



LAREDO COLLEGE DISTRICT

Laredo, Texas

The special meeting of the Laredo College Board of Trustees convened on Wednesday, March 10, 2021, beginning at 1:01 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
(participated via Zoom)
Jackie Leven-Ramos, Secretary
(participated via Zoom)
Mercurio Martinez, Jr.
Henry S. Carranza, Ph.D.
Cynthia Mares *(participated via Zoom)*
Esteban Rangel *(participated via Zoom)*
Karina "Kari" Elizondo *(participated via Zoom)*
Tita C. Vela *(participated via Zoom)*

OTHERS

Ricardo J. Solis, Ph.D.
Rusty Meurer
Michael Gonzalez

MEMBERS ABSENT

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CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Zepeda called the meeting to order. Ms. Leven-Ramos 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

Mr. Michael Gonzalez, Senior Director of Strategic & External Affairs, read aloud the comment received via email from Ms. Stephanie Villalobos who expressed her support of Laredo College athletic programs.

FORMATION OF AN AD HOC COMMITTEE REGARDING THE ATHLETICS PROGRAM AND APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ms. Zepeda announced the suggested possible exploratory members from Laredo College employees/divisions to the Ad Hoc Committee regarding the Athletics Program.

- 2 – 4 Board members
- 1 institutional effectiveness
- 1 student affairs/support
- 1 finance
- 1 risk/facilities
- 1 athletics department chair
- 1 coach
- 1 faculty
- 1 classified staff
- 1 student from A.S.O.
- 1 management

Discussion followed on committee members. Ms. Zepeda appointed the following Board members to the committee: Ms. Mares, Ms. Leven-

Ramos, Mr. Rangel, and Ms. Elizondo to the committee with Ms. Leven-Ramos serving as the chairperson. Ms. Leven-Ramos moved to approve the committee along with two community members and I.S.Ds' athletics directors on an as needed basis. Ms. Mares seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Ms. Zepeda noted that Dr. Ricardo Solis will name the committee members from the college. Ms. Leven-Ramos recommended to work with Dr. Solis to seek representation from each department named to the committee. Ms. Mares called for the question. Motion passed.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

Ms. Zepeda noted that the next meeting date is Thursday, April 8, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. for a regular Board of Trustees meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:28 p.m., Ms. Leven-Ramos moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Carranza seconded the motion; motion carried.