



SOUTH TEXAS
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May 29, 2013

The Honorable Ramon Garcia
Hidalgo County Judge
Hidalgo County Courthouse
P. O. Box 1356
Edinburg, Texas 78540

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COUNTY JUDGE

Dear Judge Garcia,

On Tuesday, May 28, 2013 the South Texas Independent School District Board of Directors' approved Dr. Fausto Meza's resignation from the school board. Dr. Meza served on our school board for 3 years representing the Hidalgo County At-Large position, thus, causing an immediate vacancy to the South Texas ISD Board of Directors.

According to the former Chapter 26 of the Texas Education Code, Section 26.34 (c), and as continued in effect by Texas Education Code 11.301, vacancies in the offices of directors must be filled by appointment by the county judge for the unexpired term.

As the Chief Medical Officer for Doctors' Hospital at Renaissance, Dr. Meza was able to assist the district in securing clinical opportunities for our students. Therefore, we would very much appreciate your consideration of another physician that is associated with DHIR to serve on the STISD board. This would ensure continuation and expansion of our partnership with DHIR.

Please advise me of the individual you will appoint to serve the unexpired term of Hidalgo County At-Large position as soon as possible. This unexpired term is through November, 2014.

Currently, the Hidalgo County is being represented as follows:

County: Hidalgo			
<i>Precinct Number</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Residence</i>	<i>Term Expires</i>
Elected - Pct. 1	Homero Garcia	Weslaco	Nov. 2016
Elected Pct. 2	Octaviano Gonzalez	San Juan	Nov. 2014
Elected Pct. 3	Filomena Leo, Ed.D.	La Joya	Nov. 2016
Elected Pct. 4	Edward Gonzalez	Edinburg	Nov. 2014
At-Large (appointed)	Fausto S. Meza, M.D., M.P.A.	Edinburg	Nov. 2014
At-Large (appointed)	Maria Leal	Palmhurst	Nov. 2014
At-Large (appointed)	Berta Palacios	San Juan	Nov. 2014
At-Large (appointed)	Richard Fleming, MD	Mission	Nov. 2014
At-Large (appointed)	Ramon Montalvo, III	Weslaco	Nov. 2016
At-Large (appointed)	Sylvia S. Garza	Edinburg	Nov. 2016
At-Large (appointed)	Yolanda Cuellar	Weslaco	Nov. 2016
At-Large (appointed)	Graciela Camargo	Weslaco	Nov. 2016

I have included on the chart the city that is represented by each board member. As you thoughtfully make your decision, please consider appointing someone that is from a community not currently being represented. The decision, however is yours and only yours to make.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marla M. Guerra". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "M" and "G".

Marla M. Guerra, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

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C: Homero Garcia, Board President