The Laredo Independent School District Board of Trustees and the Laredo Independent School District Public Facility Corporations Board of Directors met for a Special Call Meeting on Thursday, February 3, 2005 at 6:42 p.m. at the LISD Board Room located at 1620 Houston St., Laredo TX.

1. Call to Order the Laredo I.S.D. Board of Trustees Special Call Meeting

Mr. George M. Beckelhymer called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Mr. Jesus J. Guerra called roll.

Dr. Dennis D. Cantu Present
John Peter Montalvo Absent
George M. Beckelhymer Present
Jesus J. Guerra Present
Jose A. Valdez Present
Guillermina Montes Present
Jorge L. Rodriguez Absent

3. Discussion and possible action on the approval of the re-design of the Christen Middle School Campus and adherence to the GMAX and timeline for this project.

Mr. Jesus J. Amezcua

Mr. Jesus J. Amezcua addressed the Board of Trustees and states that they reviewed the plans in detail with the CEIC at Christen Middle School, administration and the department of construction met and the CEIC is recommending the re-design as proposed to the Board of Trustees. Mr. Amezcua gives an overview of the plan to the Board of Trustees.

Mr. George M. Beckelhymer states that Dr. Dennis D. Cantu is present for the record.
Mr. Robert Sepulveda – Sepulveda and Associates addressed the Board of Trustees regarding the estimate of 6 classrooms that may entail in phase II and states to Mr. Beckelhymer that the projection is between 600 and 650 depending on the year that it is built (cost for inflation) and maybe looking at 700 – $750,000.00 dollars if three to four years to built.

Mr. Jesus J. Amezcua comments about demolishing some classrooms until the population is confirmed and there is no need for the new classrooms if so, then they will start building them.

Dr. Dennis D. Cantu comments on the boundaries that staff did in re-arranging the boundaries.

Ms. Sylvia Bruni comments on the demographics and enrollment projection.

Dr. Dennis D. Cantu is concerned with a family where a child goes to one school and the sibling has to go to another school and opposes hardship on the family and children.

Ms. Guillermina Montes asks Mr. Jesus J. Amezcua how many students are at Memorial at this time and at Christen to balance it. She felt that after the boundaries it should have been equalized.

Mr. Jesus J. Amezcua responds and states that Memorial is targeted for growth for 236 students and the school is being built for 950 students giving an addition room of 236.

Mr. Jesus J. Guerra comments on the boundary issues being revisited twice by Dr. Moreno and Rudy Sanchez.

Mr. Jose A. Valdez comments on who is in charge of construction and why they were not here. Who in construction is involved, who was in charge and why aren’t they making this presentation. Mr. Valdez would like to confirm with Ms. Pulido if they had met at Christen and if she was supporting what they proposed. Mr. Valdez also comments on reporting health concerns about employees at Christen who have contacted cancer in that building. Mr. Valdez would like to
know what they are going to do with that. He also comments on growth and comments that the Committee met with the concerns.

Ms. Sylvia Bruni stated that Mr. Jesus J. Amezcua is here due to the GMAX situation and for Mr. Lopez to address the construction question.

Mr. Jose A. Valdez comments that the responsibility is of Mr. Lopez and the construction staff that is at hereto.

Ms. Sylvia Bruni comments that they went to the source.

Ms. Guillermina Montes asks about where the money is going to come from and if the money was going to be taken from another project to put into Christen school?

Mr. Jesus J. Amezcua responds by saying no.

Mr. George M. Beckelhymer comments on the time line?

Mr. Robert Sepulveda states to Mr. George M. Beckelhymer that they started now with Christen and scheduled to be completed summer 2006.

Mr. George M. Beckelhymer makes a motion to approve the re-design of the Christen Middle School campus and adherence to the GMAX and timeline for this project as stated.

Mr. Jose A. Valdez seconded the motion as the Trustee from the district.

Dr. Dennis D. Cantu questions if the 6 classrooms include bathroom facilities, air conditioning and everything.

Mr. Edmundo Lopez addressed the Board of Trustees and states that yes it includes restrooms.

Mr. Robert Sepulveda comments on it being a preliminary drawing that the Board of Trustees is approving tonight and it does not include the 6 additional classrooms and restrooms.
Dr. Dennis D. Cantu states that a figure was quoted and would like to see the research that has gone into the quote and how accurate it may be and does not want to come back in four years and spend 1.2 million dollars. He also comments on what is the amount that is being spent on this renovation.

Mr. Jesus J. Amezcua addressed the Board of Trustees and comments that the Board is approving the plans and the redesign.

Mr. George M. Beckelhymer comments to Ms. Bruni that if she has a moment for her to be briefed by Mr. Sepulveda regarding the beautiful ornate designed room for theatre class where the cafeteria is; a beautiful room.

Mr. Jose A. Valdez comments on the cancer issue and putting the bulldozer to it like Memorial and Bruni.

Mr. George M. Beckelhymer comments on trying to salvage the room that has character and if it is salvageable he would like to salvage it. Mr. Beckelhymer states that he is one voice and that is his opinion.

Ms. Sylvia Bruni comments that the health issue has already been addressed.

Dr. Dennis D. Cantu states that whoever does the study that they are well trained to do that type of study and he is sure that there has been as much heart disease as there has been cancer and does not want to put the district in a precarious position.

Dr. Dennis D. Cantu states that there is a motion and a seconded.

Mr. Jesus J. Amezcua states that the amount of the GMAX is 11 million 233 thousand 981.

Dr. Dennis D. Cantu calls for question. All in Favor. Motion carried.
Dr. Dennis D. Cantu states that it has been commented that this campus was left for the latter part of the bond project but was not inferior or last and as far as the money spent it is very significant and the best school that, that part of town has ever had in its history and have nothing to be ashamed of.

Mr. George M. Beckelhymer makes a motion to recess as the Laredo I.S.D. Board of Trustees and convene as the Laredo I.S.D. Public Facility Corporation Board of Directors.

Mr. Jesus J. Guerra seconded the motion. All in Favor. No oppose.

RECESS AS THE LAREDO I.S.D. BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND CONVENE AS THE LAREDO I.S.D. PUBLIC FACILITY CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

4. Call to Order the Laredo I.S.D. Public Facility Corporation Board of Directors Special Call Meeting

Dr. Dennis D. Cantu called to order the Laredo I.S.D. Public Facility Corporation Board of Directors Special Call Meeting.

5. Roll Call

Mr. George M. Beckelhymer calls roll.

Dr. Dennis D. Cantu Present
John Peter Montalvo Absent
George M. Beckelhymer Present
Jesus J. Guerra Present
Jose A. Valdez Present
Guillermina Montes Present
Jorge L. Rodriguez Absent

6. Discussion and possible action on the approval of the re-design of the Christen Middle School Campus and adherence to the GMAX and timeline for this project.

Mr. Jesus J. Amezcua
Mr. Jose A. Valdez makes a motion to approve the re-design as presented.

Mr. Jesus J. Guerra seconded the motion. No comments. All in Favor. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN AS THE LAREDO I.S.D. PUBLIC FACILITY CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND RECONVENE AS THE LAREDO I.S.D. BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Mr. George M. Beckelhymer states that he would like to adjourn as the Laredo I.S.D. Public Facility Corporation Board of Directors and reconvene as the Laredo I.S.D. Board of Trustees.

Mr. Jesus J. Guerra seconded the motion. All in Favor. No oppose. Motion Carried.

7. Communications

Mr. Jesus J. Amezcua comments on a February 10th workshop and is asking for another week. He would like to re-schedule for a later date; the following week for phase IV.

8. Adjournment

Mr. Jose A. Valdez makes a motion to adjourn.

Mr. George M. Beckelhymer seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Dr. Dennis D. Cantu adjourns the meeting at 7:13 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,

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Dr. Dennis D. Cantu      George M. Beckelhymer
President      Secretary
LISD Board of Trustees      LISD Board of Trustees

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