



STEM ACADEMY

University of Texas of the Permian Basin
4901 E. University Blvd., Odessa, Texas 79762

STEM Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 8, 2017

STEM Academy at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin

Members Present: Maria D. Avalos, Becky Latham, Milka Montes, Lorraine Spickermann, Adrian Vega, Sumit Verma, and Douglas Young.

STEM Staff Present: Shannon Davidson, Curriculum Director
Kathleen Halford, Administrative Assistant II
Selina Mireles, Interim Superintendent
Oscar Rendon, Principal

Guest(s): Kathy Killingsworth, Business

- I. Meeting Called to Order – 12:41pm
 - A. Quorum was established and members introduced themselves.
 - B. Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Texas Flag, led by Selina Mireles.
 - C. Open Forum – No business before the Board.

- II. Action Items
 - A. Approval of Board minutes:

Motion: Becky Latham moved to approve the minutes from the Board meeting held on September 28, 2017, seconded by Dr. Milka Montes. The motion passed without opposition.

 - B. Adoption of Budget Amendments

Kathy Killingsworth provided a financial report to Board members and reviewed its contents in order to close the 2016-2017 budget, open the 2017-2018 budget, and to prepare for PEIMS and audits.

Kathy also proposed an amendment to increase in revenue of \$221,249.00 to increase expenditures to \$400,000.00. The expenditures will fund new technology, instructional resources, educational materials, professional development, new personnel, classroom needs and TxEIS software.

Motion: Douglas Young moved to approve the amendment to the 2017-2018 budget, seconded by Becky Latham. The motion passed without opposition.

- III. Information Items
 - A. STEM Academy Update
 - Oscar Rendon indicated that they are working on teaching evaluations and student attendance.
 - Shannon Davidson provided a document illustrating past and up-coming events, community partnerships, PBL projects, faculty conference presentations, shared initiatives, and future goals.

B. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Selina Mireles

- Board members were reminded of the Board Training to be held on November 17, 2017.
- There are currently three active searches to hire a superintendent, new principal, and business manager. The search committees for these positions have been established and approved by Dr. Sandra Woodley, UTPB President. A timeline was provided

IV. Meeting Adjournment at 1:11pm.