo, and Montez gave an update on their plans and strategies to improve scores.

Item 7 **A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to approve consent agenda items 8 and 9. Seconded by Mr. Hernandez, the motion carried unanimously.**

Item 8 ***Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 8, 2008, approved.**

Item 9 ***Notice of Grant Award (NOGA) SAS #: RLISAA09, Title VI, Part B. SubPart 2, Rural & Low-Income School Program, accepted.**

Item 10 **A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to approve the Monthly Financial Report, Cafeteria Report, and Tax Collection Report. Seconded by Mr. Rene Alfaro, the motion carried unanimously.**

Item 11 **Report on the Texas School Clean Bus Program.**

Elda Garza, Assistant Superintendent of Federal Programs, reviewed the Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP) grant information on school bus retrofits for nine of the older buses in the transportation department.

Item 12 **A motion was made by Rolando Alfaro to set the date of Thursday, January 29, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. for the Superintendent's evaluation and consideration of Superintendent's contract. Seconded by Mr. Hernandez, the motion carried unanimously.**

Item 13 **A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to set the date of Thursday, January 29, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. to accept the 2007-2008 District Audit Report. Seconded by Mr. Wiesman, the motion carried unanimously.**

Item 14 **A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to adopt the Resolution that Calls for School Board Trustees Elections for the second Saturday in May 2009, for Place 1, Place 2, Place 3, and Place 4. Seconded by Mr. Flores, the motion carried unanimously.**

Item 15 **A motion was made by Mr. Hernandez to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Shared Speech Therapy Services. Seconded by Mr. Rolando Alfaro, the motion carried unanimously.**

Item 16 **A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to table the Lease Agreement with Neighbors In Need of Services, Inc. (NINOS) for eight (8) classrooms on the west corner of Harrolds and Roberto Garza Jr., Street, (Intermediate School Campus) Rio Hondo, Texas. Seconded by Mrs. Lopez, the motion carried unanimously.**

Item 17 **Public Hearing – Report of 2007-2008 Annual Performance Report.**

Deputy Superintendent Richard Savage reviewed the 2007-2008 Annual Performance Report.

Mr. Savage reviewed the School Safety Report, Performance Objectives, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Reports, and the Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) Reports.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Community Member/Parent Hoss Lozano made public comments regarding the 2007-2008 Annual Performance Report.

Item 18 **Mrs. Garza closed the regular session at 8:22 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. The regular session resumed at 8:41 p.m. Personnel items were as follows:**

Personnel:

Consider Approving Addendum to the Substitute Teacher List for the 2008-2009 school year.

A motion was made by Mr. Rolando Alfaro to approve the Addendum to the Substitute Teacher List for the 2008-2009 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent. Seconded by Mr. Rene Alfaro, the motion carried unanimously.

Item 19 **There being no further business before the Board, Mrs. Garza adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m.**

Noemi Garza

Noemi Garza, President

Rene Alfaro

Rene Alfaro, 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 January 12, 2009.

1. MSgt Barrera TX-96
2. AFJROTC Cadet Color Guard
3. Veronica Puente
4. M. Rivera
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7. Elda [illegible]
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9. Rene Cortez
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