UTPB STEM Academy
Meeting Minutes
January 26, 2017

OPENING:
The 20th meeting of the UTPB STEM Academy was called to order at 12:07 P.M. on January 26, 2017 on the campus of the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, Room 1208, 4901 University Blvd, Odessa, TX, by Dr. Christopher Hiatt.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Dr. Christopher Hiatt, Dr. Yolanda Salgado, Dr. Luis Trueba, Becky Latham and Donna Walker.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:
Dr. Roy Hurst and Dr. Ahmed Kamel

STEM STAFF PRESENT:
Superintendent: Dr. Juli Ratheal-Burnett
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. REPORT ITEMS

   A. Audit Presentation:

The audit presentation started at 12:10PM and ended at 12:30PM. Darla Dear, auditor with Belt Harris Pechacek, LLP, phone conferenced in to review audit results.

(*Note: Donna Walker arrived at 12:22pm)

   B. Financial Information:

Financial update was given by Debra Green.
3. ACTION ITEMS

A. A request for motion was made by Dr. Hiatt to approve the December 14th Board Meeting Minutes. Dr. Trueba motioned to approve and seconded by Dr. Salgado. (Vote: 5-for 0-against)

B. A request for motion was made by Dr. Hiatt to approve the 2015-2016 Annual Financial Audit Report. Becky Latham motioned to approve and seconded by Dr. Trueba. (Vote: 5-for 0-against)

4. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

A. Personnel:
Reviewed new personnel that included Warren Koepp (teacher), Gabriella Soto (teacher) and Christine Dockall (teacher).

B. New Teacher Evaluations:
Mr. Rendon is working on a new teacher evaluation system which will be presented to the board during an upcoming meeting.

C. Board Recognition:
Board members were presented with recognition certificates.

5. ADJOURNMENT:

There were no additional comments or discussion.
Dr. Hiatt adjourned at 12:47pm.

Next meeting: TBD

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Donna Walker, STEM Academy Board Secretary