

# UTPB STEM Academy

## Meeting Minutes

May 30, 2017

### OPENING:

The May 30<sup>th</sup> board meeting of the UTPB STEM Academy was called to order at 12:15 P.M. on May 30, 2017 on the campus of the University of Texas of the Permian Basin STEM Academy – District Office, 4901 University Blvd., Odessa, TX, by Dr. Christopher Hiatt.

### BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Christopher Hiatt, Dr. Luis Trueba, Donna Walker and Becky Latham.

### BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dr. Yolanda Salgado, Dr. Roy Hurst, and Dr. Ahmed Kamel

### STEM STAFF PRESENT:

Superintendent: Dr. Juli Ratheal-Burnett

Deputy Superintendent/Principal: Oscar Rendon

Finance Manager: Debra Green

Administrative Assistant II: Kathleen Halford

### 1. OPENING OF MEETING

#### A. Call to Order – Confirm Quorum is Present:

Quorum was met.

#### B. Pledge:

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag led by Oscar Rendon.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag led by Oscar Rendon.

#### C. Open Forum:

None.

**2. INFORMATIONAL ITEM:** Discussion was held on the differences between a university school board vs. a traditional school board.

### 3. ACTION ITEMS

- A. A request for motion was made by Dr. Christopher Hiatt to approve purchases over \$50,000. Dr. Luis Trueba motioned to approve and seconded by Becky Latham.  
(Vote: 4-for 0-against)

#### 4. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

##### A. School Update:

1. **STAAR Scores:** Results discussed.
2. **Summer School:** Will begin 6/5/17.
3. **Buildings:** Phase II will be completed by July 31<sup>st</sup> and Phase III will begin after school starts.
4. **Staffing:** Continuing to hire the needed teachers for the 2017-2018 school year.

#### 5. ADJOURNMENT:

There were no additional comments or discussion.  
Dr. Christopher Hiatt adjourned at 1:01 pm.

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Donna Walker, STEM Academy Board Secretary