



Hidalgo County Head Start Program

P.O. Box 0117 Edinburg, Texas 78540-0117 (956) 383-0706

TO: Grantee Board Members (Commissioners' Court Members)

FROM: Teresa Flores, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Community Representatives Appointments

DATE: September 20, 2019

In accordance with Head Start Performance Standards and the current Hidalgo County Head Start Program Policy Council By-Laws, the Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court is required to nominate five (5) Community Representatives, one by each member, to serve on the Hidalgo County Head Start Program Policy Council for a one year term. The new Performance Standards and the Head Start Act indicate that "No Policy Council member shall serve on the Policy Council for more than five (5) one-year terms." (45CFR (1301.3(d)(3))

Parent members of the Policy Council will be sworn in at the Wednesday, October 16, 2019 meeting. Commissioners' Court appointments will also be approved and sworn in at the same meeting, therefore there is a need for Commissioners' Court to appoint and approve its members. New officers for the Policy Council will also be elected at this meeting. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

The current members on the Policy Council serving as Community Representatives appointed by the Grantee Board (Commissioners' Court) and their years of service are listed below:

Grantee Board Members (Commissioners' Court)	Current Community Representatives	Years of Services	
Richard Cortez County Judge	Dr. Martin "Doc" Castillo	5	(2014-2015) (2015-2016) (2016-2017) (2017-2018) (2018-2019)
David Fuentes Commissioner, Pct. 1	Humberto Chavez	1	(2018-2019)
Eduardo "Eddie" Cantu Commissioner, Pct. 2	Hilda Garza DeShazo	4	(2015-2016) (2016-2017) (2017-2018) (2018-2019)
Joe M. Flores Commissioner, Pct. 3	Jose Luis Trigo	4	(2015-2016) (2016-2017) (2017-2018) (2018-2019)
Ellie Torres Commissioner, Pct. 4	Celine Pardo	1	(2018-2019)