



**LAREDO COLLEGE DISTRICT**

Laredo, Texas

The special meeting of the Laredo College Board of Trustees convened on Tuesday, April 20, 2021, beginning at 5:01 p.m. in the Samuel A. Meyer Board Room located at the Elpha Lee West Building Room 105 at the Fort McIntosh Campus. Due to health and safety concerns related to the COVID-19 Coronavirus and pursuant to Governor Greg Abbott's Temporary Suspension of Open Meetings Laws issued on March 16, 2020, some of Laredo College Board members participated via Zoom videoconference.

**ROLL CALL**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lupita Zepeda, President  
Jorge "JD" Delgado, Vice President  
Jackie Leven-Ramos, Secretary  
*(arrived at 5:09 p.m.)*  
Cynthia Mares *(participated via Zoom)*  
Mercurio Martinez, Jr.  
Henry S. Carranza, Ph.D.  
Esteban Rangel  
Karina "Kari" Elizondo *(participated via Zoom)*  
Tita C. Vela

OTHERS

Ricardo J. Solis, Ph.D.  
Rusty Meurer *(participated via Zoom)*  
Cesar E. Vela Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Zepeda called the meeting to order. Mr. Delgado called the roll. Ms. Zepeda announced that a quorum of the members was present, that this meeting was duly called, and that notice of this meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

No one signed up for public testimony.

**DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE ALLOCATION OF REVENUES FROM THE STUDENT ACTIVITY FEE FOR THE SOFTBALL/SOCCER PROGRAMS TO THE ATHLETICS PROGRAM** – MS. JACKIE LEVEN-RAMOS

Dr. Ricardo J. Solis, President, asked that information on the funding for athletics be presented to the Board. Mr. Cesar Vela, Vice President of Finance, provided information on how the FY2021 budget was developed which included planning factors and general operating revenue.

Ms. Zepeda recognized the presence of Ms. Leven-Ramos.

Mr. Vela and Dr. Solis answered questions from the Board.

Ms. Leven-Ramos, Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee, presented the Ad Hoc Committee's purpose, the history, budget, projected budget for FY2022, and the proposal for the sports program. Discussion followed.

Ms. Leven-Ramos moved to change the allocation of revenues from the Student Activity Fee for the softball/soccer programs to the sports and wellness program. Mr. Rangel seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Mr. Rangel called for the question. Motion passed.

**NEXT MEETING DATES:**

Ms. Zepeda noted that the next meeting dates are Wednesday, April 21, 2021, 5:00 p.m. for a Special Board of Trustees Meeting and Thursday, April 29, 2021, 6:00 p.m. for a Regular Board of Trustees Meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:10 p.m., Ms. Leven-Ramos moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Carranza seconded the motion; motion carried.