

MINUTES

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL HYBRID ANNUAL ELECTION MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2022 - 12:00 P.M.
INITIATED AND CHAIRED FROM LRGVDC MAIN CAMPUS
301 W. RAILROAD ST., BUILDING B
WESLACO, TEXAS VIA GOTOMEETING VIDEO CONFERENCE & IN PERSON

PRESIDING: JUDGE AURELIO GUERRA, PRESIDENT

President Aurelio Guerra called the meeting to order at 12:09 p.m. Roll call was taken for the General Membership and a quorum was declared.

President Guerra then moved to item 2: Consider Approval of January 26, 2022, Meeting Minutes. *Mayor Rick Salinas made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor Armando O'Caña seconded and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.*

Upon conclusion of action President Guerra moved to item #3: Caucus to Seat New Board Members.

Executive Director Manuel Cruz was recognized to give the report on caucusing. The caucuses to seat Small Cities, Medium Cities, Educational Institutions, and Special Governmental Units were all held virtually via GoToMeeting on Monday, May 16, 2022, and the following entities were elected to the Board of Directors:

- A. Three (3) Directors Representing Member Cities with Populations between 10,000-24,999

CITY	COUNTY
City of Alamo	Hidalgo
City of Mercedes	Hidalgo
City of Raymondville	Willacy

- B. Three (3) Directors Representing Member Cities with Populations under 10,000

CITY	COUNTY
City of Lyford	Willacy
City Rio Hondo	Cameron
City of Sullivan City	Hidalgo

- C. Two (2) Directors Representing Educational Institutions

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION	COUNTY
South Texas College	Hidalgo
Texas State Technical College	Cameron

D. Two (2) Directors Representing Special Governmental Units

ENTITY	COUNTY
Delta Lake Irrigation District	Hidalgo
Willacy County Navigation District	Willacy

Mr. Cruz reported that the Grassroots Organizations caucused amongst themselves, with the following results:

E. One (1) Director Representing the Poor and Underprivileged (Grassroots Organizations)

NAME	ENTITY
Lupita Sanchez Martinez	Voces Unidas

No board action required; the caucus results stand as reported to staff.

Upon conclusion of the caucus report President Guerra moved to item #4: Act on Recommendations of Nominating Committee and addressed the following:

A. Election of Five Members-at-Large to Serve on General Membership for the 2022-2023 Term

President Guerra reported that the committee recommends the following individuals as at-Large Members to the LRGVDC General Membership:

NAME	CITY	COUNTY
Ms. Ann Cass	McAllen	Hidalgo
Mr. David Penoli	McAllen	Hidalgo
Mayor Pro-tem Rene Estrada	Combes	Cameron
Mr. Jim Darling	McAllen	Hidalgo
Mayor Gorge Rivera	Palm Valley	Cameron

President Guerra called for a motion; *Commissioner David Garza made a motion to approve the slate of Members-at-Large as presented. Mayor David Suarez seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.*

B. Election of Officers for the 2022-2023 Term

Mr. Cruz stated that the Nominating Committee recommends the following slate of officers for the 2022-2023 term:

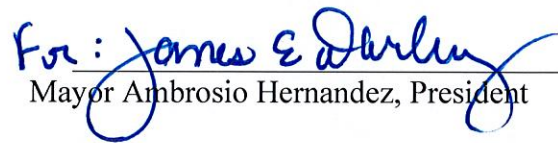
OFFICE	NAME	COUNTY
<i>President</i>	<i>Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez</i>	<i>Hidalgo</i>
<i>1st Vice President</i>	<i>Mayor Trey Mendez</i>	<i>Cameron</i>
<i>2nd Vice President</i>	<i>Mayor David Suarez</i>	<i>Hidalgo</i>
<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Mr. Jim Darling</i>	<i>Hidalgo</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Mayor Norma Sepulveda</i>	<i>Cameron</i>
<i>Immediate Past President</i>	<i>Judge Aurelio Guerra</i>	<i>Willacy</i>

Mayor David Suarez made a motion to approve the slate of Executive Committee

Officers as presented. Commissioner David Garza seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

President Guerra moved to item #5. – New or Unfinished Business and recognized Executive Director Manuel Cruz. Together President Guerra and Mr. Cruz presented recognition plaques to former Mayor of Primera, Jorge Ledezma for 2 years of service to the LRGVDC Board of Directors. City of Alamo Commissioner J.R. Garza accepted a plaque for Commissioner Pilar Garza in recognition of her 10 years of service to the LRGVDC Board of Directors. Lastly, former City of Harlingen Mayor Chris Boswell was presented a plaque for his 15 years of service to the LRGVDC Board of Directors which included two terms as Board President.

Upon conclusion of the presentation of service awards, and there being no further business to come before the General Membership, **Mayor Rick Salinas made a motion to Adjourn; Mayor David Suarez seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:28 pm.**

For: 

Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez, President

ATTEST:



Deborah Morales, Recording Secretary