

MINUTES

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL VIRTUAL ANNUAL ELECTIONS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2020 - 12:00 P.M.
INITIATED FROM LRGVDC MAIN CAMPUS
301 W. RAILROAD ST., BUILDING B
WESLACO, TEXAS VIA GOTOMEETING VIDEO CONFERENCE

PRESIDING: MAYOR DAVID SUAREZ, PRESIDENT

President David Suarez called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. Roll call was taken for the General Membership and the Board of Directors, who are scheduled to meet immediately after this meeting, and a quorum was declared for both entities.

The President then moved to item 2: Consider Approval of January 29, 2020 Meeting Minutes. *Ms. Norma Garcia made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner David Garza seconded and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.*

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

At the conclusion of caucusing, the following entities were elected to the Board of Directors:

- A. Three (3) Directors Representing Member Cities with Population from 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 Population under 10,000

CITY	COUNTY
City of Lyford	Willacy
Town of Primera	Cameron
City of Palm Valley	Cameron

- 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

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

NAME	ENTITY
Christina Patiño Houle	RGV Equal Voice Network
Alternate - Lupita Sanchez	Proyeto Juan Diego

Upon conclusion of caucusing President Suarez 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 2020-2021 Term

Nominating Committee Chairman Jim Darling reported that the Committee recommends the following individuals as at-Large Members to the LRGVDC General Membership:

NAME	CITY	COUNTY
Ms. Norma G. Garcia	Donna	Hidalgo
Ms. Ann Cass	McAllen	Hidalgo
Mr. David Penoli	McAllen	Hidalgo
Ms. Celeste Sanchez	San Benito	Cameron
Com. Jesse Zuniga	La Feria	Cameron

Mr. Ronald Mills made a motion to elect this slate of Members-at-Large as presented. Commissioner David Garza seconded, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

B. Election of Officers for the 2020-2021 Term

Committee Chairman Darling stated that the Nominating Committee recommended the following slate of officers for the 2020-2021 term:

OFFICE	NAME	COUNTY
President	Mayor Jim Darling	Hidalgo
1st Vice President	Judge Aurelio Guerra	Willacy
2nd Vice President	Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez	Hidalgo
Secretary	Mayor Chris Boswell	Cameron
Treasurer	Ms. Norma G. Garcia	Hidalgo
Immediate Past President	Mayor David Suarez	Hidalgo

However, he announced that since the Nominating Committee met, Ms. Norma Garcia has elected to withdraw from Executive Committee consideration. This will allow the opportunity for an elected official to be placed on the committee. Additionally, the City

of Brownsville has requested that Mayor Trey Mendez be considered to fill the Treasurer position. With this change the revised slate for the 2020-2021 Executive Committee is as follows:

OFFICE	NAME	COUNTY
President	Mayor Jim Darling	Hidalgo
1st Vice President	Judge Aurelio Guerra	Willacy
2nd Vice President	Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez	Hidalgo
Secretary	Mayor Chris Boswell	Cameron
Treasurer	Mayor Trey Mendez	Cameron
Immediate Past President	Mayor David Suarez	Hidalgo

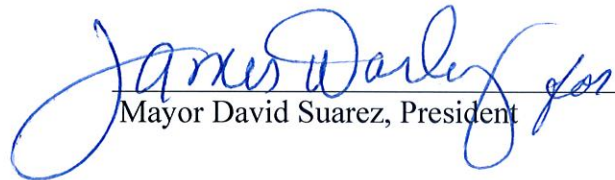
Mayor Chris Boswell made a motion to accept this slate of acclamation and to pass a resolution honoring Ms. Norma G. Garcia for her years of service on the Executive Committee. Mayor David Suarez seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

President Suarez then passed the gavel to newly elected President Darling.

President Darling moved to item #6. – New or Unfinished Business; there being no further business to come before the General Membership ***the meeting was adjourned at 12:21 pm.***

ATTEST:


Deborah Morales, Recording Secretary


Mayor David Suarez, President